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NAACP Honors TMSL Alum, Anthony W. Hall, Jr. and the Earl Carl Institute for Legal and Social Policy, Inc.



The NAACP Houston Branch will honor TMSL alum, **Anthony W. Hall, Jr.** with the *Mickey Leland Humanitarian Award* and The Earl Carl Institute for Legal & Social Policy with the *President's Award* at its Annual Freedom Fund Awards Gala to be held Friday, October 30, 2015 at the Hilton Americas Hotel in Houston Texas.

Mr. Hall is a 1982 TMSL graduate that has dedicated over half a century to community and civic service. He is a well respected attorney. He has been a public servant for many years having served as a Texas State Representative from 1973 to 1979, on the Houston City Council from 1979 to 1989, and as chairman of the board for the Metropolitan Transit Authority in 1990 while a partner in the law firm Jackson Walker, LLP. Hall served as the City Attorney for Houston from 1998-2004 and as the Chief Administrative Officer for the City of Houston from 2004-2010.

Although Hall's stellar legal career is quite impressive, this award is even more fitting because of his continued service to many civic organizations and corporations. Hall serves on the Board of El Paso Corporation; was named Chairman of the Board of the Houston Endowment, Inc. in 2010; a past member of the Board of Coastal Corporation; and presently serves as the Chairman of the Board of the Boulé Foundation.



The **Earl Carl Institute for Legal and Social Policy, Inc.** was established in 1992 by Professor Marcia Johnson as a research and writing think tank at the Thurgood Marshall School of Law. It is a non-profit corporation exempt from taxation pursuant to §501(c)(3), of the Internal Revenue Code.

The Institute was named in honor of Professor Earl Carl, a founding faculty member of the law school. Professor Carl, blind from an early age, graduated from Fisk University before going on to earn his law degree from Yale University Law School. He is a human symbol that people can accomplish whatever they are willing to despite all odds. His achievements remind us that we are limited only by the barriers we chose not to overcome.

The Earl Carl Institute serves as an advocacy organization, which seeks to identify, address and offer solutions to issues that affect traditionally urban and disenfranchised communities. The Institute is specifically designed to provide resources to train Thurgood Marshall students in legal advocacy and enhance their research and writing skills. Through the students' research, position papers and other publications, the Institute promotes civil and human rights. The Institute's mission is to help solve the legal and social problems facing the urban community through scholarship and advocacy. TMSL Congratulates both the Anthony W. Hall Jr. and the Earl Carl Institute on these outstanding awards.



FACULTY HIGHLIGHTS



Professor Lupe S. Salinas, Eugene Harrington Professor of Law, served as a panel moderator at the 40th Annual Convention of the Hispanic National Bar Association in Boston, MA (held on September 4, 2015). The panel, entitled *Police Excessive Force Policies: Have US Latinos Become the Invisible Majority?*, addressed an issue to which Professor Salinas dedicated an entire chapter in his book, *US Latinos and Criminal Injustice* (MSU Press 2015). As the moderator, Professor Salinas discussed the rapid growth of the Latino population and how this led Latinos to become the largest minority group in the nation. Yet, notwithstanding this growth, Professor Salinas added that the lack of official responses in several obvious cases involving police excessive force leads an objective viewer to conclude that the Latino population is in fact being treated as an “invisible majority,” at least among the usual and dominant minority victims of police brutality. The panelists addressed available criminal and civil remedies for violations of civil rights, including those resulting in death. In addition, they discussed federal remedies that the Department of Justice can negotiate with police departments that have a pattern of excessive force usage and discriminatory policing. The panelists included: Martin R. “Marty” Castro, the first Latino Chairperson of the US Commission on Civil Rights upon his appointment by President Barack Obama, D. Scott Martinez, the City Attorney for Denver, CO, and Steven Chavez, a civil rights attorney and the Chair of the Civil Rights Section for the HNBA.



Professor Sally Green’s article, *Realistic Opportunity for Release Equals Rehabilitation: How the States Must Provide Meaningful Opportunity for Release*, 16 BERKELEY J. CRIM. L. 1 (2011), was recently cited and discussed in an appellate brief submitted by Attorney Daniel R. Goggin to the Wisconsin Court of Appeals. In his appellate brief, Goggin emphasizes Professor Green’s position that the reduction of rehabilitative options for youthful offenders is inconsistent with a child’s Eighth Amendment protections. The appellate brief and discussion of Professor Green’s article is available on Westlaw at 2015 WL 4658942.

Professor Sally Green accepted an invitation to speak at the “Defending Juveniles” seminar sponsored by the Texas Criminal Defense Lawyers Association and held September 10-11, 2015. Professor Green’s presentation title was “Juveniles Really Are Different So Says the Court: Gault to Graham.”

Professor Lydia Johnson will serve as co-chair of the Work-in-Progress Committee for the upcoming Southeast/Southwest People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, to be hosted by Florida A&M University School of Law in February 2016.





FACULTY HIGHLIGHTS *Cont'd.*



Professor SpearIt presented his work, *Scientific Sentencing: Recalibrating with Research Based on Defendant Attributes*, at the Texas Legal Scholars Workshop at the University of Houston Law Center on August 28-29. He recently accepted an offer from the University of Massachusetts Law

Review to publish his work *Keeping it REAL: Why Congress Must Act to Restore Pell Grant Funding for Prisoners*, as well as an offer from the Florida International University Law Review to publish *Sonic Jihad: Muslim Hip Hop in the Age of Mass Incarceration*. Professor SpearIt has also accepted an offer to contribute a chapter to the book, *Experiential Education Across the Curriculum*, published by Carolina Academic Press, which is co-authored with Professor Stephanie Ledesma.

