TMSL’S PRO BONO INITIATIVE

Through anticipated Pro Bono Initiatives at TMSL, the law school seeks to strengthen advocacy, critical thinking skills in law students while creating fulfilling opportunities for them to render legal services to clients in need

In an effort to further enhance solid lawyering skills in its students, while simultaneously establishing rewarding opportunities for students to provide meaningful legal services to clients in need, TMSL is surging forward to develop an overall structured, yet creative program to offer substantial opportunities for student participation in pro bono activities. TMSL views Pro Bono Initiatives as integral to its commitment to excellence in legal education. TMSL students will be required to perform pro bono activities while attending law school. Although TMSL students will not receive payments or course credit for performing pro bono services, such program will afford students more opportunities to participate in legal work.

Per revised ABA Accreditation Standards, law schools are encouraged to be creative in developing substantial opportunities for student participation in pro bono activities. Pro bono opportunities should, at a minimum, involve the rendering of meaningful law-related service to persons of limited means or to organizations that serve such persons. However, volunteer programs that involve meaningful services that are not law-related also may be included within the law school’s overall program.

A snapshot of several pro bono programs from several ABA accredited law schools across the country were reviewed in an effort to gain knowledge of establishing a structured pro bono program at the law school. Regardless of structure, the programs reviewed had common features:

● a program director;
● a system of tracking pro bono hours performed by the students while in law school;
● a means of establishing and retaining contacts with legal entities who have agreed to participate as hosts for the law school students; and
● a means of recognizing the pro bono efforts performed by the law students.

Amongst her many roles, Assistant Dean for Student Affairs, Virgie Mouton has also assumed the role of temporary program director; established a system of recording pro bono hours performed by the students; and a means of recognizing students with a certain number of hours at its Annual Awards Ceremony.
TMSL’S PRO BONO INITIATIVE cont.

TMSL students currently participate in pro bono activities through the following student organizations, clinics, institutes, and centers:

**Student Run Pro Bono Groups/Specialized Law Education Projects**
- African Law Students Association
- Asian Pacific American Law Student Association
- Black Law Students Association
- Christian Legal Society
- Environmental Law Society
- Hispanic Law Students Association
- Phi Alpha Delta
- Sports and Entertainment Law Society
- Student Bar Association
- Ms. JD
- Student Ambassadors
- Delta Theta Phi
- Oil and Gas Law Society
- United Health Law Union

**Public Interest Clinics**
- Post Conviction Remedies
- Immigration Law Clinic
- Criminal Law Clinic
- Innocence Project
- Street Law Project

**Institutes**
- Institute for International and Immigration Law
- The Earl Carl Institute for Legal and Social Policy, Inc.
- Center for Government Law
Texas Southern University President Dr. John M. Rudley officially named veteran administrator Dr. James W. Ward as Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs and Research during the Board of Regents annual retreat on March 7, 2015. He served as interim in this role since May 12, 2014. Prior to this appointment Dr. Ward served as Dean of the School of Communication. This appointment becomes effective immediately.

As Dean of the School of Communication for nine (9) years, the school of communication had the largest percentage of students to graduate on time. The school’s graduates are working in every field imaginable - from producers of movies and shows; to publicist at major media networks, to law enforcement to judges and writers. He credits this success to a team of dedicated faculty and staff and having a student-centered environment.

Dr. Ward states, “I argued early during my administration to maintain, monitor and operate student labs and that my team would be readily and always accessible to the students. On any given day, more than 90 percent (90%) of the students can be found utilizing the labs in the MLK Center throughout the day.

Ward said he will continue to meet with strategic groups, delivering his drive to succeed with the ultimate vision of the president. He plans to blend TSU’s rich history with its present ensuring its vibrant future. “And TSU’s future is promising and I will be working toward that end to position TSU in a global and far-reaching arena where people will know TSU by its expert faculty, and the quality of our programs and our products, the students.
**FACULTY HIGHLIGHTS**

**Distinguished Professor James M. Douglas** appeared on Houston PBS television show, *Red, White, and Blue*, on February 27, 2015, to discuss this year’s Houston mayoral race.

