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FROM THE OFFICE OF THE DEAN

ADMINISTRATOR HIGHLIGHT

René Edward

Assistant Dean of Admissions

Edward W. René, Ph.D.



Edward W. René, Ph.D. is the Assistant Dean of Admissions and Financial Aid at the Thurgood Marshall School of Law at Texas Southern University. In this capacity, he serves as the chief enrollment officer overseeing admissions, financial aid, recruitment, and retention. Dr. René earned his bachelor's degree in English Journalism from the University of Louisiana at Lafayette, the Master's of Education in Administration/Supervision from McNeese State University, and the Doctor of Philosophy in Urban Higher Education from Jackson State University. He has more than 22 years of experience in the field of education. He began his tenure in education in 1989 as an 8th grade English teacher. He then went on to teach Developmental English at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette in Fall 1997. In 1999, he joined the Thurgood Marshall School of Law as the Assistant Dean of Admissions and Financial Aid. Dr. René also teaches graduate courses to doctoral students in the College of Education at Texas Southern University. He is currently the chairman and board member of Poetry With a Purpose. He is also a former board member of JR's Automotive Group.





TMSL HOST TWO NATIONAL SYMPOSIUMS IN FEBRUARY 2013

TMSL and The Earl Carl Institute will host the *No Child Left Behind: 10 Years in Review* Symposium on February 8, 2013 and a 2-day Indigent Defense Symposium on February 21-22, 2013. Day one is entitled **2013 Indigent Systems and Policy Impact on the Quality of Legal Representation Texas Gideon Trumpet Call: 50 Years Later**. Day two is the **2nd Annual Honorable Craig Washington & Senator Rodney Ellis Excellence in Indigent Defense Series** providing practical information for attorneys. Please see details regarding these upcoming symposiums below:

NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND...10 YEARS IN REVIEW

The pending reauthorization of the No Child Left Behind Act presents an opportunity to strengthen the law makers accountability structure in an effort to ameliorate the effect of what has been described as it's negative impact on certain communities.

Topics discussed will include:

- Solutions & Recommendations for Change
- Waivers
- Trigger Statues
- NCLB: An Expansion of the School-2-Prision Pipeline
- The Achievement Gap-Impact on Minority Students

Invited Course Instructors:

- Professor Kimberly J. Robinson**-University of Richmond School of Law
- Associate Professor Christopher Knaus**- College of Education and Allied Studies California State University
- Professor Roslyn Mickelson**- University of North Carolina at Charlotte
- Professor Robert Garda**- Loyola University of New Orleans
- Mike Feinberg**-KIPP Academy
- Dr. Rachelle Rogers**-Ard- California State University
- Professor Jay Aiyer**-Texas Southern University



2013 Indigent Systems and Policy Impact on the Quality of Legal Representation Texas Gideon Trumpet Call: 50 Years Later

Course Instructors

- Professor Norman Lefstein**
- Alex Bunion** -Harris County PD
- Marjorie Myers**- Federal PD
- Robert Bethke**-Executive Director Texas Indigent Defense Commission
- Honorable Craig Washington**
- JohAnna Wallace**- President & CEO of the National Legal & Defender Association
- Professor Ken Williams**-South Texas College of Law
- Amy Bach**-

2nd Annual Honorable Craig Washington & Senator Rodney Ellis Excellence in Indigent Defense Series

Course Instructors & Topics

- Scott Greenfield**- Ethics Social Media
- Mark Bennett**- Voir Dire
- LeTicia Quinones**- Cross Examination
- Richard Ofshe**- False Confessions
- Vivian King**-Closing Arguments
- Bill Habern**-Parole



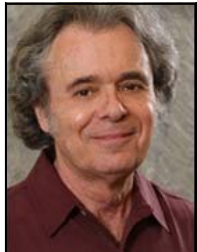


FACULTY HIGHLIGHTS



Professor McKen Carrington has been elected to serve on the Texas Southern University URTP&S Committee.

Professor Sally Terry Green has accepted an offer to publish her next article entitled “A Presumptive In-Custody Approach to Police Conducted School Interrogation” in the Spring 2013 volume of the University of Texas Law School’s American Journal of Criminal Law. The forthcoming citation is *A Presumptive In Custody Approach to Police Conducted School Interrogations*, 40 AM. J. CRIM. L. ____ (2013).



Professor Tom Kleven will give a talk to the faculty on his work in progress, *Equitable Sharing*, at **noon on January 16, 2013**, in the Dean’s Conference Room as part of the Thurgood Marshall Lecture Series. All faculty are encouraged to attend.

