



# Thurgood TODAY



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## THURGOOD WELCOMES THE CLASS OF 2016

Thurgood Marshall School of Law welcomed 200 students to the Class of 2016. The median LSAT score for the class is 145, the median G.P.A is 3.08, and the average age is 28. Most students are from Texas, but other states represented by this class include LA, NM, AL, MS, NY, CA, VA, FL, NC, D.C., and TN.

Orientation began Monday, August 12 with Dean Danyne Holley giving words of inspiration to the incoming class followed by an introduction of his administrative staff. Dr. Sunny Ohia, University Provost, Mrs. Marilyn Square, University Registrar and Dr. William Saunders, Vice President of Student Services, all welcomed the class of 2016. The morning continued with introductions from TMSL student leaders and organizations and, after lunch, the students took diagnostic tests.

Day 2 of Orientation provided a “Welcome to the Legal Profession.” roster of speakers from the State Bar of Texas, Texas Young Lawyers Association, and the Houston Bar Association. Representatives from TMSL institutes and special programs also addressed the class.





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On Day 3 and the morning of Day 4 of Orientation, the incoming class received information about professional conduct. Alumna Vy Nguyen (Class of 2007) shared seven tips on being a lawyer that she learned as a student at TMSL. Four tips that really resonated with the group were:

*Tip #3 – Always be humble and go with your intuition.*

*Tip #4 – Build strong relationships with each classmate you meet because that type of rapport will be a life-long relationship in your legal career.*



(Attorney Vy Nguyen)

*Tip #5 – Never be afraid to ask questions and ask for advice from your professor and continue to maintain a strong rapport with them even after you graduate.*

*Tip #6 – Most of all, take every day in law school seriously because every grade you earn helps build the needed discipline that is essential in becoming a successful attorney.*

In conclusion, Attorney Nguyen stated that a law degree from TMSL “will open so many doors for you in life....It will be one of the best goals you ever achieve.”

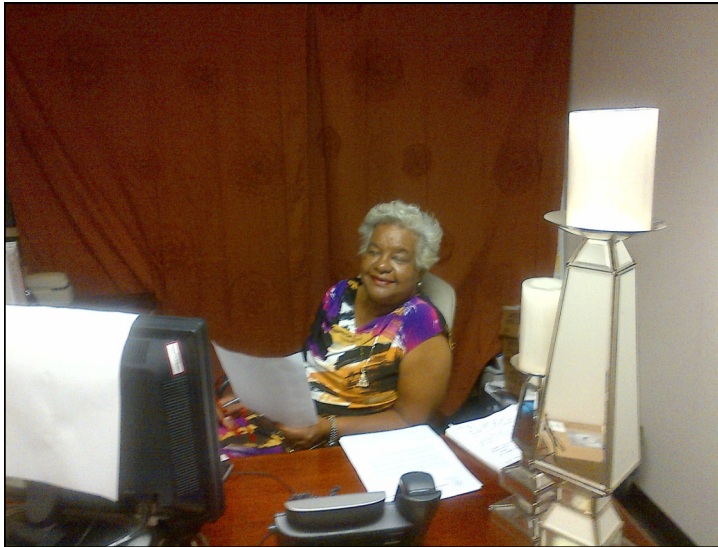
Orientation ended with a “Thurgood Thursday on Friday” reception at Hughes Hangar, hosted by TMSL Alumna Vy Nguyen.





## ALUMNI HIGHLIGHTS

### Naomi Andrews (Class of 1983) Returns To TMSL



TMSL encourages alumni to give back to the law school in various ways. And, when we asked TMSL Alumni Board member Naomi Andrews to help, she took that challenge seriously and did not hesitate to execute a letter-writing campaign to her classmates, former colleagues, family, and friends.

Ms. Andrews walked into Dean Holley's office a week ago and told him, "I am going to raise \$10,000 from my classmates for this school." Immediately, the Office of External Affairs offered her in an office with a telephone and a notepad and in no time, Ms. Andrews gained the support of many. The Office of External Affairs is proud to announce that Ms. Andrews has already exceeded her \$10,000 goal by securing numerous pledges with gifts to come.





