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ECI Honors 2017 Marcia Johnson Outstanding Public Service Award Recipients



ECI hosted its annual Marcia Johnson Outstanding Public Service Award Reception on May 11, 2017, to honor this year's honorees: **Georgia Provost**, Community Leader; **Natasha Malone**, TSU Student Leader; and **Annam Community Development Corporation**, Community Organization. Ms. Opal Mitchell Lee, ECI Property Preservation Project's namesake, also received an award of special recognition for her work as a civil rights activist.

The purpose of the Marcia Johnson Outstanding Public Service Award is to, among other things, recognize TSU students, community leaders and organizations that are committed to service in support of traditionally disenfranchised communities. The award recognizes their "strong voices at the table," which serve to improve the lives of individuals in our communities. The award is named after Professor Marcia Johnson, founder of ECI, who exemplifies what it means to be that voice at the table. She is a mentor to many and an inspiration to us all.



FACULTY HIGHLIGHTS

TEXAS SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY
THURGOOD MARSHALL SCHOOL OF LAW




Thurgood Marshall School of Law
SALUTES
April Walker
PROFESSOR OF LAW

Recipient of the
Roberson L. King Excellence in Education Award

For her commitment to empowering the community through education and service and educating today's legal scholars and tomorrow's legal icons.



HOUSTON LAWYERS ASSOCIATION



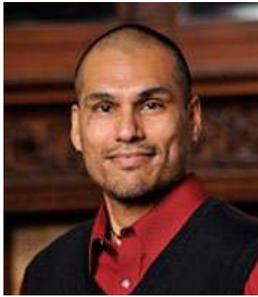
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Professor SpearIt Professor SpearIt's scholarship was recently cited in a number of publications, including the peer-reviewed article, *'Madness' and Penal Confinement: Some Observations on Mental Illness and Prison Pain*, *Pun. & Soc.* (2017), <http://journals.sagepub.com/doi/abs/10.1177/1462474517705389>.

His work was also cited extensively in the article *Should Domestic Violence be Criminalized?*, *40 Harvard J. L. Gender.* 53 (2017), <http://harvardjlg.com/wp-content/uploads/2012/01/jlg-winter-5.pdf>, and cited in *Practice Makes Perfect: New Practitioners' Perspectives on Trends in Legal Education*, *53 Wash. U. J. L. P.* 135 (2017), http://openscholarship.wustl.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1965&context=law_journal Law_policy.

Lastly, Professor SpearIt's work was cited by the Columbian National Police in the Spanish publication, *59 Revista Criminalidad* (2017), https://www.policia.gov.co/sites/default/files/revista_criminalidad_59-1.pdf.



Professor L. Darnell Weeden received an invitation to speak at the University of Mississippi Meek School of Journalism and New Media from the school's Professor and Dean Will Norton, Jr. As a result of accepting Dean's Norton's invitation, Professor Weeden, a graduate of the Journalism Department

and the University Of Mississippi School Of Law, spoke on May 19, 2017, to Professor Mark Dolan's Digital Media Diversity Class. One of the goals of the Digital Media Diversity class is to explore how historically voiceless people emerge and are portrayed in the media. Professor Weeden's presentation focused on some of the constitutional and social issues confronting historically voiceless people. During his lecture which was based on selections from his published scholarship, Professor Weeden challenged students in the class to never forget that digital media has a special obligation to provide fair and balanced coverage on issues involving the civil rights of un-

derrepresented racial minorities, undocumented immigrants, and the treatment of the poor during a massive natural disaster.

Professor Weeden also published an article this year entitled *Marriage Equality Laws Are a Threat to Religious Liberty* was recently published in the Southern Illinois University Law Journal, *41 S. Ill. U. L.J.* 211 (2017). Weeden's article surveys issues surrounding the clash of religious liberty rights with marriage equality. Professor Weeden contends that, notwithstanding the holding in *Obergefell*, the United States Constitution's safeguard for religious liberty under the First Amendment is greater than the judicially-created right to marriage equality. This article was aided by a 2016 summer research grant from Thurgood Marshall School of Law.



Professor Katherine Vukadin gave a presentation on persuasive legal writing to the attorneys and legal assistants of Lone Star Legal Aid. Her presentation, entitled "Making Your Point: Tips for Persuasive Advocacy," focused on techniques for clear, persuasive writing, even when dense statutory material is at issue.