Professor Martina Cartwright will give a talk to the faculty on her work in progress, *Mandating Long-Term Record Keeping of Donor Data*, at **noon on January 30, 2013**, in the Dean’s Conference Room as part of the Thurgood Marshall Quodlibet Series. All faculty are encouraged to attend.



Professor Jessica Roberts, assistant professor of law at University of Houston Law Center and a health and antidiscrimination law scholar, will give a talk to the faculty on her work in progress, *Healthism at Work: Can Employers Discriminate on the Basis of Unhealthy Conduct?*, at **noon on January 25, 2013**, in the Dean’s Conference Room as part of the Friday Faculty Exchange, a collaboration of faculty at South Texas College of Law, Thurgood Marshall School of Law, and University of Houston Law Center. Additionally, Professor Roberts teaches Introduction to Health Law, Disabilities and the Law, and Genetics and the Law at UHLC. All faculty are encouraged to attend this talk.



Professor L. Darnell Weeden published his article, “The Supreme Court’s Treatment of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act,” in the Winter 2012 volume of the *Appalachian Journal of Law*. The citation is *The Supreme Court’s Treatment of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act*, 12 APPALACHIAN J.L. 49 (2012).



Please email faculty news to ppendenque@tmslaw.tsu.edu no later than the 25th of each month. The Office of the Dean will collate and edit faculty highlights.



Professor Craig Jackson Directs UPENN Symposium



The Journal of Constitutional Law at the University of Pennsylvania announced the publication of the Symposium Edition of Volume 15 No. 1. The Symposium, titled: FDR and Obama: Are there Constitutional Law Lessons From the New Deal for the Obama Administration? , includes two articles by Thurgood Marshall Law Professor Craig Jackson, one of the planners of the symposium, former TMSL professor Laura Cisneros of Golden Gate University School of Law, Professor Charlton Copeland of the University of Miami school of Law, Professor Jamal Greene of Columbia University School of Law, Professor Barry Cushman from the University of Virginia School of Law, and Louise Weinberg from the University of Texas School of Law. The Index of titles is listed below:

SYMPOSIUM

FDR AND OBAMA: ARE THERE CONSTITUTIONAL LAW LESSONS FROM THE NEW DEAL FOR THE OBAMA ADMINISTRATION

Symposium Introduction

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The Limiting Principle Strategy and Challenges to the New Deal Commerce Clause

Craig L. Jackson 11

Transformative Properties of FDR's Court-Packing Plan and the Significance of Symbol

Laura A. Cisneros 61

Beyond Separation in Federalism Enforcement: Medicaid Expansion, Coercion, and the Norm of Engagement

Charlton C. Copeland 91

The Man on the Flying Trapeze

Barry Cushman 183

What the New Deal Settled

Jamal Greene 265

Unlikely Beginnings of Modern Constitutional Thought

Louise Weinberg 291



ESSAY ADVANTAGE PROGRAM

*Essay Advantage for 2Ls & 3Ls**

*Mon., Jan. 21, 2013
9am - 2pm, Room 203*

*Featuring Mike Sims
President & CEO of BARBRI*

Offered exclusively to TMSL for 2013 Bar Candidates & 2L students that have not yet attended. This interactive, hands-on workshop is a great intro to essay writing for both coursework and bar study! Learn solid techniques for approaching and mastering bar-style essays.

**The workshop fee will be waived for the first 112 students that
RSVP to Ms. Bledsoe, Academic Support Asst, mbledsoe@tmslaw.tsu.edu, 713.313.4270.*



President & CEO of Barbri Mike Sims



PROFILE OF A SUCCESSFUL JOB SEARCH & STRATEGIES TO IMPROVE YOUR CURRENT JOB SEARCH

CSO Student of the Month: Mr. Earl Latchley

Searching for a job is a job within itself. It takes patience, tenacity, commitment and a host of other skills to be successful. Some law students may have an idea of what they would like to do when entering law school, but most have no clue. For those “undecided” students, they should first do some homework to make sure they chose the practice area that best suits them. This semester, the Career Services Office will feature a TMSL Student of the Month. The student for January 2013 is TMSL 2nd year student, Mr. Earl Latchley. Mr. Latchley was one the first students to sign up to meet with the Career Services Office during his first year of law school and has maintained a strong and lasting relationship with the office as a second year student. He followed the advice of the CSO counselors during his first year of law school and landed two UNPAID summer internships. Mr. Latchley refined his research and writing skills while clerking for Judge R.K. Sandill at the 127th District Court. His internship with the General Counsel at the Department of Housing and Urban Development further sharpened his eye for detail and taught him how to exercise good judgment in a deadline driven environment. The skills Mr. Latchley acquired during his first year of law school along with his commitment for excellence were instrumental in his 2nd year while interviewing with several law firms.



