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Third-year student Cristina Manzano has won the 2016 Association of Corporate Counsel, Northeast Chapter (ACC-NE) Ethics Award. The award was given out at the ACC-NE awards dinner, held at the Institute of Contemporary Art in Boston on April 25.

Manzano, who was one of two BC Law students chosen for the School’s joint Immigration Clinic/Juvenile Rights Advocacy Project clinical experience, was recommended for the award by professor and clinical supervisor Mary Holper.

Manzano "not only thoughtfully analyzed every ethical issue that arose in her cases, but she also shared her ability to work through difficult ethical issues with her classmates,” Holper wrote in her letter. "In each of these decisions, Cristina thought through important ethical principles such as candor to the tribunal, zealous advocacy, and her commitment to maintain client confidentiality...she became a leader in the clinic group for her ability to assist students in working through their ethical dilemmas."

The ACC-NE chapter’s awards program recognizes and encourages the ethical practice of law at the earliest stages of a young lawyer’s professional career. It also shines a spotlight on ethics more generally, demonstrating that the legal community values lawyers who are guided by ethical principles. The award, which includes a $1,000 scholarship, is given to one student from each participating local law school who has demonstrated an early commitment to ethics as recognized by the school’s faculty.