Professor L. Darnell Weeden's article entitled *Local Laws v Restricting the Freedom of Undocumented Immigrants as Violations of Equal Protection and Principles of Federal Preemption*, 52 [ST. LOUIS U. L.J.](#) 479, 481-82 (2008), was recently cited by Scott Stottlemire in the *Journal of Gender, Race and Justice* in a student note entitled *Strict Scrutiny For Undocumented Childhood Arrivals*, 18 *J. Gender Race & Just.* 289, 295 (2015). While discussing *U.S. v. Carolene Products* and its footnote four, Stottlemire cited Professor Weeden's article to advance the theory that this footnote provides much of the conceptual basis and precedential justification for review of equal protection claims under the framework of suspect and quasi-suspect classes by isolating "discrete and insular minorities" for particular judicial protection.



Professor Shaundra Lewis accepted an offer to publish her article, *The Cost of Raising a Killer—Parental Liability for the Parents of Adult Mass Murderers*, as the lead article in the *Villanova Law Review* (Volume 61/Issue 1). This article explores whether the parents of an

adult mass shooter can be held civilly liable for that shooter's crime under general, common law negligence principles. The article evaluates and expounds upon parental negligence law and ultimately concludes that parents can be civilly culpable for their emancipated offspring's mass killing under certain circumstances.

Professor Maurice Hew, Jr. was recognized as a "Goodfella" for his critical role in ending human sex and forced labor trafficking against women and children by the Tahirih Justice Center at its annual gala to be held on September 26, 2015. The Tahirih Justice Center is a national nonprofit organization that protects women and girls who refuse to be victims of violence by providing holistic legal services and advocacy in courts, communities, and Congress.





FACULTY HIGHLIGHTS *Cont'd.*



Professor Stephanie Ledesma presented her work-in-progress, *The Importance of Competent Legal Counsel in Protecting Due Process Rights of Families: Dismantling Ethnic and Racial Disproportionality in the Child Welfare System*, at the NACC 38th National Child Welfare, Juvenile, and Family Law Conference held in Monterrey, California in August 2015. Both legislators

and practitioners attended this national conference. Additionally, Professor Ledesma will present on the disproportionality of the child welfare system at an upcoming summit sponsored by the Earl Carl Institute for Legal & Social Policy, “Black Youth Matter: What Today’s Data Spells for Tomorrow’s Futures,” which is part of the Institute’s 2015 Youth Disproportionality Summit (September 25, 2015). Lastly, Professor Ledesma has agreed to serve as an inaugural member of a joint committee consisting of representatives from the American Bar Association, the Office of Civil Rights/the Department of Justice, and other stakeholders, as they work to frame the disproportionality seen in the child welfare system as a civil rights issue.

Professor Ahunanya Anga’s article, *Electronic Data Discovery Sanctions: The Unmapped, Unwinding, Meandering Road, And The Court’s Role In Steady-ing The Playing Field*, 50 San Diego L. Rev. 621 (2013), was cited in a treatise on California discovery rules, 2 Witkin Cal. Evid., Discovery § 30, at 67 (5th ed. 2012). This same article was also cited by Alexander Nourse Gross in his student note, *A Safe Harbor from Spoliation Sanctions: Can an Amended Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 37(e) Protect Producing Parties?*, 2015 Colum. Bus. L. Rev. 705, 722 n.68 (2015). Professor Anga’s article, *Jury Misconduct:*



Can Courts Enforce A Social Media And Internet Free Process? We “Tweet,” Not, 18 J. Tech. L. & Pol’y 265, was cited by F. Daniel Balmert, a partner in the Vorys, Slater, Seymour, and Pease law firm, in his presentation before the Federal Bar Association and the Akron Bar Association. In his presentation, titled “When Jurors Cross The Line Online,” Balmert used several solutions provided in Professor Anga’s article to curb juror misconduct involving social media and the internet. Balmert is the Chairman of an ad hoc committee comprised of members from four defense bar organizations: the Association of Defense Trial Attorneys, DRI (the Voice of the Defense Bar), the International Association of Defense Counsel, and the Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel. This committee will study juror internet misconduct, its implication on the judicial system, and possible solutions. Lastly, Professor Anga’s article, *Jury Misconduct: Can Courts Enforce A Social Media And Internet Free Process? We “Tweet,” Not*, was also cited in a video clip produced by Georgia Linnell (a media student) titled, “Juries and Social Media.” The video clip (which can be accessed on YouTube) is an exploration into the relationship between the Australian jury system and the emergence of social media.





CLINIC NEWS

Student attorneys from the Wills, Probate, & Guardianship Clinic were successful in securing a judgment for their client in Fort Bend County Court at Law, No. 3. Law students, **Amy Greenbaum, Evette Ugues, Stacy Johnson, Kris Hinojosa, and Jason Miller**, prevailed in a three year old case, where the court—after a two day trial—admitted to probate a copy of a holographic will and ruled the client was an heir, by and through the equitable remedy of adoption by estoppel. During post-trial reflections, the students commented on the substantive and procedural laws they learned during their 1L and 2L years and how the knowledge they gained in the following courses: Evidence, Trial Simulation, Legal Writing and Research, and Wills, Trusts, and Estates provided them with the foundation to handle a case such as this.

