

## **Honored women lawyers include Tulane law graduates**

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More than 40 Tulane University law alumnae, including Marian Mayer Berkett, a 1937 Tulane Law School graduate, are among the pioneers being honored at the New Orleans Bar Association's first "Barristers for Brunch" event Thursday (March 20).



Marian Mayer Berkett, a 1937 Tulane Law School graduate, is one of the 40-plus Tulane law graduates who will be honored by the New Orleans Bar Association on Thursday (March 20). (Photo by Rusty Costanza)

Starting with the late Bettie Runnels in 1898 and Florence Loeber in 1904, female graduates of Tulane Law School have played a major and influential role in diversifying the legal profession.

Tulanians include women from every decade, such as Claire Loeb (1924), Berkett (1937), Dorothy D. Wolbrette (1945), Adelaide W. Benjamin (1956), Phyllis M. Taylor (1966), Cynthia Ann Samuel (1973) and more.

The bar's Women in the Profession Committee organized the event to recognize the first 100 women lawyers in the New Orleans community. The program, co-sponsored by Tulane Law School, is scheduled for 11 a.m. at the Sheraton Hotel's Gallery Ballroom, 500 Canal St., New Orleans.

The [list of honorees](#), who were licensed and practiced in the New Orleans area, spans 1898 through April 1974.

For more information about the event, contact the New Orleans Bar Association at 504-525-7453.

Tulane law graduates being honored are:

Bettie Runnels  
Florence Loeber  
Claire Loeb  
Juanita Tansey Parker  
Marian Meyer Berkett  
Marjorie Smith Zengel  
Beverly Jewel Hess  
Elizabeth Ridnour Haak  
Kathlyn M. Roome  
Aline Nobile Thompson  
Marjorie L. Jackson  
Dorothy D. Wolbrette  
Anna Andollina  
Lynn Piazza Jackson  
Nadia St. Paul Moise  
Louise Schramm Korn  
June B. Cahn  
Adelaide W. Benjamin  
Margot L. Mazeau  
Elizabeth Spink Karmazin  
Gloria Irvine  
Mildred L. Krieger  
Margaret Cleve Spedale  
Brenda Gail McDonough  
Joy S. Miller  
Phyllis M. Taylor  
Camille Jones Strachan  
Alma L Chasez  
Norris S. L. Williams  
Adriel G. Arceneaux  
Janice Martin Foster

Sharon A. Perlis  
J. Donice Alverson  
Janet Wessler Marshall  
Patricia A. Mathes  
Edith Brown Clement  
Ann H. Stafford  
Cynthia Ann Samuel  
Janice L. Gonzales  
Kathleen S. Plemer  
Cynthia Anne Wegmann  
Cheryl B. Horton  
Ann G. Roy