**ALUMNI HIGHLIGHTS**

**TMSL @ THE NBA in Miami, Florida**





## ALUMNI HIGHLIGHTS

### TMSL at the State Bar of Texas in Dallas, Texas





## FACULTY HIGHLIGHTS



**Professor Cassandra Hill's** article, *The Elephant in the Law School Assessment Room: The Role of Student Responsibility and Motivating Our Students to Learn*, 56 Howard L.J. 101 (2013), was recently listed on the Social Science Research Network's Top Ten download lists for the following SSRN eJournals: *Legal Writing*, *Innovation in Legal Education*, and *Innovation in Practice*.

**Professor Katherine Vukadin's** selection as a Health Law Scholar was announced at the national Health Law Professors Conference in June. Professor Vukadin was selected for this national honor by her peers in health law from schools around the country.



**Professors Maurice Hew and Fernando Colon** and TMSL students appeared on Constable Victor Trevino's television show on July 30, 2013, to discuss the TMSL Immigration Clinic.





## FACULTY HIGHLIGHTS (continued)

### TMSL Welcomes Dr. James M. Douglas Back to the Law School



**Dr. James M. Douglas** returns to the law school where his career in legal education began. Having served as the longest serving Dean in the history of the law school, many alums still and will always refer to him as Dean Douglas.

Dr. Douglas has continued to serve on the faculty of the law school, but his role often shifted due to other University needs. He served as President of Texas Southern University from 1995-1999, then returned to the TMSL where he resumed teaching Contracts and serving as the faculty director of TLIP. When Dr. John Rudley became President of TSU, Dr. Douglas was called upon once again to be an integral part of the University administration. From 2009-2013, Dr. Douglas served as Executive Vice President, Provost, Vice President of Government Affairs & Community Relations, and General Counsel. It is quite evident that there are very few positions that Dr. Douglas has not held at TSU. It is even rumored that he still has a secret office across campus. Hopefully, he is working on

his personal memoir.

The faculty, staff, and students of TMSL are excited to have Dr. James Douglas back!!

### TMSL Welcomes New Faculty and Instructors

#### SpearIt—Associate Professor of Law



**Professor SpearIt** joined the Thurgood Marshall School of Law Faculty in Fall 2013. He received his B.A. *magna cum laude* in 1998 from the University of Houston, his M.T.S. in 2000 from Harvard Divinity School, his Ph.D. in 2006 from the University of California, Santa Barbara, and J.D. in 2009 from the University of California, Berkeley School of Law.

Professor SpearIt's scholarship and teachings are in the areas of criminal law, law and policy of corrections, law and policy of sentencing, evidence, and entertainment law. He previously served as Assistant Professor of Law at Saint Louis University School of Law and is presently a Fellow at the Institute for Social Policy & Understanding, Washington D.C. He joins TMSL as Associate Professor of Law and will teach criminal law this Fall.

His recent publications include:

- *Legal Punishment as Civil Ritual: Making Cultural Sense of Harsh Punishment*, 82 Miss. L.J. 1 (2013).
- *Facts and Fictions About Islam In Prison: Assessing Prisoner Radicalization In Post- 9/11 America*, Institute for Social Policy & Understanding (2013).
- *Religion as Rehabilitation: Reflections on Islam in the Correctional Setting*, 34 Whittier L. Rev. 29 (2012).
- *Priorities of Pedagogy: Classroom Justice in the Law School Setting*, 48 Cal. West. L. Rev. 467 (2012).
- *Raza Islamica: Prisons, Hip Hop & Converting Converts*, 22 Berkeley La Raza L.J. 175 (2012).
- *Why Obama is Black: Language, Law & Structures of Power*, 1 Colum. J. Race & L. 468 (2012).