**Visiting Andrew Jefferson Endowed Chair in Trial Advocacy Anthony Farley** presented research at South Texas College of Law on March 6, 2015.

**Professor Sally Terry Green** accepted an offer to serve as a peer reviewer for a manuscript submitted to a special issue of the journal *Social Inclusion* entitled *Perspectives on Human Trafficking and Modern Forms of Slavery* and edited by Siddharth Kara of the Harvard Kennedy School of Government. The manuscript that **Professor Terry Green** was asked to review is entitled *Safe Harbor Policies for Juvenile Victims of Sex Trafficking: A Myopic View of Improvements in Practice* by Kimberly Mehlman-Orozco.

**Professor Maurice Hew, Jr.** presented at a March 19, 2015, pro bono and CLE initiative entitled *Domestic Violence Victims & Other Vulnerable Populations* sponsored by the Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse.
Professor SpearIt’s article, *Revamping the Texas Rules of Evidence: Style Over Substance* was the top story in the February 2015 news of the Texas Young Lawyers Association. The article is available at [http://tyla.org/tyla/index.cfm/news1/enews/february-2015/top-story/](http://tyla.org/tyla/index.cfm/news1/enews/february-2015/top-story/). SpearIt also accepted invitation from Jotwell Criminal Law to become a contributing editor and to publish a chapter in a social justice course book entitled *Critical Justice: Identities, Theory, and Action*, forthcoming from West Publishing. In addition, the Institute for Law Teaching and Learning accepted SpearIt’s proposal to teach a one-hour workshop entitled *Drafting Legal Documents in Your Casebook Course* and which will be included in the Institute’s teaching conference this summer. SpearIt similarly was interviewed in a story published by the Washington Examiner and entitled *ISIS Renews Fears about Recruiting in U.S. Prisons*. The news story may be accessed at [http://www.washingtonexaminer.com/isis-renews-fears-about-recruiting-in-u-s.-prisons/article/2560401](http://www.washingtonexaminer.com/isis-renews-fears-about-recruiting-in-u-s.-prisons/article/2560401).

Professor Katherine T. Vukadin accepted an offer to serve as a peer reviewer for a manuscript under consideration by the Yale Journal of Health Policy, Law, and Ethics and entitled *The Collective Fiduciary*.

Professor L. Darnell Weeden’s Lead Article "Leadership Matters: Saving Judge Scheindlin's NYPD Racial Profiling Remedy in Floyd V. City of New York”, was recently published in the Whittier Law Review, 36 Whittier L. Rev. 95 (2014). In the article Weeden discusses whether the Fourth and Fourteenth Amendments prohibit the police from implementing and engaging in a racially biased stop-and-frisk policy, where race is either the predominant or the only factor law enforcement utilizes when stopping and frisking individuals.

Professor Lydia Johnson presented her work-in-progress entitled *What Does Justice Have to Do with Interpreters on the Jury Panel?* at South Texas College of Law on March 13, 2015, as part of TMSL’s local faculty exchange.

Professor Peter Marchetti presented his work-in-progress *Clarify the Ambiguity of Section 546 of the Bankruptcy Code* to the faculty on March 4, 2015, as part of the TMSL Quodlibet and faculty series.
Professor Ahunanya Anga’s article *Electronic Data Discovery Sanctions: The Unmapped, Unwinding, Meandering Road, And The Court’s Role In Steadying The Playing Field*, 50 San Diego L. Rev. 621 (2013), was cited in Stephen M. Kramarsky’s article, *Crashed Hard Drives: When in Doubt, Don’t Throw it Out* which appeared in the New York Law Journal on January 20, 2015. Kramarsky’s article highlights the difficulty practitioners face in dealing with e-discovery and preservation of documents because courts utilize different standards to mete out sanctions when the duty to preserve is breached.

