



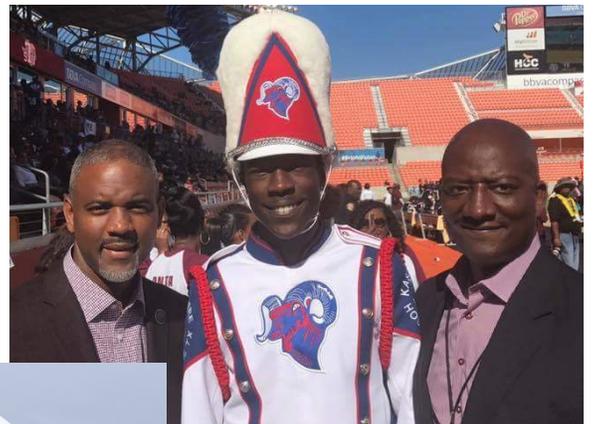
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October 2016

TMSL Alumni Special Edition: Homecoming / Reunion 2016





TSU HOMECOMING / TMSL REUNION
Welcome Back Reception at the Mosaic Penthouse 2
Thursday, October 20, 2016





TSU HOMECOMING / TMSL REUNION *Wiley A. Branton Symposium and Awards Reception* Friday, October 21, 2016

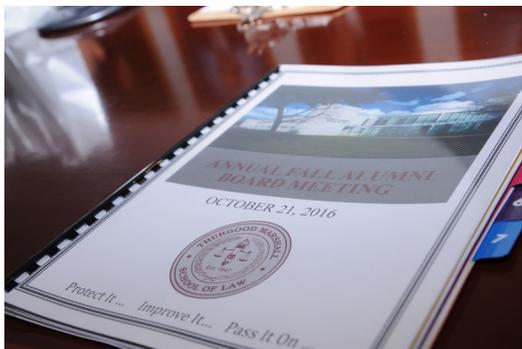




TSU HOMECOMING / TMSL REUNION

Fall Annual Alumni Board Meeting

Friday, October 21, 2016





TSU HOMECOMING / TMSL REUNION

Classes Reunion Events

Friday, October 21, 2016





TSU HOMECOMING / TMSL REUNION

Afterglow Party at Our Legends

Saturday, October 22, 2016





ALUMNI HIGHLIGHTS

TMSL Alums Receive Prestigious Wiley A. Branton Award



The Wiley A. Branton award is named for a man who stood against social injustices and inequality during the racially segregated times of the 1950's and 1960's. This award was first presented in 1989 by the Washington Lawyers' Committee. The award was created to honor those who exemplify Mr. Branton's deep commitment to public service and the eradication of social inequality. As rightfully so, The Wiley A. Branton Award has now become a symbol of prestige to honor those that mirror the commitment of Mr. Branton. This year, three of our own TMSL alums were honored at the 2016 Wiley A. Branton Symposium reception, **Antoinette "Toni" M. Jackson**, class of 1991, **Ricky Anderson**, class of 1992, and **Alice "Allie" Booker**, class of 2009, for their outstanding service and dedication. TMSL family please join us in congratulating our Alum on the receipt of their distinguished award.





ALUMNI HIGHLIGHTS *Cont'd.*

TMSL Dallas Family Law CLE and Reception with

Dean James M. Douglas

October 7, 2016





ALUMNI HIGHLIGHTS *Cont'd.* ALUMNI IN THE NEWS



Judge Claudine James Appointed to the Alabama Board of Trustees

The Honorable Robert Bentley, the Governor of Alabama, appointed **Judge Claudine James**, TMSL class of 1997, to the Alabama State University Board of Trustees. Judge James will represent the Nation At-Large position for a five-year term. Judge James currently is one of two Administrative Law Judges in the Houston District Office of the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

Attorney Robinson: From Exonerée to the United States Supreme Court



Anthony Todd Robinson, TMSL class of 2004, is newly admitted to the bar of the United States Supreme Court. Robinson credits TMSL's legal education as being largely contributory to his continual success. Robinson founded and currently serves as the CEO and General Counsel for Beijing RCI, a Chinese wholly foreign-owned enterprise—an affiliate of his Texas-based firm, Robinson Consulting International, Inc., and maintains a state and federal practice in Houston. Per Robinson, "Lawyers are the foot soldiers who defend the law, so when clients look to you for your legal services, they anticipate that you're going to do what is right. A bad attorney is worse than no attorney, but a good attorney is worth its weight in gold. My success as a practicing lawyer is directly linked to the legal education I received at TMSL. It served as the footstool of broadening my professional acumen to even greater heights. Perseverance, a strong desire to seek and accomplish justice, along with the achievements that I have received along my journey are testament to the wonderful foundation laid by TMSL. I will forever support TMSL's Innocence Project and the great work and mission of Thurgood Marshall School of Law." Robinson, who under the mentoring of Senator Rodney Ellis—was pardoned after having been wrongfully convicted of a crime he did not commit and having served 10 years of a 27-year sentence before attending law school.