## FACULTY HIGHLIGHTS

### Dr. Mary Kelly—Instructor



**Dr. Mary Kelly** recently served as an adjunct professor teaching Lawyering Process at TMSL. She now serves as the Instructor for Legal Writing. Dr. Kelly holds degrees from St. Mary's School of Law (J.D. with honors), the University of Tennessee (M.A. and Ph.D.), and Marquette University (B.A. with honors). Prior to moving to Texas and starting law school, Dr. Kelly taught composition, advanced composition, and English literature courses at the university level. She also taught at UTSA, guest lectured on legal topics at St. Mary's Law School, the UT Health Science Center, and UT Law School, and authored and presented over a hundred papers on water law and other legal topics.

Dr. Kelly has over 37 years of experience as a transactional attorney with major Texas law firms. She has practiced with Fulbright and Jaworski, Matthews and Branscomb, and other firms. She has extensive experience negotiating and drafting complex financial, corporate, real property, environmental, and public/private transactional documents. Her representation has addressed transportation and regional mobility issues, including matters concerning toll roads and statewide high-speed rail. Dr. Kelly's environmental law experience includes serving for over 15 years as outside general counsel for a multi-county groundwater district during a period of considerable controversy over water resource strategies.

source strategies.

Dr. Kelly also served as Assistant Chief Counsel to the USAID Base Conversion Agency and recently represented a group of major stakeholders in the Edwards Aquifer Recovery Implementation Program (EARIP). She has held numerous state and local leadership positions, including service on the Texas Turnpike Authority Board, Texas Commission for the Humanities, San Antonio Water System Board, and in state and local bar, professional, civic, and charitable organizations.

### Tamara Tabo—Instructor



**Tamara Tabo** is the new Instructor of Legal Pedagogy for TMSL. She received her B.A. in Philosophy and English in 2001, *magna cum laude* and her M.A. in Philosophy in 2004, both from the University of Houston. Ms. Tabo graduated *summa cum laude* from TMSL in 2011. During her tenure in law school, Ms. Tabo served as Editor-in-Chief of the Thurgood Marshall Law Review and received several CALI Awards, including the Elvin P. Ross III Peer Excellence Award given to the top three graduating law students.

After Law School, Ms. Tabo served as a law clerk for the Honorable Edith H. Jones, Chief Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit. She then went on to work as a columnist for Above the Law, a legal news and commentary website, to which she continues to contribute. Ms. Tabo also served as a Clinician for Lindamood-Bell Learning Processes from January 2013 to June 2013. In this capacity, she administered and scored standardized cognitive testing and served as a clinical instructor of individuals with learning disabilities and cognitive disorders. Ms. Tabo's legal and technical writing and instruction experience will be of great benefit to our distinguished Center for Legal Pedagogy.

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### STAFF HIGHLIGHTS

#### TMSL Bids Farewell to

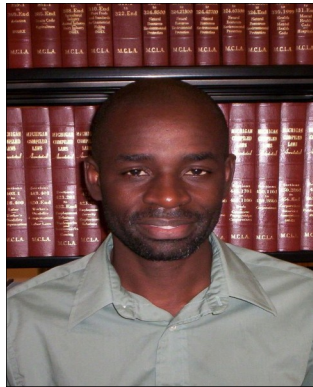
#### Shante Clark-Davis, Chris Ogolla, Brittani Halliburton & Davon Hatchett



Shante Clark-Davis

Electronic Resources Librarian

Now: High School Librarian



Christopher Ogolla

Instructor of Academic Support

Now: Voting Associate Professor Savannah Law School



Brittani Halliburton

Administrative Assistant—Office of External Affairs

Now: Class of 2016 @ TMSL



Davon Hatchett

Assistant Dean of Institutional Advancement

Now: Freelance Writer & Marrying Dallas Judge on August 23rd

### TMSL WELCOMES NEW STAFF

#### Marc Banks—Technical Services Specialist



**Marc Banks** comes to TMSL with over 14 years of experience in Network Administration and Engineering. He previously worked for such companies as: The Federal Aviation Administration, ExxonMobil, MD Anderson, Honeywell, Xerox, and Halliburton. Marc's most recent venture was as the owner of Next Episode Technology, which contracted network services for small to medium-sized businesses and performed custom automation, audio and video design and installation, and website hosting and design.