Professor Craig Jackson was elected to serve on the board of directors of the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) of Texas. The term is for four years and their duties are to work with the staff in monitoring and challenging violations of constitutional rights through Texas and to support the National ACLU in its efforts nationally. On February 26, 2015, Professor Jackson also appeared on Houston Matters, a local radio show on KUHF 88.7 FM, to discuss *Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs v. The Inclusive Communities Project*, a case pending before the U.S. Supreme Court. Professor Jackson also spoke at Barry University’s Constitutional Law Conference on the subject, the Meaning of Constitutionality in which I utilized the legal philosophy of Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes to critique Supreme Court decision making in the current Court. In January at the Garland Walker Inns of Court meeting Professor Jackson took part in a discussion of “Originalism vs. Organic Approach: Exploring the Constitutional Divide.” With me on that panel were Professors Rocky Rhodes South Texas and Ronald Turner of the University of Houston. Professor Jackson delivered a paper on the Texas Redistricting Cases at the May meeting of the Civil Liberties section of the State Bar of Texas. He has delivered papers on two previous occasions to this sections.
Should Children Who Play Hookey from School be sent to Adult Criminal Courts?

That was the question posed by Representative Harold Dutton, Chair of the House Committee on Juvenile Justice and Family Issues and TMSL Alum. The response of the Earl Carl Institute is a resounding NO!

The Earl Carl Institute’s Juvenile Justice Project Staff Attorney Mani Nezami recently testified at a Texas State House of Representatives committee hearing on school truancy issues. At least 20 bills, that aim to curb the criminalization of truancy, have been filed so far during the 84th Texas Legislative Session. Ten were heard by the committee. Over 200 people signed up to testify before the committee on Wednesday, March 11. ECI Executive Director Sarah Guidry, Associate Director for the Center for Government Law Zahra Whitfield, and Student Externs Mia Shanklin Allen and Sabrina Vessel also travelled to Austin for the hearing.

Attorney Nezami, an Equal Justice Works Fellow, testified to the circumstances under which many children find themselves facing criminal sanctions. He urged the committee to modify or abolish a law, which in its current form criminalizes too many children. He stressed that the current law does not address the root causes of why children are missing school. NBC affiliate KXAN in Austin, Texas was present and briefly interviewed Mr. Nezami after his testimony. His quotes were featured on the air as well as in an article.

In a recently released report, the nonprofit Texas Appleseed found that current policies led to the criminal prosecution of 115,000 children in 2013. That number is twice as many as all of the other 49 States combined. Additionally 4 out of 5 children sent to truancy court were found to be economically disadvantaged, with an overrepresentation of African American, Hispanic and children with disabilities. Texas and Wyoming are the only states that prosecute truancy in adult courts.

The Earl Carl Institute’s Juvenile Justice Project addresses the issue of disproportionate minority contact, through a holistic approach, by providing legal representation to children who are in multiple juvenile systems. These systems generally include the criminal justice system, disparate educational systems, the mental health system and foster care system. The project continues to have three components: (1) representation (2) training for community organizations and attorneys involved in these systems, as well as policy advocacy through education for lawmakers, and (3) participation in impact litigation.
The students, whose Civil Externships are through the TMSL Experiential Learning Program, were very excited and impassioned about the issues being discussed. These students are an example of how students in the Externship Program have an opportunity to transcend and be transformed from law student to law professional, while embracing all of the nuances that being a lawyer encompasses, including but not limited to incorporating the core competencies of the lawyering profession. ECI is proud to be a potential placement for the Externship Program and may be a perfect fit for Students interested in the legislative process but who are unable to participate in the Texas Legislative Internship Program (TLIP). (For more information on the Externship program, please contact Professor Stephanie Ledesma at ssledesma@tmsl.tsu.edu.).