Professor Stephanie Ledesma received an offer to publish her latest article, *"I'm Blending": "Cultural Compassion" Taught as a Critical Pedagogy*, with *Akron Law Review*, which is a top 70 law journal on Washington and Lee's Law Journal Rankings. In her article, Professor Ledesma explains that effective legal advocacy not only involves a mastery of the law and skill, but also requires a deep understanding of the client. She then examines why "practice readiness" requires law school curriculums to introduce and to incorporate "cultural compassion" as a critical pedagogy.



EARL CARL INSTITUTE NEWS

TMSL Innocence Project Honored by Houston Lawyers Association



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The TMSL Innocence Project

at the EARL CARL INSTITUTE FOR LEGAL AND SOCIAL POLICY, INC.



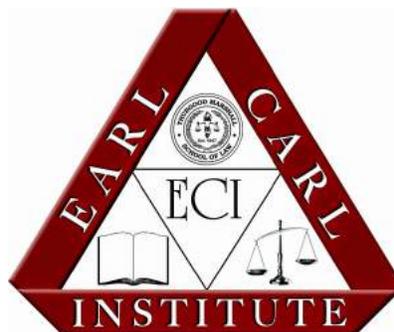
Recipient of the Francis Williams Advocacy Award

In recognition of relentless and vigorous defense of significant issues concerning the African American community that vastly impact social change.



HOUSTON LAWYERS ASSOCIATION

The TMSL Innocence Project, operated under the auspices of the Earl Carl Institute was among the honorees at the Houston Lawyers Association’s Annual Scholarship and Awards Gala on May 27, 2017. The TMSL Innocence Project (TMSLIP) received the *Francis Williams Advocacy Award* which recognizes its unrelenting and vigorous defense of significant issues of concern for the African American community that vastly impact social change. TMSLIP promotes student development through a clinical experiential model, where its students, under the guidance of **Professor Anthony Haughton**, review and pursue actual innocence claims. Please join us in congratulating Professor Haughton and the TMSL Innocence Project!



*“Creating a New Vision for
Legal & Social Justice”*



EARL CARL INSTITUTE NEWS *Cont'd.*

ECI Participates in Emancipation Park Grand Opening and Juneteenth Celebrations

On June 17, 2017, and June 19, 2017, the Earl Carl Institute was among the many community resource organizations who participated in the Grand re-opening and Juneteenth Celebrations at the newly renovated Emancipation Park. As a participating organization, staff and students distributed information on programs and legal services offered by ECI. Emancipation Park, located in the heart of Houston’s Third Ward, is the oldest park site in the City of Houston. The parcel was purchased for \$800 in 1872 by a group of black community leaders (Jack Yates, Elias Dibble, Richard Allen & Richard Brock) in celebration of Juneteenth (the anniversary of the emancipation of African-Americans in Texas on June 19, 1865).



Today, Emancipation Park, has plans to serve as ground-zero for a variety of programs serving all ages in the areas of education, wellness, fitness, and sports. In addition to programming, Emancipation Park will also host seminars, town hall meetings, conferences, concerts, plays, exhibitions, festivals and the Juneteenth Festival.





STUDENT NEWS

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT: Kierra Powell

TMSL Graduating Class: 2017 Summa Cum Laude
Hometown: Kansas City, Missouri
Undergraduate Institution: Prairie View A&M University, 2012
Undergraduate Major: Criminal Law, Summa Cum Laude

After earning a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice, Kierra began her career with the State of Missouri probation as a parole officer. From parole officer to almost a law school dream deferred, Kierra Powell excelled academically and professionally during law school. She managed to be in the top 10% for her entire law school career while serving on the board of the TMSL Law Journal on Gender, Race and Justice; participating in Community Service events, TMSL Wills Clinic with the Earl Carl Institute and TMSL Mentorship Program. Kierra, then with her three year-old daughter in tow, graduated with honors and accepted a clerkship position for the United States District Court Judge Brian Wimes, a TMSL alum. For the full story visit: http://www.tsulaw.edu/spotlight/Kierra_Powell.html.