Singled out for praise were the following professors: **Professor Carrington, Professor Kellum-Lewis, Professor Anga, Professor SpearIt, Professor Walker, and Professor Otero**. The students did well because of the team effort in their preparation.

Under **Professor Hew's** supervision, clinic students have filed successful U visas for crime victims, T visas for victims of human trafficking, and Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) applications before the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services and quasi-administrative court agencies. Notably, one of Professor Hew's clinic students successfully applied the VAWA for a male client, as the law is gender neutral.

Criminal Law Clinic students, **Roberto Quijano and Akeem Ayinde** read the 14th Amendment for Constitution Day with HCCLA members at the Criminal Justice Center. (See pictures below)





EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING NEWS



The Experiential Learning Program cordially invites you to the 1st *Annual Fall Collaborative Experiential Learning Open House*.

The event will take place on **Wednesday, October 21, 2015 from 12 noon to 2:00 p.m. in the TMSL Moot Court room 105 and in the Lobby of the Law School**

The Externship Program; the Earl Carl Institute, (ECI); the Innocence Project of the ECI; the Legal Clinics; the Texas Legislative Internship Program, (TLIP) and the Mock Trial and Moot Court programs will offer information about each of their programs. Immediately, following this information session each program will have a table set up with representatives in the lobby for students to get more information; have their questions answered; sign up for interviews; and learn more about experiential opportunities

at TMSL.

This is a “brown-bag” event so please feel free to bring your lunch.

If you have additional questions about this event or the Experiential Learning Department at TMSL, please contact Professor Stephanie Smith Ledesma, MA, JD, CWLS at X1105; Room 236F; or stephanie@ledesma-law.com.





FROM THE OFFICE OF CAREER SERVICES



Dear Students and Alumni:

We invite you to visit the TMSL Career Services Office or browse the Career Services Web page to learn about the services we provide. CSO is one of the most essential tools students and graduates can utilize toward a successful job search. Our office provides many service including those highlighted below.

Career Services Office

The Career Services Office offers students and alumni a complete and comprehensive range of career-related resources whose core and centerpiece is individual counseling for ongoing guidance through the self-directed job search process, support in considering options and choosing a career path, and simply obtaining an answer to a “quick question.” Additionally, each year CSO presents career development seminars and workshops on a variety of topics.

CSO Publications and the CSO Career Research Room

The CSO Career Research Room offers brief, printed guides to writing resumes, interviewing networking, appropriate business etiquette and dress attire for every professional legal occasion, judicial clerkships, and numerous subtopics of legal career development. The Research Room also provides employer directories, firm evaluations, public interest and government materials, information on legal practice areas, fellowships and internships, and federal, state, and local judicial clerkships. Please contact CSO with your individualized concerns.

Internet Resources/Computer Work Stations

The internet is an essential tool for an effective job search. Computer work stations are available for student use in the CSO Career Research Room. These workstations should be utilized for career related tasks.

Use of the CSO Fax Machine and Telephone

Students and alumni may use the fax machine in the CSO for job search purposes free of charge. Students requiring privacy for a job-related telephone conversation and/or interview may use one of the CSO interview rooms for this purpose, though they will be expected to use a personal long-distance account or calling card to pay for long distance calls.

Thank you in advance for considering Thurgood Marshall School of Law for your hiring needs.

Sincerely,

Yolanda Jarmon-Morgan, Esq.
Assistant Dean for Career Services



STUDENT NEWS

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT: CYRIL WESTCOTT OMWIRHIREN



Featured in this month's Student Spotlight is TMSL 3L, Cyril-Westcott Omwirhiren. During the summer of 2015 Mr. Omwirhiren clerked for the 14th Court of Appeals for the Honorable William J. Boyce. Recently, he was congratulated on work well done for an opinion that he drafted in a case on appeal from the County Criminal Court at Law Number 15 of Harris County, Texas. He was notified by the Court that the opinion will be published "essentially as he wrote it." Please join us in congratulating Mr. Omwirhiren for demonstrating the superior legal skills that he has acquired at TMSL.

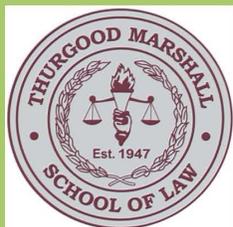
Mr. Omwirhiren is also a demonstrated leader in the TMSL community. He recently established a new student organization called Thurgood Marshall Court. He would like the TMSL family to stay tuned for their next big event where some of the cases argued by Thurgood Marshall as counsel or authored by him as a Supreme Court Justice. We look forward to hearing great things from this new organization.





STUDENT NEWS Cont.—FROM TMSL SBA

SBA: UPCOMING STUDENT EVENTS



Class of 2016

Class of 2017

Class of 2018



SEPTEMBER 2015

ALSA

African Law Students Association is assisting in one of the biggest opportunities for students! Students are invited to participate as presenters in the Fall Energy Symposium: Looming Energy Battles: Law, Economics, & Geopolitics. This two day event takes place **October 1 & 2**. Various prominent individuals in the energy field will be speaking, making this an amazing networking opportunity! Students interested in coming must be dressed in business professional attire. For any additional concerns, please get in touch with **Professor Emeka Duruigbo**.