Both externs expressed a newfound interest in working in some capacity in the legislature after graduation. According to Mia Shanklin Allen, “Attending the legislative hearing proved to be an invaluable experience to me as a future legislator. The experience awakened my sensibilities to an issue to which I was previously unaware. It allowed me the opportunity to witness what it means to “legislate” and solidified for me the role of government in our everyday lives. I was also impressed with how impassioned people can become when legislation personally affects their values or experience. Understanding the process of legislation is very different from becoming involved in the legislative process. By attending the legislative hearing, I not only better understand the process of legislation, but I have a renewed zeal to become more involved in the legislative process.”

Below is a link to the article and interview of Attorney Nezami:
http://kxan.com/2015/03/11/texas-lawmakers-should-playing-hooky-be-criminal/
STUDENT NEWS

Chris Lopez’s talk to TMSL students

On Wednesday, March 25, 2015, Attorney Chris Lopez, Hiring Partner from Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP., presented “Tips & Secrets For A Successful Legal Internship” to the first-year class of Thurgood Marshall School of Law. Attorney Lopez gratuitously committed his time to inform our first-year law students about tips and trades of the legal world that will place TMSL’s students ahead of the curve. He advised the students about the “do’s and don’ts” of drafting cover letters, personal statements, resumes, how to prepare for interview, and what to expect while clerking with a firm. The insight that Attorney Lopez provided TMSL’s students was invaluable and informative for obtaining and securing positions in any type of legal field. His presentation left students with statements such as, “[h]e was really informative”, “I must be very detail oriented”, and “[h]e opened my eyes to see things in a different perspective.” The first-year law students really enjoyed his presentation, and they have taken his advice to heart. We are grateful for Attorneys like Chris Lopez for paying it forward for our law students. Attorney Lopez’s knowledge will allow students to uphold the school motto, “Protect It, Improve It, & Pass It On!”
Danielle Diaz—TMSL’s Newest Judge

TMSL Alumna Danielle T. Diaz, Class of 2007 is now the newest associate judge of the 330th District Court-Dallas, Texas. She was sworn in on Monday, March 30, 2015.

Alumni in the News

TMSL’s Scottie Allen Named One of Dallas Best Criminal Defense Lawyers

The Dallas Criminal Defense Bar’s “Dallas Best Criminal Defense Lawyers” names TMSL’s Scottie Allen amongst its Best!! This list is generated by peer nominations which are then voted on by their peers. Scottie Allen, class of 1987 is at the top. Join us in congratulating Attorney Allen!!
ALUMNI NEWS

Class of 1995
20 year Reunion
July 10-11, 2015

Save the Date

Friday, July 10, 2015
Reception
Thurgood Marshall School of Law
3100 Cleburne St., Houston, TX 77004
Time: 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, July 11, 2015
Dinner at Eddie V’s at The City Centre
(I-10 and Beltway 8)
Time: 6:00 p.m.

Please scan and send photos of us during law school as well as current photos of you with your family, classmates, at work or on vacation to Trina Perkins Mouton at attorneyperkins@yahoo.com

RSVP Required. Contact Angela Matthews, Chairperson- msangehesq@hotmail.com

Host Committee: Michelle Beck, Tonya Holt, Melvin Houston, Scott Mitchell, Trina Perkins Mouton, Leroy Simmons and DeCarlous Spearman
UPCOMING CLEs

Texas Southern University, Thurgood Marshall School of Law
SOLO PRACTITIONER & NEWLY ADMITTED ATTORNEY
INSTITUTE OF LEGAL EXCELLENCE MOCK TRIAL SPEAKER SERIES
Sponsored by the Experiential Learning Department and Office of External Affairs

March 30th-31st
Family Law – CLE
Location: TMSL
Time: 6:00 pm-9:00 pm

April 1st
Criminal Law – CLE
Location: TMSL
Time: 6:00 pm-9:00 pm

April 2nd
Federal Bar Practice and Judicial Panel
Location: TMSL
Time: 6:00 pm-9:00 pm