Brown receives award from the State Bar of Texas



Each year, the Appellate Section of the State Bar of Texas presents its Award for Excellence in Appellate Advocacy to one student from each Texas law school. This year the honoree is our own Robert Brown! **Robert Brown, TMSL class of 2017, magna cum laude**, journeyed from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Houston in pursuit of his legal career. Robert graduated undergrad from Temple University and in the top 15% of his law school class while serving on the board of the Thurgood Marshall Law Review. In addition, Robert received a CALI Award for Excellence in Appellate Litigation during his Fall 2015 semester of law school. TMSL family sends Congratulations and well wishes as Robert in his career.



ALUMNI HIGHLIGHTS

TMSL Rio Grande Valley Takeover

Hidalgo County Reception

May 18, 2017, at the Home of the Honorable and Mrs. Rick Rodriguez



Cameron County Reception

May 19, 2017, at the La Gloria Ranch of TMSL Alum Noé Garza





ALUMNI HIGHLIGHTS *Cont'd.*

DALLAS CLUB NEWS

Dallas Alumni Association Scholarship Awards Luncheon

Honorable Valencia Nash—Keynote Speaker Honorable Faith Johnson—Awardee

The TSUNAA Dallas Chapter held its 16th Annual Scholarship Luncheon on Saturday, June 3, 2017, at the Hilton Anatole. The Honorable Valencia Nash served as the keynote speaker and her message entitled “Invest in the Institution that has Invested in You” inspired more than 100 alum and guests who were in attendance, to give back. Judge Nash, currently serves on the TMSL Alumni Board and is the Chair of the TMSL Dallas Club.

At the luncheon, the first African American female district attorney in Dallas county, The Honorable Faith Johnson, also a TMSL alumna, received the *Distinguished Attorney* award for her excellence in the legal community. Our TMSL alums continue to excel in the legal profession and serve the community.





ALUMNI HIGHLIGHTS *Cont'd.*

*Alumni & Friends Reception
Held during the 2017 State Bar of Texas Annual meeting
June 22, 2017, Hilton Anatole, Dallas Texas*





ALUMNI HIGHLIGHTS *Cont'd.*

ALUMNI ON THE MOVE



TMSL Alumna Dawn Blakely Harper elected Judge

TMSL Alumna, **Dawn Blakely Harper**, class of 2001, was named Municipal Court Judge in Paterson, New Jersey by City Mayor, Jose Torres. Harper served as assistant corporation counsel in the city and a municipal prosecutor during the past nine years. Harper also has a solo practice focused on family law and civil cases.

Please join the TMSL family in congratulating Judge Dawn Harper on her new judicial appointment.

TMSL Alum William “Cruz” Shaw takes District 2



TMSL Alum, **William Cruz Shaw**, class of 2009, became the new city council member-elect of District 2 in San Antonio, TX on June 12, 2017. Cruz won 56% of the vote and thanked the community along with his supporters. “This was a machine built by the community...[we] knocked on doors...and heard real issues from people—constituents of the District,” said Cruz. Cruz was sworn in on June 21, 2017.

Please join the TMSL family in congratulating William “Cruz” Shaw on his new city council seat.

TMSL Alum Chokwe Antar Lumumba elected Mayor of Jackson, MS



TMSL Alum, **Chokwe Antar Lumumba**, class of 2008, was elected the new mayor of Jackson, Mississippi, on May 2, 2017. He ran on a platform of continuing his father’s work, the late-Mayor Choke Lumumba, and states that he relies more on qualifications of individuals than a perception of promise. Lumumba plans to institute a fund to help grow businesses and implement a financing mechanism to provide city revenue. Lumumba stated in [The Clarion-Ledger](#) newspaper, “I’m going to make certain that I bring everyone to the table...I want you [t]o be apart of what I’m building.”

Please join the TMSL family in congratulating Chokwe Antar Lumumba on becoming the Mayor—elect of Jackson, Mississippi.