TMSL: Law Journal on Gender, Race, & Justice

Thurgood Marshall School of Law Journal on Gender, Race, & Justice is partnering with 3L+ Practice Pro to help fund full scholarships for first-year law students to participate in the 1L Diversity Scholarship Program.

The Diversity Scholarship Program is an all-inclusive training and coaching program, striving to help train practice-ready diverse attorneys. The first-year law students who are accepted into the Program will attend training seminars and conferences to learn substantive and soft skills that are beneficial to attorneys in their early years of practice. The Program also provides scholarship recipients with career coaching to demystify the different transitions in their professional careers and help them navigate law school, interviews, networking, and long-term career planning.

On October 1, 2015, we invite you to come learn about available scholarships, as well as real life professional practice skills, all while enjoying some good food! We hope to see you there.

Date: October 1, 2015
Time: 12-1 pm
Room: TMSL 106-107



ALUMNI NEWS ALUMNI IN THE NEWS

TMSL Alumna, CC Carletos-Drayton Named Shareholder, Baker Donelson



After only 16 years of practicing law, CC Carletos-Drayton, TMSL Class of 1999, retires from the City Attorney's office as managing attorney of the transactional department (Memphis, TN) and joins, Baker Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz, PC's Memphis, TN office as a shareholder, practicing in its real estate group. Her focus will primarily be on economic development and environmental law with particular emphasis on water quality and industrial discharges, National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permits, sewer systems and storm water infrastructure.

CC's stellar performance in law school; her extensive experience in government contracting and other areas of transactional law; and the numerous civil cases she has litigated in both federal and state courts are just examples of why retirement for her does not just involve traveling the world. She obviously has more legal excellence to contribute and we know that CC will continue to shine within the legal community.

TMSL Alumna, Joy Fitzgerald, Directs City of Atlanta's \$30 Million HUD Grant

Atlanta Mayor, Kasim Reed and Secretary Julián Castro announced that the City of Atlanta was selected to receive a \$30 million HUD Choice Neighborhood grant. TMSL alumna **Joy Fitzgerald**, Class of 1977 was the project director for this grant which was a three year process. This grant will allow the City of Atlanta and the Atlanta Housing Authority to partner with the private and public sector to invigorate areas around Morehouse College, Spelman College, the Atlanta University Center, and other west Atlanta neighborhoods. Joy Fitzgerald presently serves as the Interim President and CEO for the Atlanta Housing Authority.





ALUMNI NEWS ALUMNI ON THE MOVE

TMSL Alum, David Perwin Appointed to Ft. Bend New Family Law Court



Texas Governor Greg Abbott appointed **David Perwin**, TMSL Class of 1998, as judge of the new Fort Bend County Family Law court, 505th Judicial District. Perwin previously served as associate judge in the 387th Judicial District court in Fort Bend and a sole practitioner, practicing in family law.

TMSL Alums Announce Candidacy

The following TMSL alums announce their candidacy in upcoming elections: **Bernie Aldape III**, TMSL Class of 2012 (Texas State Representative District 144), **Javan Patton**, TMSL Class of 2007 (Jefferson County- 10th Judicial Circuit Judge, Place 4), **Rabeea Collier**, TMSL Class of 2006 (Harris County 11th Judicial District Court Judge).

BERNIE
ALDAPE III
for
STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 144



Elect
Javan PATTON
10th Judicial Circuit Seat 4
Passion ★★★ *Equality* ★★★ *Integrity* ★★★ *Progress*



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COLLIER
FOR 11TH CIVIL DISTRICT COURT JUDGE



Dear Friend of Texas Southern Tigers,

Texas Southern University has a rich academic and cultural history shaped and supported by a host of companies and organizations. We appreciate your contribution to that legacy and are presenting another opportunity for your company or organization to make a difference.

Texas Southern University was a springboard for more than 85 football players to leap into the National Football League (NFL). Legends such as Winston Hill (New York Jets), Kenny Burrough (Houston Oilers), Lloyd Mumphord (the undefeated 1972 Super Bowl Champion Miami Dolphins, Pro Football Hall of Famer Michael Strahan (Super Bowl Champion New York Giants) and Tray Walker (Baltimore Ravens 2015 Draft Pick) are just some of the athletes who have called TSU home and advanced to the NFL.

We will honor our alumni with *Tigers in the NFL – A First and Goal Celebration* at 6:30 p.m., on Friday, October 23, 2015, as part of Homecoming Weekend. The two-day tribute will include an honor celebration, parade and recognition during the Homecoming football game at BBVA Compass Stadium between rival 'cats' – the Mighty TSU Tigers vs. the Southern Jaguars.

Your support for this once-in-a-lifetime event will place your brand in front of 10,000 TSU students and 30,000 alumni, friends and supporters. Also, your participation will make it possible for Texas Southern to continue its effort into becoming a pre-eminent, comprehensive metropolitan university. Proceeds from this celebration will support our student success projects and scholarships. Come celebrate with us while supporting quality education for TSU students by becoming a sponsor for **Tigers on the NFL Stage – A First and Goal Celebration**.

We are offering a range of underwriting opportunities:

- ◆ **Touchdown - \$50,000 level**
- ◆ **Field Goal - \$25,000 level**
- ◆ **First and Goal - \$15,000 level**
- ◆ **First Down Sponsor - \$10,000 level**
- ◆ **Kickoff Sponsor - \$5,000 level**

The benefits of each sponsorship tier is outlined on the panel at right and in the sponsorship packet. We hope that you will honor us with your presence at this exciting event. Your involvement will help TSU continue to advance the mission of our dynamic institution and have a positive impact on the lives of our students.

