



## NEW YORK STATE ATTORNEY GENERAL ERIC SCHNEIDERMAN TO BE FEATURED SPEAKER AT 20TH ANNUAL ENTERTAINMENT LAW INITIATIVE® EVENT & SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTATION RECORDING ACADEMY™ TO HIGHLIGHT THE WORK OF PROMISING LAW STUDENTS DURING GRAMMY® WEEK

**WHO:** The 20th annual **Entertainment Law Initiative® Event & Scholarship Presentation** will take place during GRAMMY® Week. New York State Attorney General Eric Schneiderman will be a featured speaker. Attorney General Schneiderman is the highest-ranking law enforcement officer for the state of New York. He has led the fight to protect New Yorkers by suing to block the travel bans, leading a coalition to defend the Clean Power Plan, intervening to defend the Affordable Care Act, and defending the rights of sanctuary cities. His efforts curtailed ticket scalping in New York, protecting artists and fans and securing nearly \$7 million dollars in settlements from ticket brokers thus far. He is also an avid jazz enthusiast and music preservation advocate.

**WHAT:** The Entertainment Law Initiative Event is the nation's preeminent gathering for entertainment attorneys, and it provides a forum for the industry to honor its own practitioners, hear from legal thought leaders, and support promising law students interested in entertainment law. **Individual tickets for the Entertainment Law Initiative event are now on sale. Visit [www.grammy.com/entertainment-law-initiative](http://www.grammy.com/entertainment-law-initiative) to purchase tickets.** Sponsorship/multi-ticket packages are also still available by contacting Neil Crilly at [neil.crilly@grammy.com](mailto:neil.crilly@grammy.com).

This annual program also includes a Writing Competition that invites law students to write a 3,000-word paper on a compelling legal topic facing the music industry today. A **\$10,000 scholarship** will be awarded to the author of the **winning paper**, and a **\$2,500 scholarship** will be awarded to the **runner-up**. **In addition, the winner will receive travel and tickets to various 60th Annual GRAMMY Awards® events.** The GRAMMY Awards will be held at Madison Square Garden in New York on Sunday, Jan. 28, 2018. The telecast will be broadcast live on the CBS Television Network at 7:30 p.m. ET/4:30 p.m. PT. For complete contest rules, visit [www.grammy.com/entertainment-law-initiative](http://www.grammy.com/entertainment-law-initiative). For further questions, email [eli@grammy.com](mailto:eli@grammy.com).

**WHEN: Friday, Jan. 26, 2018**

10:30 a.m.	Media Check-In ( <b>note new time</b> )
11 a.m.	Reception and Media Interviews
12:15 p.m.	Award Presentations, Featured Speaker
1:30 p.m.	Post-reception



**WHERE:** New World Stages at Worldwide Plaza  
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**IMPORTANT INFORMATION:** If you are interested in covering this event, you **MUST** request credentials no later than 6 p.m. PT on Thursday, Jan. 18, 2018. Credentials can be picked up at media check-in on the day of the event. **MEDIA MUST BE CREDENTIALLED.** All satellite truck/van parking must be coordinated no later than Thursday, Jan. 18.

#### **ABOUT THE RECORDING ACADEMY**

The Recording Academy represents the voices of performers, songwriters, producers, engineers, and all music professionals. Dedicated to ensuring the recording arts remain a thriving part of our shared cultural heritage, the Academy honors music's history while investing in its future through the GRAMMY Museum<sup>®</sup>, advocates on behalf of music creators, supports music people in times of need through MusiCares<sup>®</sup>, and celebrates artistic excellence through the GRAMMY Awards—music's only peer-recognized accolade and highest achievement. As the world's leading society of music professionals, we work year-round to foster a more inspiring world for creators.

For more information about the Academy, please visit [www.grammy.com](http://www.grammy.com). For breaking news and exclusive content, follow @RecordingAcad on [Twitter](#), "like" Recording Academy on [Facebook](#), and join the Recording Academy's social communities on [Instagram](#), [Tumblr](#), and [YouTube](#).

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