ALUMNI HIGHLIGHTS *Cont'd.*
ALUMNI ON THE MOVE

TMSL Alums In Upcoming Elections



William "Bill" McLeod,
Class of 2001,
Harris County
Civil Court at Law #4



Germaine Tanner,
Class of 2001,
311th Family District Court,
Harris County



Honorable Kim Cooks,
Class of 2002,
255th Family District Court,
Dallas County



Hector "Alex" Salgado,
Class of 2009,
Criminal Court at Law #1,
Harris County



Linda Dunson,
Class of 2001,
309th Family District Court,
Harris County



ALUMNI HIGHLIGHTS *Cont'd.*
ALUMNI ON THE MOVE

TMSL Alums In Upcoming Elections



Honorable Faith Johnson,
Class of 1980,
Dallas County District Attorney



Heath Harris,
Class of 1995,
Criminal District Court #7,
Dallas County



Honorable Elizabeth Frizell,
Class of 1992,
Dallas County District Attorney



Remeko Edwards,
Class of 2005,
Dallas County
Criminal Court #7



Thelma Clardy,
Class of 1979,
302nd Family District Court,
Dallas County



ALUMNI HIGHLIGHTS *Cont'd.*
ALUMNI ON THE MOVE

TMSL Alums In Upcoming Elections



Angela Graves – Harrington,
Class of 2006,
246th District Court
Harris County



Michael Sterling,
Class of 2007,
Mayor of Atlanta



Rabeea Sultan-Collier,
Class of 2006,
113th Civil District Court,
Harris County



Geric Tipword,
Class of 2007,
280th District Court,
Harris County



Sonya Heath,
Class of 2009,
310th Family District Court,
Harris County



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

TMSL Alum, the Honorable Donald J. Floyd awarded HLA Award



The **Honorable Donald J. Floyd**, class of 1972, was the recipient of the Houston Lawyer Association Weldon Berry Judicial Services Award. The award is based on unwavering dedication to the legal profession through judicious integrity and a commitment to preserving equality in the legal system. Judge Floyd in September 1982, was appointed Judge of the Municipal Court of the City of Port Arthur, becoming the first African American to occupy the position in the City. On December 5th, 1983, the Jefferson County Commissioners' Court appointed him Judge of Jefferson County Court at Law #3. He was again the first African American to occupy the position in the history of Jefferson County. During the general election in November 1984, he became the first African American elected to a countywide office. On December 15, 1989, The Honorable William P. Clements, Jr., Governor of the State of Texas, appointed him Judge of the 172nd State Judicial District Court, the Court over which he presently presides. Since November 1990, he has been consistently re-elected every four years and holds the distinction of being the longest serving elected African American Judge of a court of record in the State of Texas. Congratulations to Judge Floyd on his many accomplishments.

TMSL Alum, The Honorable Robert Johnson assigned Judge in Paxton Case



The **Honorable Robert Johnson**, class of 2001, was a criminal defense attorney for 13 years. He won the general election on November 8, 2016, to take the bench in the 177th State District Court. Judge Johnson, who has been on the bench six months, was randomly assigned the high profile Attorney General Ken Paxton case. This case alleges Paxton convinced friends and colleagues to invest in a North Texas tech company without disclosing that he would make a commission. Paxton received 100,000 shares of company stock for recruiting \$850, 000 from investors. The charges surround securities fraud and failing to register as an investment advisor.

TMSL Alum, Samuel V. Jones featured in Chicago Daily Law Bulletin



Professor **Samuel V. Jones**, class of 1995, and former TMSL professor, was featured on the front page of the *Chicago Daily Law Bulletin* in an article about his participation as a speaker for the "Social Media, Ethics and You: #ugottaluvit" discussion during the Illinois State Bar Association/Illinois Judges Association Joint Midyear Meeting.



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

TMSL Alum, Edward Pollard: A community advocate for area high schools



TMSL Alum, **Edward Pollard**, class of 2012, is a heavily involved community volunteer and advocate in the Houston Metropolitan area. During the month of May, he was recognized by the Alief Independent School Board for coordinating and sponsoring a college tour to Alabama State University which resulted in sixty-five students receiving scholarships. Edward was also recognized by Sharpstown High School in the Houston Independent School District at their annual Community Volunteers Breakfast where he was able to assist students in



need with receiving prom dresses. Annually, Edward continues to support graduating high school males through *Suits for Success*, a co-founded nonprofit organization, designed to educate students outside the traditional classroom setting in a life skills course. The TMSL family extends a special thanks to Edward Pollard for all of his community efforts!



TMSL Alumna, Rhonda C. Arnold Delivers Keynote Address



TMSL Alumna, **Rhonda C. Arnold**, class of 1996, chief municipal and community affairs officer for the Houston Airport System, delivered the keynote during the final installment of the Women's Excellence in Business Luncheon Series. The final installment held on May 17, 2017, was also the fourth session of the four-part networking Luncheon Series.