On behalf of the entire Texas Southern University community, thank you for considering this invitation to become a major sponsor and thanks for caring. Please contact the Office of Marketing and Communications for more information or a customized package. We can be reached by contacting Eva Pickens at 713-313-4205 or pickensek@tsu.edu.

Sincerely

John M. Rudley
John M. Rudley, President



SPONSORSHIP PACKAGES

Touchdown - \$50,000

- Two Goalpost tables for 10
- 20 invitations to private Honorees Reception
- Photo opportunity with Honorees
- Logo placement on event backdrop signage
- Company logo in all event marketing and promotional materials
- Full page ad in souvenir publication
- Sponsor listing in souvenir publication
- Recognition as Lead Sponsor for the event
- Recognition on KTSU Radio station
- Listing in TSU's Annual Report

Field Goal - \$25,000

- One Big Kick table for 10
- Ten invitations to private Honorees Reception

- Logo placement on event backdrop signage
- Company logo in all event marketing and promotional materials
- 1/2 page recognition in souvenir publication
- Sponsor listing in souvenir publication
- Recognition on KTSU Radio station
- Listing in TSU's Annual Report

First and Goal Sponsor - \$15,000

- One Game Ball table for 10
- Ten invitations to private Honorees Reception
- Logo placement on event backdrop signage
- Company logo in all event marketing and promotional materials
- 1/4 page recognition in souvenir publication

- Sponsor listing in souvenir publication
- Recognition on KTSU Radio station
- Listing in TSU's Annual Report

First Down - \$10,000

- One Record Holder table for 10
- Ten invitations to private Honorees Reception
- Sponsor listing in souvenir publication
- Listing in TSU's Annual Report

Kickoff - \$5,000

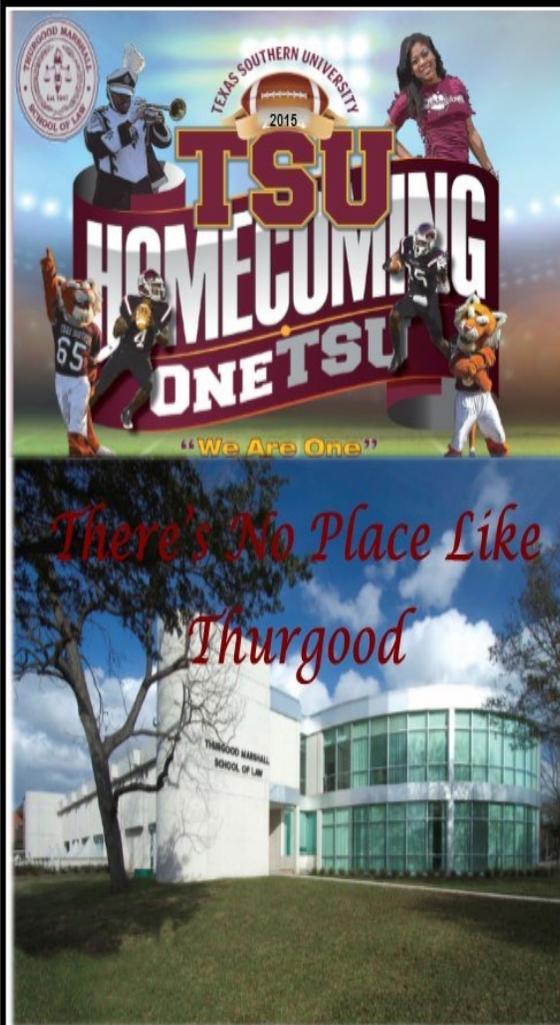
- One Big Fan table for 10
- Sponsor listing in souvenir

Maroon Zone -Tiger Fans - \$250

- Ticket to event



UPCOMING EVENTS



Thurgood Marshall School of Law &

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Cordially invite you to join us for the

Save the Date

October 22-25, 2015

TMSL/TSU Reunion and Homecoming Events

October 22nd

TSU/TMSL Annual Homecoming Reception

October 23rd

TMSL Reunion Registration

TMSL Alumni Board Annual Meeting

Human Trafficking CLE

TSU Annual Alumni Awards Reception

October 24th

Homecoming Student and Alumni Community Service Project

TMSL Annual Tailgate BBQ

TMSL and the Class of 1985 Homecoming Afterglow

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Go to: www.tinyurl.com/tmsleventregistration and scroll down to your class page.

TMSL Class Reunion 2015

Classes of 1950, 1955, 1960, 1965, 1970, 1975, 1980, 1985, 1990, 1995, 2000, 2005, 2010



UPCOMING EVENTS *Cont'd.*



TMSL ALUMNI ANNUAL BOARD MEETING

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2015

9:00 AM—12:30 PM



THURGOOD MARSHALL SCHOOL OF LAW
DEAN'S CONFERENCE ROOM
3100 CLEBURNE ST.
HOUSTON, TX 77004



UPCOMING EVENTS *Cont'd.*



THURGOOD MARSHALL SCHOOL OF LAW CLINICAL LEGAL STUDIES PROGRAM

CRIMINAL LAW CLINIC COMMUNITY SERVICE

EX PUNC -TION



Saturday, October, 3rd 2015

9:30 am – 2:00 pm

Fallbrook Community Church

12512 Walters Road
Houston, TX 77014

Spanish assistance will be
provided.