Marc attended Prairie View University where he studied Biology Pre-Med and completed his Network Engineering and Management certificate from the Computer Learning Center. TMSL is so honored to have such an expert on our staff.



## STAFF HIGHLIGHTS (continued)

### **PAULA MERRIWEATHER - Senior Administrative Assistant, Law Review**



Paula Merriweather began her career in 1979 at Gary National Bank as a Safety Deposits Assistant while attending both high school and Indiana University Northwest. From 1985-1990, Ms. Merriweather served as an Administrative Assistant for Martin E. Segal and the Defense Research Institute. From 1995 to summer 2013, Ms. Merriweather enjoyed a legal career as an Executive Legal Administrative Assistant for O'Connor, Schiff and Myers, and both Chicago Legal Staffing and MB Staffing.

In 2010, Ms. Merriweather also helped in the start-ups of Regal Asset Solutions, Chicago, Illinois and Inner Circle Martial Arts of Washington, D.C. by providing 501(c) 3 grant research and preparation as well as business planning.

Ms. Merriweather currently holds an A.A.S. degree in System Networking and is currently continuing her education towards a B.S. degree at DeVry University.

### **Derrick Wilson—Interim Assistant Dean of Administrative Services**



**Derrick Wilson** is a native Houstonian and two-time graduate of Texas Southern University. Dean Wilson received his Bachelor of Science in Electronic Engineering Technology (ELET) from the College of Science and Technology in 2003 and his Masters of Science in Management Information Systems (MIS) from the Jesse H. Jones School of Business in 2009. He is currently a Doctoral candidate for the Doctorate of Education in Educational Administration (Higher Education Administration) at TSU. He started his career at TSU in 2000 and has worked in the following areas: Office of the Provost (Business Services), Office of Human Resources (Senior Employment Specialist), Center for Online Education and Instructional Technology (Metrics Technician), and the College of Education (College Business Administrator II). Dean Wilson has served as the Texas Southern University Staff Council Chair (2009-2010; 2011-2013) and a member of the Spring 2012 Newman Management Institute. He is married to Tiffany Wilson and the father of SaRon, DeAvion, and Derrick II.

In his short time at TMSL, Dean Wilson has managed to successfully organize a school-wide aesthetic upgrade, including the installation of new carpet, signage, and other interior decorations. With his warm personality, Dean Wilson, has made a seamless transition into the TMSL family.



## FROM THE OFFICE OF SBA PRESIDENT GAVEN NORRIS

### *ONE TMSL—Community Outreach, Diversity and Inclusion*

In line with the Student Bar Associations' theme of "**ONE TMSL**" on Saturday, August 10, 2013, the SBA's newly formed Community Outreach Committee, chaired by 2L Anjali Sharma, coordinated an effort for TMSL students to perform pro bono services by volunteering with Access Health's city-wide Back-To-School Health Fair for grade-school children. Access Health is a federally qualified health center.

The event started at 8 a.m. in Richmond, Texas. During the event, grade school children were provided with immunizations, hair cuts, school supplies, games, and other entertainment. TMSL students supervised many of the field day gaming activities for the children. This was a great experience for law students to not only give back to their community but also interact with fellow classmates. Desiree Watkins, 3L, stated, "It was an honor to help the kids before school started." The Thurgood Marshall Law School Community Outreach Committee would

like to give a special thanks thank all of the TMSL students who participated in this community outreach event.



Under the diversity and inclusion branch of the SBA's "**ONE TMSL**" theme, the SBA has created a policy where a minimum of three student organizations must collaborate together to host any event intended to benefit the TMSL student body, at large.

With this policy in mind, on Friday, August 16, 2013, the Black Law Students Association (BLSA), the Board of Advocates (BOA), and the Hispanic Law Students Association (HLSA) all teamed up to give the students of TMSL a chance to unwind before school started. TMSL students from all cultures, ethnicities, gender, and race came together to celebrate before buckling down and studying hard.