April 6th
Legal Implications of Marketing Your Law Practice
Location: TMSL
Time: 6:00 pm-9:00 pm

April 7th
Personal Injury – CLE
Location: TMSL
Time: 6:00 pm-9:00 pm

Cost:
Each course cost $25.00
Complimentary for Students and non-attorneys

Course Location:
The CLE courses will be held in room 106

Credit:
MCLE: 3.00-Ethics: 1.00

Complimentary parking, food, beverages and course materials are included
Texas Southern University, Thurgood Marshall School of Law is an accredited sponsor approved by the State Bar of Texas Committee on MCLE

5th Annual
Immigration Symposium 2015

Presented by: the Immigration & International Law Institute of Texas Southern, Thurgood Marshall School of Law, the Houston Bar Association, South Texas College of Law and University of Houston Law Center

Thursday, April 9, 2015
Thurgood Marshall School of Law
3100 Cleburne Street
Houston, Texas 77004
Rooms 105 & 106
Time: 8:30 a.m. — 4:00 p.m.
(breakfast and lunch provided)

Register online today by visiting www.immigratetx.com/register
Cost: $120.00 attorneys; $30 gov’t and non-profit attorneys
Complimentary for non-attorneys

Course Highlights:
- Appeals and Motions
- Employment-based Immigration
- Comprehensive Immigration Law
- Special Immigrant Juveniles (SIJ) Panel
- Representing Unaccompanied Children in Court
- Expunging or Successful Representation: Technology and Immigration
- Human Trafficking
- All in the legally constructed family: Family Sponsored Immigration and the Intersection between Immigration and Family Law

MCLE Credits: 7.0 hrs, Ethics Credits: 2.0 hrs.

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UPCOMING CLE’S (Cont’d.)

Texas Southern University, Thurgood Marshall School of Law
PREPARING FOR THE FUTURE: LEGAL IMPLICATIONS OF
PRESIDENT OBAMA’S EXECUTIVE ACTION
Sponsored by the Thurgood Marshall Law Review

Date: April 23, 2015
Time: 9:00-1:00 p.m.
Course Location: TMSL Room 105 & 106

Credit
MCLE: 4.00-Ethics .50

Complimentary parking, food, beverages and course materials are included
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Texas Southern University Thurgood Marshall School of Law
Inaugural Charter School Board Training
Charter School Law and Legal Mandates
A four day training on the laws governing our charter schools and new mandates

Friday, April 24, 2015
Friday, May 1, 2015
Friday, May 8, 2015
Friday, May 15, 2015
Time: 9:00 a.m. — 12:00 p.m. (each day)
Thurgood Marshall School of Law
3100 Cleburne Street
Houston, Texas 77004
Dean’s Conference Room #227

Cost: $600.00
MCLE Credits: 12.0 hrs. Ethics Credits: 2.0 hrs.
CE Credits: 12 hrs.

Register online today by visiting www.tinyurl.com/tmsleventregistration

Course Topics:
1. Vision
2. Structure
3. Accountability
4. Advocacy
5. Unity
6. Basic School Law
7. Basic School Finance
8. Health & Safety Issues
9. Accountability Related to Use of Public Accountability
10. Open Meeting Requirements
11. Public Information Requirements

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Thank You Reception

Experiential Learning Program, Moot Court, TMSL Clinics, Mock Trial, Advocacy Judges and Coaches

Mr. Peeples
1911 Bagby St.
Houston, TX 77002
5:30p.m.-7:30p.m.
Thursday, April 9, 2015

For more information contact the Office of External Affairs
713.313.1197
UPCOMING EVENTS

TMSL Barristers’ Ball 2015

CARNIVAL NIGHT IN RIO

SAVE THE DATE
Saturday, April 18, 2015

SPONSORED BY Attorney Baldemar Gutierrez

Tickets and Tables Available for Purchase
www.tinyurl.com/tmsleventregistration
UPCOMING EVENTS