TMSL Alum, Dominique Calhoun announces candidacy for NBA Board

Dominique Calhoun, class of 2016, announced his candidacy for the at-Large Board Member position of the National Bar Association. "I'm passionate about bringing a strategic focus to the NBA on such programmatic opportunities that will create a value added for our membership," said Calhoun. Dominique Calhoun plans to "strengthen the Bar through Access and Fiscal Responsibility".





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

TMSL Alumni
Elected Officials, Appointments & Special Recognitions



Steve Bolden,
Class of 2000,
Elected Chair of Business Law
Section of the State Bar of Texas



Doris Elcenia Henderson Causey,
Class of 2002,
Installed as the 79th President of the
Virginia State Bar on June 16, 2017

*First African American President of
the Virginia State Bar*



Honorable Jason Pulliam,
Class of 2000,
Appointed by Governor Greg Abbott
to serve on the Public Safety Com-
mission Board



Honorable Derrick Reed,
Class of 2007,
The Appointed Mayor Pro Tem for
the City of Pearland by the City
Council



Geric Tipsword,
Class of 2007,
Named as one of the 10 Best Attor-
neys in Texas by the American In-
stitute of Family Law Attorneys



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

CONGRATULATIONS



**The Honorable Alice Bonner
and
Rev. Judge Beverley M. Phillips
for the
milestone accomplishment
as a 50-Year Lawyer (1967-2017)
by the
State Bar of Texas.**



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

Texas Bar Journal Features Judge Kim Cooks



TMSL Alumna, the **Honorable Kim Cooks**, class of 2002, was the topic of the *In Recess* feature story of the *Texas Bar Journal* June 2017 issue. The article describes how Judge Cooks, from one bench to another, repetitiously trades her gavel for dumbbells. Judge Cooks presides over the 255th Judicial District Court in Dallas, Texas. After exercising her gavel in the family law court, Judge Cooks then lifts and exercises to prepare for bodybuilding competitions. Judge Cooks uses her discipline, determination, and hard work re-



quired as a member of the Judiciary to assist her in bodybuilding. Judge Cooks has aspirations to become a professional body builder, and uses her healthy and active lifestyle to maintain an uplifting outlook on life.

TMSL Alum Robert Collier Awarded by NBA Young Lawyers Division



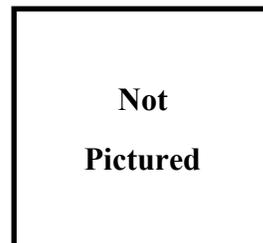
TMSL Alum, **Robert Collier**, class of 2006, was awarded the Junius W. Williams award by the National Bar Association Young Lawyers Division. This award is given to acknowledge the innumerable contributions young lawyers have made to our society and the National Bar Association. The award will be presented during the 29th Annual Junius W. Williams Awards Luncheon on Monday, July 31, 2017, at the Fairmont Royal Hotel in Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

Please join the TMSL family in congratulating Robert Collier on receiving this prestigious award.

IN MEMORIAM



Wytaine Smith, class of 2006, transitioned from this world on June 29, 2017. Memorial services were held on July 8, 2017, in Longview, Texas.



Amy Tran, class of 2008, recently passed away in May of this year. TMSL Family sends our condolences to her family in the time of their bereavement.



CAREER SERVICES HIGHLIGHTS

TMSL Office of Career Services revises its scope (re-print from TSU E-News)

The Thurgood Marshall School of Law (TMSL) Career Services Office has changed its name to the Office of Career and Professional Development (OCPD). The office plans to enhance delivery of programs and services to enrich the development of TMSL students and graduates.

“Including ‘professional development’ in our office name publicly demonstrates our ongoing commitment to the development of aspiring legal professionals,” said Attorney **Nikki Wright-Smith**, Assistant Dean of Career and Professional Development. “Each aspect of OCPD’s offerings is planned and executed with the goal of providing our students and graduates with the professional skill set needed to succeed in the legal industry.”



Nikki Wright-Smith



New services will include opportunities for employers to connect with students through career panels, mock interviews, job fairs, recruitment programs and a virtual job bank. OCPD will provide students with one-on-one counseling, student and alumni resources, and programming to boost professionalism. “Our new name reflects the ultimate goal of the office to assist students as they transform into professionals,” said the Assistant Director of OCPD, Attorney **Ashley C. Scott**. “We look forward to working with all of our constituents—students, alumni, employers and supporters—to be the go-to place for assistance with achieving career success.”