During the 2012 fall semester, Mr. Latchley participated in the CSO On Campus Interview and Resume Collection Program. The experiences from his first year, great grades, and advice from the Career Services Office landed him three PAID summer clerkships commencing Summer 2013. He will be working with Jackson Walker, L.L.P., Fulbright & Jaworski, L.L.P. and Coats Rose, P.C.

We asked Mr. Latchley what advice he would give first year law students and his classmates and these are some of his responses.

1. When did you first visit the CSO?

During the first week of November, my first year.

2. When did you start applying for jobs?

Winter break, 1L year and did not stop until I got a summer job.

3. How often did you visit the CSO office?

Weekly, and I looked at the CSO Lexis Webpage often.

4. Who was your counselor?

Mrs. Boise-Fontenot

5. Did you go abroad your first year?

No, I stayed and developed contacts with potential employers.

6. What did you learn in your job search?

Not to be afraid to compete or fail. Working before coming to law school assisted me in being confident in my abilities.

7. How did you manage looking for a job and studying?

Commitment and time management played a major role in my life. You have to do both simultaneously.

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8. Did you follow the advice of the Career Services Office?

To the letter!

9. Did you attend any CSO Programs?

Yes, I attended the CSO programs and attended several TMSL CLE's to meet perspective employers.

10. How did you feel about working for free?

At the end of the day, you need legal experience to make yourself marketable, so you have to put yourself in a position of competitiveness, not with just TMSL students, but with other students around the country. The employers that I worked for introduced me to several paying potential employers who paid and also helped me to understand what I could gain out of the internships that had nothing to do with money.

What advice would you give to TMSL students?

Networking is one of the key components that the CSO expresses and I have made many contacts while searching for jobs. As a 1L, I joined several bar associations and networked over the winter break as well as volunteered. I attended several CSO programs and made contacts with panelists from those programs all while studying to ensure that my grades were what employers were seeking. I also visited with my CSO counselor often and sought advice from her expertise.

Most importantly, I identified my employment interests and goals early on and geared my job search to that area. The earlier you know your interests, the quicker you are able to target jobs within that certain field.

Lastly, legal interviews are totally different from other interviews, so if you have not had a mock interview with the CSO office, sign up immediately.

Mr. Earl Latchley is a second year law student at Thurgood Marshall School of Law.





STUDENT HIGHLIGHTS

TMSL Students Organize RMBSA Convention

Thurgood Marshall School of Law (TMSL) students are playing a vital role in the Rocky Mountain Black Law Student Association (RMBSA) 44th Annual Convention. This year's convention will be held in Dallas, Texas on January 16-20, 2013. **Chukwudi Egbuonu** is the Regional Chair and has appointed several TMSL students to serve as committee chairs for the conference.

The theme of this year's conference is *Purpose, Passion, Persistence: A Blueprint for Success* with emphasis on diversity and progression in an ever-changing legal environment. SBA President, **Phillip Larmond** and **Dyan Owens**, James M. Douglas Board of Advocates' Associate Chief Justice, are the Moot Court and Mock Trial Chairs, respectively.

The conference luncheon on Friday, is sponsored by Thurgood Marshall School of Law and **Dean Dannye Holley** is the keynote speaker. In addition, TMSL is hosting an attorney CLE on Criminal Law at the Dallas Pappadeaux restaurant on Oak Lawn Avenue. TMSL alum, **Paul Blocker** is the course coordinator and several other TMSL alums are serving as course instructors (**Irrekka Clark, The Honorable Lela Mays, The Honorable Ernest White, The Honorable Elizabeth Frizell, Lynn Pride Richardson, and Stanley Mays**). On the evening of Friday, January 18th, TMSL and Alums **The Honorable Reedy Spigner, Ronald Hurdle, Houston Smith, Kirk Willis, Pam Pope Johnson, and James Belt** are co-sponsoring the Alumni Networking Reception at the Tower Club. The final round of the moot court and mock trial competitions will be held on Saturday. TMSL alums **Paul Blocker** and **David Alex** were both very instrumental in securing both attorney judges and courtrooms for these competitions.

The convention ends with an Awards Banquet. Let's all wish the TMSL student competitors and our TMSL BLSA chapter success!