Save the Date
Inaugural Thurgood Alumni Weekend
April 16-19, 2015

Thursday, April 16th
9 AM - 11 AM  Alumni/ Student Speed Networking
6 PM-8 PM   Welcome Back Reception @ Hotel Zaza
              (sponsored by Attorneys Ricky Anderson & Melvin Houston)

Friday, April 17th
9 AM - Noon  Building Tours
12 PM - 3 PM  ONE TMSL Crawfish Boil
              (featuring the TMSL Step Show)

Saturday, April 18th
6 PM  Barristers’ Ball - Law Day Banquet
      JW Marriott - Downtown
      (sponsored by Attorney Baldemar Gutierrez)

To Register Visit: www.tinyurl.com/tmsleventregistration
UPCOMING EVENTS

Texas Southern University
Thurgood Marshall Law Review

Invites you to join us for the
Unveiling Ceremony

Guest Speaker
The Honorable Kenneth M. Hoyt

Wednesday, April 15, 2015

12:00-1:00 p.m.
TMSL Lobby
Reception to follow
UPCOMING EVENTS

Thurgood Marshall School of Law

Alumni Welcome Back Reception

Sponsored by Attorneys Ricky Anderson and Melvin Houston

Thursday, April 16, 2015

Hotel ZaZa
5701 Main Street
Houston, TX 77005

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Make your class gift TODAY! Go to: www.tinyurl.com/tmsleventregistration
APRIL 2015

April 1st
Criminal Law –CLE*
Experiential Learning Program
Texas Southern University, Thurgood Marshall School of Law
Location: Thurgood Marshall School of Law
Time: 6:00 pm-9:00 pm
Cost: $25.00 attorneys; complimentary non-attorneys
MCLE: 3.00
Ethics 1.00
Register online: www.tinyurl.com/tmsleventregistration

April 2nd
Federal Bar Practice & Judicial Panel –CLE*
Experiential Learning Program
Texas Southern University, Thurgood Marshall School of Law
Location: Thurgood Marshall School of Law
Time: 6:00 pm-9:00 pm
Cost: $25.00 attorneys; complimentary non-attorneys
MCLE: 3.00
Ethics 1.00
Register online: www.tinyurl.com/tmsleventregistration

April 6th
Marketing Your Law Practice –CLE*
Experiential Learning Program
Texas Southern University, Thurgood Marshall School of Law
Location: Thurgood Marshall School of Law
Time: 6:00 pm-9:00 pm
Cost: $25.00 attorneys; complimentary non-attorneys
MCLE: 3.00
Ethics 1.00
Register online: www.tinyurl.com/tmsleventregistration

April 7th
Personal Injury –CLE*
Experiential Learning Program
Texas Southern University, Thurgood Marshall School of Law
Location: Thurgood Marshall School of Law
Time: 6:00 pm-9:00 pm
Cost: $25.00 attorneys; complimentary non-attorneys
MCLE: 3.00
Ethics 1.00
Register online: www.tinyurl.com/tmsleventregistration

April 8th
Immigration Symposium Dinner
Location: Brennan’s Houston
3300 Smith St.
Houston, Texas 77006
Time: 6:00 pm

April 9th
2015 Immigration Law – CLE
Houston Bar Association, South Texas College of Law, University of Houston Law Center & the Immigration & International Law Institute of Texas Southern University, Thurgood Marshall School of Law
Location: Thurgood Marshall School of Law
Time: 8:30 am-4:00 pm (lunch 12noon- 1:00pm)
Cost: $120.00 attorneys; complimentary non-attorneys
MCLE: 7.0
Ethics 2.0
Register online: www.tinyurl.com/tmsleventregistration
Breakfast & Lunch Provided