UPCOMING EVENTS *Cont'd.*



TEXAS SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY

**TIGERS
IN THE NFL**

A FIRST AND GOAL CELEBRATION

**6:30 P.M. • FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2015
H&PE ARENA**

Corpus Christi Area Alumni & Friends Golf Classic

**TSU-Thurgood Marshall School of Law Golf Tournament
Scholarship Fundraiser**

Date: Friday, November 6, 2015

8:00 a.m. Shotgun

**Northshore Country Club
801 East Broadway Ave.
Portland, Texas 78374**

Go to www.tsulaw.edu for sponsorship and for more information or call Office of External Affairs (713)313-1197

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The Honorable Robert Vargas





UPCOMING CLES *Cont'd.*

Texas Southern University THURGOOD MARSHALL SCHOOL OF LAW & the INSTITUTE FOR INTERNATIONAL AND IMMIGRATION LAW

Co-Sponsors: Oil and Gas Law Society and TMSL's Center For Continuing Legal Education

Save the Date

Fall 2015 Energy Symposium

Looming Energy Battles: Law, Economics and Geopolitics

October 1-2, 2015 (Thursday-Friday)

Thurgood Marshall School of Law

**3100 Cleburne St.
Houston, TX 77004
Rooms 105-106**

The symposium will examine pending and impending conflicts and controversies in the energy world, encompassing the oil, natural gas, renewable energy and electricity industries. It will cover frictions in relations among the major players including national oil companies and international oil companies as well as tensions between exporting and importing countries. Contests among local, state and federal authorities over regulation of oil and gas development will also merit attention.

Register Online: www.tinyurl.com/tmsleventregistration or Pay on-site

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Texas Southern University Thurgood Marshall School of Law



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Dallas, TX 75219

For more information, please
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Friday, October 9, 2015

TIME

12:00 p.m.—4:00 pm

COST

\$100.00 attorneys;

\$30.00 gov't attorneys and
non-profit attorneys

Free: non-attorneys

MCLE: 4.0~Ethics: 1.0

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UPCOMING CLES *Cont'd.*

Texas Southern University
THURGOOD MARSHALL SCHOOL OF LAW

Co-Sponsors: The Earl Carl Institute's Center for Criminal Justice, TMSL's Death Penalty Awareness Society, TMSL's Civil Rights Law Society and the Texas Defender Services

Death Penalty Practicum: Revisiting the Death Penalty 40 Years after *Jurek*

Lunch Speaker: Sister Helen Prejean
Author of Dead Man Walking



Thurgood Marshall School of Law
3100 Cleburne St.
Houston, TX 77004
Rooms 105-107
Tuesday, October 13, 2015
9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

\$10.00 Luncheon Participants ONLY
RSVP REQUIRED

Attorney Cost: \$100.00
Gov't Attorneys & Non-profit Attorneys: \$20.00
MCLE: 7.00 Hrs. ~ Ethics: 2.00 Hr.

Register Online: www.tinyurl.com/tmsleventregistration or Pay on-site

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Understanding the Invisible Chains of Human Trafficking



Presented by: *TSU-Thurgood Marshall School of Law and YWCA Houston*



Thurgood Marshall School of Law

Rooms 105-106

October 23, 2015

8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

Cost: \$100.00 attorneys; \$50.00 gov't employees & non-profit attorneys; \$30.00 non-attorneys

Complimentary TMSL Reunion Classes

MCLE Credits: 7.5 hrs. ~ Ethics Credits: 2.0 hrs.
Complimentary parking in the garage on Cleburne and Sampson

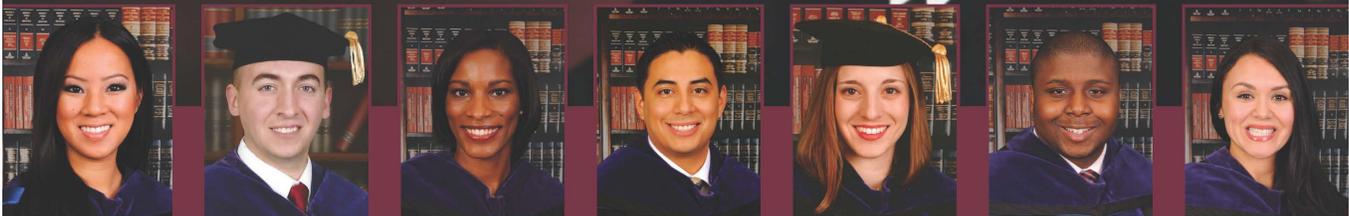
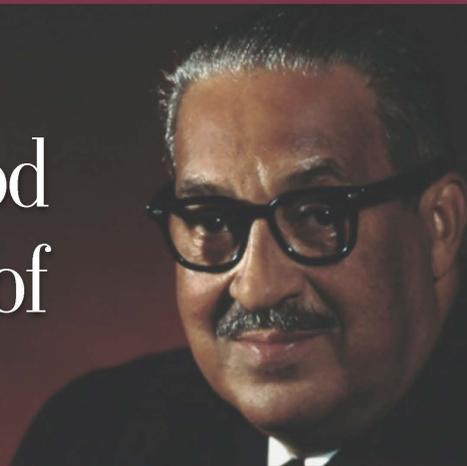
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Ten Reasons to Support Thurgood Marshall School of Law



1. Our Reputation

We are one of 15 law schools nationwide that has notably improved its reputation with lawyers and judges since 2012.