First-year students came out to enjoy their last weekend before their newfound journeys began. Second-year students came out to celebrate passing to the second year. Third-year students came out to celebrate becoming third-year law students. In addition, TMSL alumni came out to let everyone know that anyone can achieve success if they work hard. Overall, the event was a complete success and a picture of true TMSL diversity!!! BLSA, BOA, and HLSA would like to say to all of the TMSL students, "WELCOME BACK AND WORK HARD."



## STUDENT HIGHLIGHTS

### TMSL's First Summer Abroad Program Was a Success!



Thurgood Marshall School of Law successfully completed its first ever summer abroad program. Under the direction of Professor Fernando Colon, 52 TMSL law students joined 45 University of Puerto Rico law students for this invaluable educational experience.

The students were immersed in a two-week intensive study of immigration law. Professors Colon (family immigration), Bill Fong (special topics in employment immigration), and Julie Cruz Santana (basic immigration) served as faculty of the intensive coursework that occurred from 9:00am-6:30pm every day, resulting in six credit hours. Professor Colon stated, “[This program]...has enhanced our core value of school diversity and development of the immigration curriculum leading to TMSL’s LL.M in Immigration Law.”



The students also enjoyed everything that the beautiful country of Puerto Rico has to offer. They filled the streets, beaches, dining venues, and bars for two weeks of fun. They kayaked in the fluorescent bay in the dark of night, hiked the rainforest, snorkeled, and enjoyed a day of swimming in Culebra. Professor Colon said, “I hope they [left] satisfied and more interested in their education now and that my beautiful island is in their hearts forever.”

So to TMSL students, Puerto Rico says, “Hasta Luego.”



**STUDENT HIGHLIGHTS (continued)**

**Thurgood Marshall School of Law Student Participant in Baylor Law’s Academy of the Advocate in St. Andrews (Scotland)**



**Elizabeth D. Smith** is a third-year law student at TMSL. She had the distinguished opportunity to be a participant in the Baylor Law School’s Academy of the Advocate in St. Andrews (Scotland). The first-of-its-kind Academy provides students with intense and practical training in trial and appellate advocacy from some of the very best lawyers, judges, and trial advocacy professors in the United States and United Kingdom. The program linked the art and craft of advocacy to the rich history of the British Common Law system and the traditions of the trial by jury and the right to appeal and instilled in students the importance of professionalism, civility, and the ethical practice of trial and appellate advocacy.

During the program, Ms. Smith argued several mini-cases, including defending George Zimmerman in a simulated State vs Zimmerman trial. Her most successful moment was securing a favorable judgment during the final exercise

where she represented a large corporation in a wrongful-death case in front of a “live” jury. Ms. Smith says her experience was phenomenal and that she “enjoyed every moment of it.”

Ms. Smith, a native of Grambling, LA, is the daughter of Leon and Delores Wilkerson Smith. She received an undergraduate degree in Biology and Chemistry from Grambling State University and a Master’s degree in Education Administration from Prairie View A & M University. She will work as the briefing attorney for Judge Barbara Hervey of the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals upon graduation, and hopes to become a prosecutor and law school professor.

**Thurgood Marshall School of Law Student Chosen For TSU Student Regent**



3L TMSL student, **Faran Foy**, was appointed Texas Southern University’s student regent by Governor Rick Perry. Ms. Foy received her B.A. from Florida State University in 2011 and she studied journalism with a concentration in magazine production. As an undergraduate, Ms. Foy was a member of the FSU chapters of Lambda Iota Tau Literary Honor Society and W.E.B Dubois National Honor Society. Ms. Foy currently serves as vice justice of the Barbara C. Jordan Chapter of Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity International and vice president of the Student Ambassadors. She also serves on the Thurgood Marshall Law Review.

For a complete article on Student Regent Faran Foy, go to [www.tsu.edu](http://www.tsu.edu).