April 9th
“Thank You” Reception - Experiential Learning Program, Moot Court, TMSL Clinics, Mock Trial, Advocacy Judges and Coaches
Location: Mr. Peeples
1911 Bagby St.
Houston, TX 77002
Time: 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm
Sponsorship Opportunities – contact the Office of External Affairs (713) 313-1142

April 10th
HLSA Banquet
Thurgood Marshall School of Law, University of Houston Law Center, and South Texas College of Law
Location: Hotel ZaZa
Time: 6:00 pm
Cost: TBD
Sponsorship Opportunities- contact the Office of External Affairs (713) 313-1142
OFFICE OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

April 11th
BLSA Annual End of Year Luncheon
Location: TSU Tiger Room
Time: 12:00 noon – 1:30 pm
Sponsorship Opportunities - contact the Office of External Affairs (713) 313-1142

April 15th
Law Review Unveiling Ceremony
Speaker: The Honorable Kenneth Hoyt
Location: Law School Lobby
Time: 12:00 noon – 1:00 pm
Reception following

April 13th-18th
TMSL Law Week
Go to: www.tsulaw.edu for more information
Monday, April 13th – History Day – TMSL Trivia
Tuesday, April 14th – Faculty & Staff Appreciation Day and Faculty Roast
Wednesday, April 15th – Community Service Day
Thursday, April 16th - Alumni/Student Speed Networking
Welcome Back Reception @ Hotel ZaZa co-sponsored by Attorneys Ricky Anderson & Melvin Houston
(Students Welcome)
Friday, April 17th – Organizational Day – TMSL Step Show – ONE TMSL Crawfish Boil
Saturday, April 18th - Barristers’ Ball (formally called Law Day Banquet) sponsored by Attorney Baldemar Gutierrez

April 16th – 19th
TMSL Alumni Week
Thursday, April 16th – Alumni/Student Speed Networking
Welcome Back Reception @ Hotel ZaZa
Friday, April 17th – Building Tours - ONE TMSL Crawfish Boil - TMSL Step Show
Saturday, April 18th – Alumni Golf Tournament/Outing & Barristers’ Ball (formally called Law Day Banquet), sponsored by Attorney Baldemar Gutierrez

April 18th
Barristers’ Ball (Formally called Law Day Banquet)
Co-sponsored by Attorney Baldemar Gutierrez
Location: J.W. Marriott – Downtown Houston
Time: 6:00 reception, 7:00 dinner & program
Cost: $125.00
For sponsorship information please contact the Office of External Affairs (713) 313-1197 or prsmith@tmslaw.tsu.edu

April 23rd
Thurgood Marshall Law Review
Texas Southern University, Thurgood Marshall School of Law
Location: Thurgood Marshall School of Law
Time: 9:00 am- 1:00pm
Cost: $60.00 attorneys; complimentary non-attorneys
MCLE: 4.0
Ethics: 1.0
Register and pay online: www.tinyurl.com/tmsleventregistration
Food & Beverages Provided

April 24th
Charter School Law and Legal Mandates
A Four Day Training On the Laws Governing Our Charter Schools and New Mandates
Dates: Friday, April 24th, Friday, May 1st, Friday, May 8th and Friday May 15th (see times below)
Texas Southern University, Thurgood Marshall School of Law
Location: Thurgood Marshall School of Law
Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm
Cost: $600.00 each day
MCLE: 12.0 and Ethics: 2.0 upon completion
CEC: 12.0 upon completion
Register and pay online: www.tinyurl.com/tmsleventregistration
Refreshments Provided
March Birthdays

Deana Pollard Sacks  5th
Gregory Hardmon     6th
Marsha Griggs       8th
Sarah Guidry        8th
Elsie Kelley        16th
Sally Green         17th
Rashad Joseph       18th
Shaundra Lewis      18th
Jeanetta Washington 19th
Docia Rudley         21st
Anya Ahunanya       23rd
Martina Cartwright  31st

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!