Ashley C. Scott

The Office of Career and Professional Development is located at Thurgood Marshall School of Law in Suite 213E. For more information contact Nikki Wright-Smith at nismith@tmslaw.tsu.edu or Ashley C. Scott at ascott@tmslaw.tsu.edu.

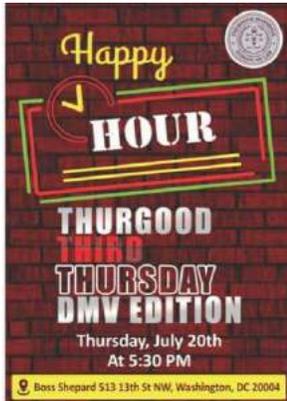




UPCOMING EVENTS

3 Clubs Host Thurgood Third Thursday

If you are in the Houston, Dallas, or D.C. area
this Thursday, July 20, 2017;
please join TMSL alumni & friends for Thurgood Thursday!!



DMV Edition:

Location: Boss Shepard
513 13th St. N. W.
Washington D.C. 20004

Time: 5:30 pm

Hosted By: Attorney Kebharu & Mrs. Mignon Smith, Chigoze Ezirike, A. Euphus Belu-John; Food sponsored by: Attorney Kebharu & Mrs. Mignon Smith



Dallas Edition:

Location: The Island Spot
309 W. Jefferson Blvd.
Dallas, TX 75208

Time: 5:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Hosted By: The Honorable Valencia Nash, Attorney Ron Hurdle & Attorney Vonda Bailey; Food sponsored by Attorney Corwyn Davis with the Davis Law Group



Houston Edition:

Location: Under the Volcano Bar
2349 Bissonnet St.
Houston, TX 77005

Time: 5:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Hosted By: Attorney Omar O. Vargas



UPCOMING EVENTS *Cont'd.*

**TMSL AND SULC ALUMNI & FRIENDS RECEPTION
“Texas in Toronto”**

TUESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2017

9:00 PM – 12:00 AM

FAIRMONT ROYAL YORK – TORONTO

Co-hosted by: Thurgood Marshall School of Law, Southern University Law Center,
Houston Lawyers Association, and NBA Region V



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TMSL ALUMNI BREAKFAST

Wednesday

August 2, 2017

7:00 am – 9:00 am

Saskatchewan Room

Fairmont Royal York – Toronto



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UPCOMING EVENTS *Cont'd.*



An
EARL CARL INSTITUTE FOR LEGAL & SOCIAL POLICY
Annual Fundraising Reception

CO-HOSTED BY: DR. JAY CUMMINGS,
DR. ROBERT FORD, &
THE HONORABLE BILL LITTLEJOHN

Thursday,
September 7, 2017
5:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Phil & Derek's
1701 Webster Street
Houston, TX 77003



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The Earl Carl Institute for Legal & Social Policy, Inc. 3102 Cleburne St. Houston, TX 77004 (713) 313-1139





UPCOMING EVENTS *Cont'd.*

**\$60,000
IN 60 DAYS**

Share Your Success
Give to the Annual Fund 2016-2017

As you know annual support from alumni and friends has always been crucial to helping the law school accomplish our mission of Protecting It, Improving It, and Passing It On. Your donations are used to support student scholarship, faculty development, ECI, bar bridge builder fund, student programs, and law school operations. We are coming to the end of our campaign year and want to raise \$60,000 in 60 days!!! If you have supported the law school before we are asking that you renew your support again this year.

We are asking that you make a gift of \$100, \$250, \$500, or \$1000 to this year's Share Your Success Annual Fund. You can do so by going to www.tsulaw.edu, go to "Giving Opportunities" at the bottom left side of the home page and click on "Click Here." Or, send a check in the name of "TMSL" or "ECI" to the returning address. We thank you in advance for your support and look forward to you coming back to the law school and Sharing Your Success!!!

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IN SIXTY



Give to the 2016 -2017 Annual Fund Today!!!



UPCOMING CLE's

SAVE THE DATE

From the Capitol to the Community:
What Happens Next?