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UPCOMING EVENTS

January 16th

Thurgood Marshall School of Law Lecture Series

Thomas Kleven: Equitable Sharing

Location: Dean's Conference Room

Time: 12:00noon

January 18th

2013 Criminal Law -CLE

Texas Southern University, Thurgood Marshall School of Law

Location: Pappadeaux Oak Lawn

3520 Oak Lawn Ave.

Dallas, TX 75219

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

January 18th

Dallas Area Alumni and Friends

Texas Southern University, Thurgood Marshall

Location: The Tower Club (Thanksgiving Tower)

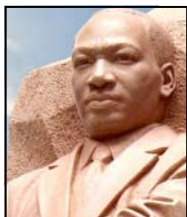
1607 Elm St. #B2

Dallas, TX 75201

Time: 5:00pm-7:30pm

January 21st

MLK Holiday NO CLASSES



January 24th

****Handling Your First DWI Case -CLE**

Texas Southern University, Thurgood Marshall School of Law

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

January 25th

****How to Go Solo Workshop**

State Bar of Texas—General Practice, Solo & Small Firm

Location: Thurgood Marshall School of Law-Rm. 202

Time: 12:00 noon– 1:00pm

Cost: Complimentary

January 30th

Thurgood Marshall School of Law Lecture Series

Martina Cartwright: Mandating Long-term Record Keeping of Donor Data

Location: Dean's Conference Room @ 12 noon

February 1st

Dean Otis King Memorial Service

Location: Thurgood Marshall School of Law

Time: 2:00pm-4:00pm

ALL TMSL STUDENTS, FACULTY AND STAFF ARE BEING PROMPTED TO ATTEND



February 8th

No Child Left Behind Symposium

Texas Southern University, Thurgood Marshall School of Law and The Earl Carl Institute

Location: Thurgood Marshall School of Law

Time: 8:00 am– 4:30pm

Cost: \$ 50.00 attorneys; complimentary non-attorneys

MCLE: 7.0

Ethics: 1.0

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

February 13th

Thurgood Marshall School of Law Lecture Series

Fernando Colon-Navarro: The Use of Empirical Data in Classroom Intervention

Location: Dean's Conference Room

Time: 12:00noon

February 18th

President's Day NO CLASSES



February 21st-22nd

2013 Indigent Defense (see page 2)

Location: Thurgood Marshall School of Law

Time: 8:30am– 4:30pm

Cost: \$75.00(each day) or \$100.00 (both days) attorneys; complimentary non-attorneys

MCLE: 7.0/14.0

Ethics: 1.0/2.0

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

-RED events will be hosted outside of Houston

-BLUE events indicate CLE's

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UPCOMING EVENTS

CAREER SERVICES OFFICE

The Career Services Office is gearing up for several Spring programs for the month of January. We are also coordinating our annual “Spring Mock Interview Program that takes place on January 22-24, 2013 and would love faculty support. Mock Interviews aid the CSO in preparing law students for formal interviews with prospective legal employers. Although the CSO conducts mock interviews year round, this is a concentrated effort before the Spring recruitment season to prepare students for their interaction with legal recruiters and hiring partners. Each mock interview is 20 minutes in length, with an additional 10 minutes reserved for critique.

For more information or if you would like to participate, please contact Andreus Boise-Fontenot, CSO Coordinator, at 713-313-1014 or an-boise@tmslaw.tsu.edu. The remaining CSO Calendar of Events for the month of January is included below:

JANUARY 2013 CSO EVENT CALENDAR

January 8-15 Student Mock Interview Sign Up Period (sign up in CSO Resource Room)

January 15 Dress for Success Program, 12pm – 1:00pm (Room 210)

January 16 Resume Review Blitz/Satellite Counseling, 9:30 am – 11:30am (Law School Atrium)

January 17 Interview Skills Workshop, 12pm – 1:00pm (Room 210)

January 17 LGBT and Friends Society Information Session, 3:00 – 4:00pm (Dean’s Conf. Room)

January 22, 23, 24 Mock Interview Program (ALL DAY – CSO Suite)

January 22 HBA 1L Minority Clerkship Program - Deadline to bid for employers

January 25 State Bar of Texas, General Practice, Solo & Small Firm Section Presentation: How to Go Solo Workshop: 12:00pm – 1:00pm (Room 202)

Jan. 31-Feb 1 Public Service Career Day Job Fair, Austin, TX

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS



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!



INSIDE THURGOOD NEWS REQUEST

Please submit your news, events and announcements in email text or word documents to Brittani Halliburton by the 25th of the PRIOR month, bmhalliburton@tmslaw.tsu.edu. Please be brief, but ensure that important details and information are included.