## OFFICE OF CAREER SERVICES

### 3L Leslie Turnage- My Summer Employment Experience



The summer of my 2L year of law school consisted of a split summer with The Honorable Alia Moses, United States District Judge, Western District of Texas, Del Rio Division; The United States Attorney's Office, Southern District of Texas, Laredo Division; and a Summer Immigration Exchange Program.

Summer I: My summer externship gave me the opportunity to see firsthand the inner workings of a District Court Chambers in the Western District of Texas. This externship also afforded me the opportunity to meet and interact with a variety of lawyers, high-ranking Azeri officials, members of Azeri Parliament as well as members from the Department of Justice Public Affairs Representatives from Washington. The delegation from the Republic of Azerbaijan escorted by Department of Justice Public Affairs Representatives traveled to Del Rio, Texas to study and learn about the United States legal system. It was my job to answer questions and give informational briefings and presentations about our jury system and voir dire process. I also had the opportunity to prepare legal memoranda on cases that were pending in Judge Alia Moses' court. These cases ranged from trafficking guns, money, drugs, and people to RICO cases coupled with the intent to distribute controlled substances. One of the high profile RICO cases involved various members of criminal organizations, multiple defendants, and expert testimony on gang tattoos. The stories that came from the witness stand about murder and drug trafficking seemed to come from the pages of fiction novels and or horror movies, definitely one for the memory books. The opportunity to learn and work along side some brilliant attorneys was a privilege and honor. It was an experience I will never forget.

Summer II: Working with the United States Attorney's Office was another fantastic experience. The Assistant United States Attorneys were very helpful and always ready to lend an educational explanation to the work I was assigned. I had the privilege to work on and assist with case files for revocation hearings and was able to draft a variety of motions. One of the highlights was seeing another high profile trial where the jury ultimately convicted three in "Operation El Patron". This was a seven-day trial consisting of three drug, possession, and money- laundering co-conspirators that were found guilty of charges ranging from a long-term Organized Crime Enforcement Task Force investigation. There were more than 20 witnesses and, to date, 25 other co-conspirators that have been convicted and sentenced as part of this lengthy investigation by the government.

Summer III: I was selected to participate in an inaugural joint venture summer exchange program with the University of Puerto Rico Law School and TMSL. This was an amazing opportunity to study immigration while immersed in the Puerto Rican culture along side Puerto Rican Law Students. I studied Employment Immigration with Professor Fung and Family Immigration with Professor Colon.

I am grateful for my fantastic summer experiences, the people I was fortunate to work for and with, and for the opportunity to learn the law beyond the classroom.



## ECI HIGHLIGHTS

### The Earl Carl Institute's

## **REPORT ON THE 83<sup>RD</sup> LEGISLATIVE SESSION: AN URBAN PERSPECTIVE**

The 83<sup>rd</sup> Texas Legislature filed 5,868 bills, with 1,437 bills passed and 26 bills vetoed by the Governor. By many accounts from legislators and spectators alike, the 83<sup>rd</sup> legislative session has been described as both productive and amicable. These descriptions come despite controversy surrounding a heavily contested abortion bill that passed in the second called special session (following a successful filibuster during the initial special session). The newly passed bill enacts some of the toughest abortion measures in the country. Overall, state lawmakers worked together to pass important bills, such as those to expand funding for women's health, public education, and the mentally ill, just to name a few. The total budget was contained in five major bills instead of one, including SB 1, HB 1025, HB 6, HB 7 and SJR 1. Of note, SB 1 and Senate Joint Resolution 1, respectively, increased funding in health and human services and education, and allow for \$2 million dollars from the Rainy Day Fund to be used for economic development and water infrastructure. Governor Rick Perry signed into law a two-year \$197-billion balanced budget made up of state and federal dollars, an increase of 3.7% from 2012-2013.