ALUMNI HIGHLIGHTS *Cont'd.*
ALUMNI IN THE NEWS

TMSL Alums in November 8th Elections



The Honorable Hilary Green
Justice of the Peace Precinct
7, Place 1



James B. "Jim" Hicks III
District Attorney
Taylor County



Javan Patton
10th Judicial Circuit, Seat 4
Alabama



Brian Middleton
County Court at Law #5
(Fort Bend County)



Michael Sterling
Mayor of Atlanta



Nikita "Nikki" Harmon
176th District Court
Houston



Joy Dawson Thomas
Texas State Representative
District 126



Terrence Holmes
Jefferson County
Court at Law #2



Shawn Thierry
Texas State Representative
District 146



William "Bill" McLeod
Justice of the Peace
Precinct 5, Place 1



Darrell Jordan
County Criminal Court
at Law No. 16



Robert Johnson
177th Criminal District Court
Houston



Al Green
U.S. House of Representatives
9th District of Texas



Victoria Neave
State Representative
District 107
(Dallas)



Sylvia Garcia
The Senate of Texas
District 6



George Powell
351st Judicial District
Houston



ALUMNI HIGHLIGHTS *Cont'd.*
2016 TMSL Super Lawyers

Bruce A. Ashworth

Class of 1982
Attorney at Law
Texas

Juan L. Guerra, Jr.

Class of 2003
Guerra & Farrah PLLC
Texas

Barbara D. Nunneley

Class of 1979
Nunneley Family Law
Texas

Richard E. Banks

Class of 1998
Banks & Associates, PC
Missouri & Kansas

Rafael De La Garza II

Class of 1993
The De La Garza Law Firm, P. C.
Texas

Chance Oliver

Class of 1997
Reyes | Browne | Reilley
Texas

David P. Baugh

Class of 1983
David P. Baugh, Esq., PLC
Virginia

Cori A. Harbour—Valdez

Class of 1997
The Harbour Law Firm, P.C.
Texas

Johnny P. Papantonakis

Class of 2001
The Papantonakis Law Firm
Texas

Brock Morgan Benjamin

Class of 2005
Benjamin Law Firm
Texas

Vivian R. King

Class of 1992
Vivan King Law Group
Texas

Jose R. Perez, Jr.

Class of 1984
Foster
Texas

Leon Carter

Class of 1986
Carter Scholer Arnett Hamada
& Mockler, PLLC
Texas

Walter M. Brown

Class of 1998
Seyferth Blumenthal & Harris
LLC
Missouri & Kansas

Herman H. Segovia

Class of 1977
Law Offices of Herman Segovia
Texas

William D. Fong

Class of 1994
Fong & Associates
Texas

Andrew J. Lehrman

Class of 1976
Seyferth Blumenthal & HarLLC
Missouri & Kansas

Jed R. Silverman

Class of 1999
The Law Offices of Jed Silverman
Texas

Barry W. Ford

Class of 1977
Baker, Donelson, Bearman,
Caldwell & Berkowitz, PC
Mid-South

Doug Murphy

Class of 1999
Trichter & Murphy, P.C.
Texas

Victor D. Vital

Class of 1995
Barnes & Thornburg LLP
Texas

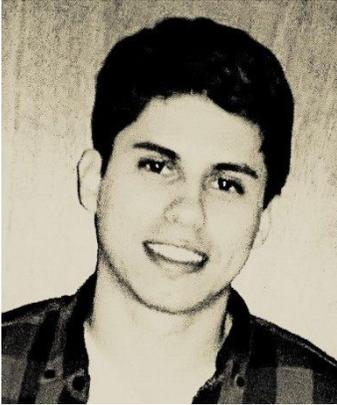
Tyrone C. Moncriste

Class of 1992
Tyrone C. Moncriste &
Associates
Texas



ALUMNI HIGHLIGHTS *Cont'd.*

IN MEMORIAM



Stuart Leo Dulek, class of 2001, passed away on Sunday, October 23, 2016. He was a proud graduate of Bellaire High School, and of the University of Houston, where he completed a Bachelors degree in Communications. He was in the process of completing his teaching certificate. Stuart was known by many to always have a positive attitude and to encourage others. His TMSL fellow Alums remember Stuart as a nice guy who always had a smile on his face.

Dr. Elizabeth Ndidi Iriele, class of 1986, passed away on September 19, 2016. She will be remembered by her classmates as a very studious, kind and compassionate person.





UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, November 14, 2016

Chicago Area Alumni & Friends Fundraising Reception

Palmer House Hilton
17 East Monroe Street
Chicago, IL 60603
5:30 pm – 7:30 pm

TEXAS SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY
THURGOOD MARSHALL SCHOOL OF LAW
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3100 Cleburne Street · Houston, TX. 77004
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UPCOMING EVENTS *Cont'd.*

Saturday, November 5, 2016

Newly Admitted Attorneys and Elected Officials

HOME OF Dr. James M. Douglas

5318 Calhoun

Houston, Texas 77021

6:00 pm – 9:00 pm

CO-HOSTED BY:  HOUSTON LAWYERS
ASSOCIATION



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You are cordially invited to join us for the

UNVEILING

of the portrait of

DANNYE R. HOLLEY

Former Dean and Professor of Law

Thurgood Marshall School of Law Lobby

Friday, November 18, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.

Burford E. Evans, *Master Artist* - Houston, Texas

A reception with Former Dean Holley will follow the unveiling

Please R.S.V.P. by November 11, 2016

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