2. Our Advocacy Programs

In the last three years, our Mock Trial and Moot Court Teams have gained national recognition for the quality of their preparation and performance. Both teams have advanced to final rounds in national and regional competitions.

3. Our Valued Externships

Many of our third year students have successfully completed externships with the state supreme court, district judges, state legislators, First Lady of the United States Michelle Obama, and district and county attorney's offices.

4. Our National Recognition

Thurgood Marshall School of Law was admitted into the esteemed membership of the Association of American Law Schools (AALS) in January 2014. The Law School received a national vote of confidence

from the AALS in its direction, faculty, academic and accountability programs and most importantly, in its ability to engage with students to produce competitive and capable lawyers.

5. Our Bar Performance

In the last four years, our graduates have twice posted the best July bar exam performance in the history of our law school. The performance exceeds the national standard established as an accreditation requirement by the American Bar Association.

6. Our Regional Impact

With only 5% of total Texas law school enrollment, Thurgood Marshall School of Law, in the last five years, has produced 43% of all the newly licensed African-American attorneys in the state of Texas who are graduates from one of the nine Texas law schools.

7. Our Alumni

In 2011, we graduated our 1000th Hispanic-American. Our persistence in producing a substantial number of the attorneys who either practice, bring honor to the judiciary bench, or take on public service roles in South Texas is highly commendable.

8. Our Student Accomplishments

Our students continue to win and receive recognition for their participation and performance in legal writing competitions and other scholarly activities.

9. Our Diversity

For more than a decade, our Law School has been firmly established as one of the nation's most diverse law schools.

10. Our Mission, Our Vision, Our Values

For the last seven decades, Thurgood Marshall School of Law has been heralded as an institution of opportunity and inclusion that continues to rise on its standards of equality and excellence.



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EVENTS CALENDAR

OCTOBER 2015

October 1st

1L Skills Academy - OAS

Location: Thurgood Marshall School of Law

Time: 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

October 1st

Energy Symposium Dinner

Location: TBD

Time: 6:00 p.m.

October 1st and 2nd

3rd Annual Energy Symposium – CLE

TMSL Oil & Gas Society

Texas Southern University, Thurgood Marshall School of Law

Location: Thurgood Marshall School of Law

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Cost: Each day: \$105.00 attorneys; \$50 gov't and non-profit attorneys; complimentary non-attorneys

MCLE: 7.0 (each day)

Ethics: 1.0 (each day)

Register and pay online: www.tinyurl.com/tmsleventregistration

October 7th

TMSL Quodlibet Series, “Regulating For Profit Law Schools”- Professor Peter Marchetti

Location: Deans Conference Room

Time: 12:00 noon-1:30 p.m.

October 8th

1L Skills Academy - OAS

Location: Thurgood Marshall School of Law

Time: 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

October 9th

Family Law-CLE (Dallas)

Texas Southern University, Thurgood Marshall School of Law

Location: Pappadeaux Oaklawn

Time: 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Cost: \$100.00 attorneys; \$35.00 government and non-profit attorneys; complimentary non-attorneys

MCLE: 4.0

Ethics: 1.0

Register and pay online: www.tinyurl.com/tmsleventregistration

October 10th

Law School Recruitment Fair –Los Angeles, CA

Location: Millennium Biltmore Hotel

506 S. Grand Ave.

Los Angeles, CA 90071

Time: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

October 12th-16th

Midterm Examinations

October 13th

Death Penalty Practicum: Revisiting the Death Penalty 40 Years after Jurek - CLE

The Earl Carl Institute of Legal & Social Policy, Inc.

TMSL’s Death Penalty Awareness Society

TMSL’s Civil Rights Law Society

Texas Southern University, Thurgood Marshall School of Law

Location: Thurgood Marshall School of Law

Time: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

Cost: \$100 attorneys; \$20 government and non-profit attorneys; and complimentary non-attorneys

MCLE: 6.0

Ethics: 1.0

Register and pay online: www.tinyurl.com/tmsleventregistration

October 14th

SCALS Faculty Exchange Series – Professor Rebecca Nickell, Concordia University School of Law – *Reconciling the Performance of the Individual with the Performance of the Institution: How Normative Grading May Be Typing a Law School’s Bar Pass Rates to Its LSAT Profile and a Recipe for Breaking Free*

Location: Dean’s Conference Room

Time: 12:00 noon – 1:00 pm

Lunch provided

October 15th

2L/3L Bar Readiness- OAS

Location: Thurgood Marshall School of Law

Time: 12:00 pm – 12:45 pm

October 16th

Law School Recruitment Fair New York, NY

Location: Hilton New York

1335 Avenue of the Americas

New York, NY 10019

Time: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm



EVENTS CALENDAR *cont'd.*

October 19th

Law School Recruitment Fair Houston, TX

Location: Hyatt Regency
1200 Louisiana Street
Houston, TX 77002
Time: 10:00 am – 5:00 pm

October 21st

TMSL Legal Clinic Open House

Location: Legal Clinic
Time: 11:00 am – 2:00 pm

October 21st

1st Annual Fall Collaborative Experiential Learning Open House

Location: Moot Court Room
Time: 12:00 noon – 1:00 pm

October 21st

TMSL/TSU Interdisciplinary Bridges Series – Professor Ashraf Mozavani, Professor and Executive Director of Forensic Sciences, TSU School of Public Affairs (Administration of Justice). - Forensic Science in Criminal Law Cases: Importance, Strategy, and Challenges