The Legislative Session's impact on Texas Southern University was important in several ways. H.B. 29 requires all public universities to offer incoming students a four-year, fixed rate tuition option. TEXAS Grants received a 25% increase to \$724 million, which should fund approximately 84% of new eligible students. Changes to the B-on-Time Loan Program will allow universities to keep their proportional share of the contributed funds beginning in 2014. Tuition Revenue Bonds (TRB) were passed by both chamber; however, a joint committee failed to reach an agreement which would have provided \$66 million for a new library and learning center.

The Earl Carl Institute is pleased to announce our forthcoming publication entitled *Report on the 83<sup>rd</sup> Legislature – An Urban Perspective*. This comprehensive report distinguishes itself by focusing on legislative actions that directly impact the urban community. This legislative update is organized by the Institute's key focus areas: Education, Criminal Justice, Housing and Environment, Family and Gender, Legislation, Student Development, and Wealth and Taxation. Upon completion, the report will be available online at [www.earlcarlinstitute.org](http://www.earlcarlinstitute.org).





UPCOMING EVENTS

Save the Dates

THURGOOD MARSHALL  
SCHOOL OF LAW  
and  
DEAN DANNYE HOLLEY

cordially invite you to join us for the following events:

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2013**

**TMSL ANNUAL REUNION KICK-OFF  
RECEPTION**

5:30 pm - 7:30 pm  
Hotel ZaZa (11th floor Penthouse)  
5701 Main St., Houston, TX  
Co-Sponsored by: Ricky Anderson,  
Melvin Houston & TMSL

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2013**

**TMSL REUNION REGISTRATION**

8:00 am - 2:00 pm  
TMSL Lobby

**TMSL ALUMNI BOARD ANNUAL MEETING**

9:00 am - 12:30 pm  
Dean's Conference Room

**ADVANCED TRIAL PRACTICES CLE**

8:00 am - 12:00 pm  
Thurgood Marshall School of Law  
Cost: \$45.00 attorneys, complimentary  
non-attorneys & reunion classes  
MCLE: 4.00 Ethics: 1.00  
Register & pay online at  
[www.tinyurl.com/tmsleventregistration](http://www.tinyurl.com/tmsleventregistration)

**FAMILY LAW BEST PRACTICES CLE**

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm  
Thurgood Marshall School of Law  
Cost: \$45.00 attorneys, complimentary  
non-attorneys & reunion classes  
MCLE 3.00 Ethics: .50  
Register & pay online at  
[www.tinyurl.com/tmsleventregistration](http://www.tinyurl.com/tmsleventregistration)

**WELCOME BACK, REUNION CLASSES!!!**

12:30 pm - 2:00 pm  
TMSL Lobby

**PRESIDENT'S GALA**

6:00 pm Reception / 7:00 pm Dinner  
Westin Galleria  
5060 W. Alabama, Houston, TX  
For tickets, contact the TSU Office of  
Alumni Relations at 713.313.7606

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2013**

**TMSL ANNUAL TAILGATE  
COOKOUT & COCKTAILS**

11:00 am - 7:00 pm  
TSU Pavilions

**HOMECOMING  
TEXAS SOUTH  
ALCORN STATE**

2:00 pm  
BBVA Compass Stadium

**LAW SCHOOL AFTERGLOW**

7:00 pm - 12 midnight  
Our Legends  
5312 Alameda Rd., Houston, TX 77004  
Sponsored by: TMSL Alumni Board

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UPCOMING EVENTS

CELEBRITY  
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ATTORNEY RICKY  
ANDERSON PROJECT

Celebrity Chair  
**Billy Granville**  
Former NFL Football Player  
Cincinnati Bengals & Houston Texans

Thurgood Marshall School of Law  
TMSL Sports & Entertainment Law Society

Location:  
Hermann Park Golf Course, 2155 North MacGregor, Houston, TX 77030

8:00 a.m. Shotgun

Cost:  
\$500 for team of four, \$125 a player

Sponsorship:  
\$150 hole sponsor  
\$1000 Tournament Sponsor

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Make checks payable to "TMSL"