The Earl Carl Institute's
Symposium on the 85th Legislative Session:
An Urban Perspective

Friday, August 25, 2017

9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Event Location: Barbara Jordan-Mickey Leland School of Public Affairs

MCLE Credits: 4.0 and Ethics 0.5

Costs: Lawyers - \$60; Government/Nonprofit Lawyers- \$30,

Non-attorneys/General Public/Faculty/Students- Complimentary

Topics Include: Education, Healthcare, Family and Probate, Criminal Justice and Juvenile Justice

Event Partners: The Barbara Jordan-Mickey Leland School of Public Affairs at Texas Southern University;

Prairie View A & M University- College of Juvenile Justice and Psychology; The Links, Inc.- Port City (TX) Chapter



REGISTER AT: <https://eci2017legupdate.eventbrite.com>

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EVENTS CALENDAR

JULY 2017

July 20th –23rd

TSU Alumni Association Convention

Location: Le Pavillon Hotel
833 Poydras St.
New Orleans, LA 70112

July 22nd

LSAC Forum – Washington, DC.

Location: Omni Shoreham Hotel
2500 Calvert Street NW
Washington, DC 20008
Time: 11:00 am – 4:00 pm

July 26th – 28th

TX Bar Exam

July 29th – August 4th

NBA 92nd Annual Convention & Exhibits

Location: Fairmont Royal York
100 Front St. W,
Toronto, ON M5J 1E3, Canada

For more information go to: www.nationalbar.org

AUGUST 2017

August 1st

NBA 92nd Annual Convention

Alumni & Friends Reception

Co-Sponsored by: TMSL, Southern Law Center, Houston Lawyers' Association & Region V

Location: Fairmont Royal York
Toronto, Canada
Time: 9:00 pm - 12:00 am

August 2nd

NBA 92nd Annual Convention

Alumni & Friends Breakfast

Location: Fairmont Royal York
Saskatchewan Rm
Toronto, Canada
Time: 7:00 am – 9:00 am

August 8th-12th

Criminal Law Clinic Boot Camp

Location: Thurgood Marshall School of Law

August 14th-18th

TMSL 1L Orientation Week

Location: Thurgood Marshall School of Law

August 15th

Fall 2017 OCI Bootcamp Session 1

Location: Thurgood Marshall School of Law
Suite 213 – Interview Rooms
Time: 5:00 pm

August 16th – September 15th

Fall 2017 OCI

Location: Thurgood Marshall School of Law
Suite 213 – Interview Rooms
Time: All Day

August 19th

Fall 2017 OCI Bootcamp Session 2

Location: Thurgood Marshall School of Law
Suite 213 – Interview Rooms
Time: 9:00 am

August 21st

First Day of Class

August 23rd

Faculty Development

Location: Deans Conference Room
Time: 12:00 noon-1:30 pm

August 25th

Last Day to ADD/DROP



EVENTS CALENDAR

AUGUST 2017

August 25th

From the Capitol to the Community: What Happens Next?

ECI's Symposium on the 85th Legislative Session: An Urban Perspective

Location: School of Public Affairs Auditorium
Time: 9:00 am – 1:30 pm
MCLE: 4.0
Ethics: .50
Cost: Attorneys—\$60.00
Gov't/Non-Profit—\$30.00
Non-attys /general public/Faculty / students—complimentary

August 26th

TSU v. FAMU

Location: Tallahassee, FL
Time: TBD

For more information contact TSU Athletics –
www.tsu.edu

August 30th

Touchdown Club Luncheon

Location: Power Center
Time: 12noon

August 30th

Faculty Development

Location: Deans Conference Room
Time: 12:00 noon-1:30 pm

August 31st

Welcome Back (Career Services)

Time: 12pm
Location: Room 202
Contact: For more information email Career Services at careerservices@tmslaw.tsu.edu





June Birthdays

| | |
|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Patrina Epperson | 4th |
| Michael James | 6th |
| Denise Ceburn | 9th |
| Zahra Buck-Whitfield | 9th |
| Mattie Chadwick | 12th |
| Danny Norris | 25th |
| Derrick Wilson | 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!

July Birthdays

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| Katherine Vukadin | 3rd |
| Karen Percival | 6th |
| Ronda L. Harrison | 12th |
| Cassandra Hill | 14th |
| Martin Levy | 19th |
| Dannye Holley | 23rd |
| Lupe Salinas | 29th |
| Kenyon Moore | 31st |