Location: Dean's Conference Room
Time: 12:00 noon – 1:00 pm
Lunch provided

October 21st-25th

BESLA ANNUAL Meeting

Location: Hyatt Rose Hall
Montego Bay, Jamaica

October 22nd

Speaker: Everett Chambers, Vice President of Institutional Programs BARBRI

Location: Dean's Conference Room
Time: 12:00 noon
Lunch provided

October 23rd

Law School Recruitment Fair -ATLANTA

Location: Americas Mart Atlanta
240 Peachtree Street NW
Atlanta, GA 30303
Time: 12:00 noon – 7:00 pm

October 22nd – October 25th

TMSL/TSU Reunion & Homecoming

TMSL ALL Alumni Homecoming

Reunion Celebrating Classes 1950, 1955, 1960, 1965, 1970, 1975, 1980, 1985, 1990, 2000, 2005 & 2010

For more information go to: www.tsulaw.edu and www.tsu.edu
For class specific events, go to: www.tsulaw.edu

October 22nd

TMSL Annual Homecoming "Welcome Back" Reception

Location: Davis Street Restaurant
Penthouse
Time: 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

October 23rd

TMSL Reunion Registration

Location: TMSL Lobby
Time: 8:00am – 2:00pm

October 23rd

TMSL Alumni Board Annual Meeting

Location: Dean's Conference Room
Time: 9:00am – 12:30pm

October 23rd

Human Trafficking - Homecoming CLE

YWCA Houston, Texas Southern University, Thurgood Marshall School of Law

Location: Thurgood Marshall School of Law
Time: 8:30 am – 4:30 pm
Cost: \$100.00 attorneys; \$50.00 gov't and non-profit attorneys; \$30.00 non-attorneys
MCLE: 7.5
Ethics: 2.0
Register and pay online: www.tinyurl.com/tmsleventregistration

October 23rd

TSU Annual Alumni Awards Reception "Honoring Alumni in the NFL"

Location: HP& E Arena
Time: Reception – 6:30 pm / Celebration – 7:00 pm
Go to: www.tsu.edu for tickets and sponsorship opportunities



EVENTS CALENDAR *cont'd.*

October 24th

Homecoming Student & Alumni Community Service Project

Location: Third Ward Community
Time: 8:00 am—11:00 am

October 24th

TMSL Annual Tailgate BBQ

Location: TSU Pavillions
Time: 11:00am – 6:00pm

October 24th

Homecoming Game

Texas Southern University vs Southern University

Location: The BBVA Compass Stadium
Time: 2:00 pm

October 24th

Thurgood Marshall School of Law Reunion/Homecoming Afterglow

Location: Home of Dr. James M. Douglas
5318 Calhoun
Houston, TX 77021
Time: 8:00 pm – 2:00 am

October 28th & 29th

TMSL Scholar-in-Residence – Professor of Law and Chair of AALS Section on Women in Legal Education, D. Wendy Green, Cumberland School of Law (Samford University)

Location: Dean's Conference Room
Tentative Schedule: 1) Faculty Talk on Wednesday, October 28th @ 12:00 noon
"Hair Equality: Afro-descendant Women in the Americas and Their Struggles Against Hair Discrimination"; (2) Student/Community Presentation on Wednesday afternoon/evening- "(Re) Emerging Issues of (Constitutional Law) on Thursday, Oct. 29

October 29th

Law School Recruitment Fair Boston, MA

Location: Renaissance Boston Waterfront
606 Congress Street
Boston, MA 02210
Time: 12:00 noon – 7:00 pm

October 30th

NAACP Freedom Fund Banquet

Location: Hilton Americas
Houston, Texas
Time: 7:00 pm

October 31st

5th Annual Attorney Ricky Anderson Project Celebrity Golf Classic:

Thurgood Marshall School of Law Sports & Entertainment Law Society

Location: Hermann Park Golf Course
Time: 8:00 am shotgun
Cost: \$500 team of 4; \$125 a player;
Sponsorship: \$150 hole sponsor; \$1000 Tournament Sponsor

For more information and sponsorship opportunities, contact the Office of External Affairs (713) 313-1197 or prsmith@tmslaw.tsu.edu

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November 4th

Faculty Research Series: Sarah Guidry, Executive Director, Earl Carl Institute for Legal & Social Policy, Inc. – School to Prison Pipeline and the Foster Care System

Location: Dean's Conference Room
Time: 12:00 noon – 1:00 pm
Lunch provided

November 5th

1L Skills Academy - OAS

Location: Thurgood Marshall School of Law
Time: 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm

November 5th

Corpus Fundraiser Reception

Location: Home of Attorney Evelyn Huerta Gonzalez

423 Grant Place
Corpus Christi, TX 78411

Time: 6:00 pm

November 6th

Corpus Christi Golf Tournament

Location: Northshore Country Club
801 East Broadway Ave.
Portland, Texas 78374

Time: 8:00 am shotgun



September Birthdays



Jo Alridge	1st
Virgie Mouton	4th
Susan Bynam	10th
James Beard	16th
Itunu Sofidiya	18th
Craig Jackson	21st
Prudence Smith	23rd



Recycle reminder

Go Green! Let's remember to recycle our used bottles! The recycle bins are located in two areas of the law school and emptied every morning!

Let's do our part!



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