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UPCOMING EVENTS

*TMSL Alumni & Friends Breakfast*

*2013 Annual Judicial Education Conference*

*Date: Wednesday, September 4, 2013*

*Location: JW Marriot Hill Country*

*Azalea Room*

*23808 Resort Pkwy*

*San Antonio, TX*

*Time: 7:00am - 8:00am*

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Date: Wednesday, September 4, 2013

Time: 7:00a.m—8:00a.m

Location: JW Marriot Hill Country

23808 Resort Pkwy

San Antonio, Texas



## UPCOMING EVENTS



# 2<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL THURGOOD MARSHALL ALUMNI GOLF CLASSIC

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Benefiting Thurgood Marshall School of Law

(Supporting Dean Holley's Foundation for the Future Endowment)

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September 6, 2013

Registration at 11:00 am

1:00 pm Shotgun Start

Painted Dunes Desert Golf Course

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\$100.00 Hole Sponsor

4-Person Scramble - \$80.00 per player

Make checks payable to: TMSL-AF

Mail to TMSL-AF, 3100 Cleburne St., Houston, TX 77004

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For more information, call Luis Gutierrez at (915) 577-0915

Following the tournament, join us for more fun with The Taco Man & Music at:

Louie G's house



## UPCOMING EVENTS

**August 19th**

**First Day of Class**



**August 21st**

**Last Day to ADD/DROP**

**August 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**SBA Board Meeting**

Location: TMSL

Time: 6pm

**August 23rd**

**Sunbelt Minority Job Fair**

**Office of Career Services**

Location: Wyndham Dallas Suites – Park Central  
Dallas, Texas

**August 27th**

**Interview Workshop (OCS)**

Location: Room 208

Time: 12 noon

**August 28th**

**Touchdown Club Luncheon**

Location: Power Center

Time: 12noon

**August 28<sup>th</sup>**

**SBA Board Meeting**

Location: TBD

Time: 12 noon – 1pm

**August 29th**

**Dress for Success Workshop (OCS)**

Location– Room 202

Time—12noon

**August 29th**

**83<sup>rd</sup> Legislative Update: An Urban Prospective-CLE**

**The Earl Carl Institute ;Thurgood Marshall School of Law; Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.,**

**Connections Committee; and the Houston League of Woman Voters**

Location: Thurgood Marshall School of Law

Time: 12:00 noon- 4:00pm

Cost: \$60.00 attorneys; complimentary non-attorneys

MCLE: 4.0

Ethics: 1.0

Register and pay online: [www.tinyurl.com/tmsleventregistration](http://www.tinyurl.com/tmsleventregistration)

**August 30th**

**Inter-Organization Mixer – SBA**

Location: Celtic Gardens – Midtown Houston

Time: 5-8pm



**UPCOMING EVENTS cont.**

**August 31st**

**Labor Day Classic – TSU v. PVU**

Location: BBVA Compass Stadium

Time: 7:00pm



**SEPTEMBER 2013**

**September 2nd**

**Labor Day (NO CLASSES)**



**September 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**Faculty Meeting**

Location: Dean’s Conference Room

Time: 5:00 pm

**September 4th**

**TMSL Alumni Judges Breakfast**

**Texas Judiciary Conference**

Location: J.W. Marriott  
San Antonio, Texas

**September 5th**

**Judicial Clerkship Workshop (OCS)**

Location: Room 208

Time: 12 noon

**September 7<sup>th</sup>**

**Student Leaders’ Retreat**

Location: Hilton Garden Inn Galleria

Time: 10:00 am – 6:00 pm

**September 11<sup>th</sup>**

**1L Skills Academy**

Location: Thurgood Marshall School of Law

Time: 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm

**September 12th**

**Dean’s Administrative Staff Meeting**

Location: Dean’s Conference Room

Time: 3:00 pm



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### AUGUST BIRTHDAYS



Andreaus Boise	8th
Thelma Harmon	11th
Elsa Ransom	12th
Rebecca Stewart	12th
Gabriel Aitsebaomo	13th
Lydia Johnson	13th
Paul Stein	15th
Ericka Kelsaw	17th
Asmara Tekle	25th

### 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 for the environment!



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