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MARCH 2018

TMSL REMEMBERS

THE HONORABLE LARRY GREEN AND MARCHRIS ROBINSON



Thurgood Marshall School of Law (TMSL) mourns the loss of two legal giants and fervent members of the Law School alumni. Both men were 1992 graduates and active members of their class. Larry Green serving as class President and Marchris Robinson, as BLSA president. Their leadership and involvement with the law school and Texas Southern University didn't end with Law School.

The Honorable Larry Green had a successful law practice in which he mentored law students throughout his career. He even went on to hire his mentee TMSL alum and former City of Houston Controller, Ronald Green, they later became partners in a successful law practice. Council Member Larry Green gave back to his community and TSU throughout his lifetime. He served as an adjunct at TSU and regular donor to the Law School. His death is a tremendous loss to all of Texas Southern University and the Houston community.

Marchris Robinson was the type of individual who would have a profound impact on your life after just one meeting. When meeting him, you would think that he was a judge or politician by his stature. He had a love for TSU like no other. After graduating from law school, Marchris was the first African American briefing attorney for the Chief Justice at the Texas 1st Court of Appeals. Marchris also served as general counsel for Senator Rodney Ellis and later for Senator Borris Miles, he also was the campaign manager for his brother, Carroll Robinson's successful effort to obtain a seat on Houston city council.

Marchris was an important part of the TSU/TMSL leadership, holding positions on the TMSL Alumni Board and serving on the TSU Foundation Board. Marchris demonstrated his commitment to TSU/TMSL by founding the TMSL Bar Bridge Builder fund that raised over \$60,000 in gifts and pledges stemming from his personal appeal. His relentless dedication to the success of others will be missed. It is not often that someone possesses such a selflessness and charismatic demeanor as Marchris Robinson. He is truly missed by his family, friends, colleagues and the TSU/TMSL community.

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Their Legacy will continue through our Memories....



CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF
COUNCILMAN
**LARRY VINCENT
GREEN**

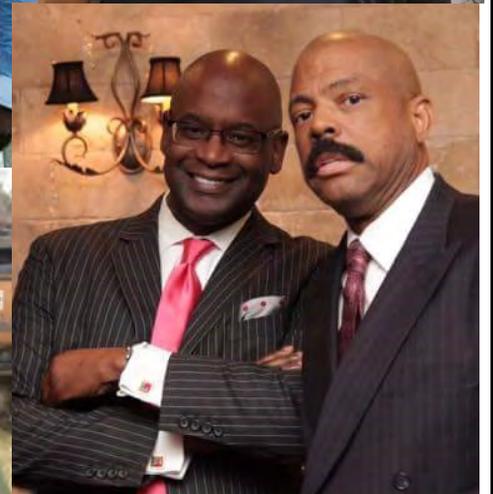


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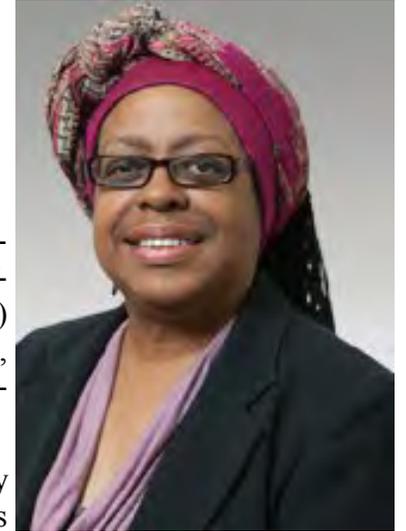
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FACULTY HIGHLIGHTS

Marcia Johnson co-founds the TSU Urban Research Resource Center

(re-print from TSU E-News)



Texas Southern University is pleased to announce the formation of its new Urban Research and Resource Center (URRC). Created through collaborative efforts between faculty and staff from Thurgood Marshall School of Law (TMSL) and Barbara Jordan Mickey Leland School of Public Affairs (BJML SOPA), URRC ensures that TSU maintains its leadership role as the academic and policy resource for urban issues and solutions.

TMSL Professor **Marcia Johnson** heads the center that will combine scholarly endeavors with community outreach to develop and expand research programs that address the University's five pathways to excellence — Student Success and Completion, Academic Program Quality and Research, Culture, Strategic partnerships, and Finances. Johnson founded the Earl Carl Institute for Legal and Social Policy, Inc. (ECI) at the law school in 1992. ECI has become a nationally recognized think tank at the university.

URRC is collaborating with ECI as well as numerous community based organizations and advocacy groups to address many aspects of the Harris County Juvenile Justice System including disparities (racial and gender) in arrests, school ticketing, detention, sentencing, retention hearings, and legal representation; with the Texas State Historical Association and the Houston Historical Alliance to gather resources and assistance in working on the History of African Americans in Houston project; and with **L. Anthony Johnson**, who volunteered with the Barbara Jordan Policy Institute, to address criminal justice reform and the barriers that released prisoners face when reentering the community.

"The Center looks forward to serving as a strong community resource and providing a platform for Texas Southern University to coordinate its many urban programs," Johnson said.

URRC's evidence-based research will be published in its on-line Urban Research and Resource Journal, through the Commons Digital BePress publishers at University of California Berkeley. The peer-reviewed journal will showcase multi-disciplinary research by TSU faculty and students as well as outside academics and experts.

URRC founders are Dr. **Michael Adams**, interim dean, Barbara Jordan-Mickey Leland School of Public Affairs; **James Douglas**, esq., interim dean, Thurgood Marshall School of Law; **L. Anthony Johnson**, project manager, Barbara Jordan Institute for Policy Research; **Marcia Johnson**, URRC director, Thurgood Marshall School of Law; and **Carroll Robinson**, esq., interim associate dean, Barbara Jordan-Mickey Leland School of Public Affairs.



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Associate Dean Cassandra Hill accepted an offer to reprint her article, *Peer Editing: A Comprehensive Pedagogical Approach to Maximize Assessment Opportunities, Integrate Collaborative Learning, and Achieve Desired Outcomes* (originally published in the Nevada Law Journal), in Volume 7 of the Legal Writing Institute's Monograph Series. The Monograph Series is an electronic journal published by the Legal Writing Institute on its web site, www.lwionline.org. The Monograph Series reprints foundational articles on subjects that are important to the teaching and study of professional legal communication. Each volume focuses on a specific topic relevant to legal communication, and Volume 7 of the series is an update to the New Teacher's Deskbook. The updated New Teacher's Deskbook will focus on topics important to new legal writing professors, including legal writing pedagogy, legal research, and legal writing careers.



On February 17, 2018, **Professor Ana Otero** made a presentation entitled "Equal Justice under the Law: the Supreme Court and the Death Penalty" at the annual conference of the Texas Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty (TCADP). Also, Professor Otero has been elected to serve as the Vice President of TCADP. Then, on March 3, 2018, she was interviewed by a reporter for a Spanish Channel—"En Portada" de TVE Radiotelevisión Española. This channel will be airing a documentary on the death penalty and the United States. In addition to sharing her expertise on the death penalty, Professor Otero will be teaching a two-day workshop on the American legal system and introduction to law at the Council on Legal Education Opportunity, Inc.'s (CLEO's) 4-week Pre-Law Summer Institute in Baton

Rouge on June 11-12. Also as part of the CLEO program, she will be teaching the 1L Prep—Attitude is Essential program at South Texas College of Law on July 14-15.



Professor Shaundra Lewis was recently interviewed by John Kiernan, Senior Editor at Wallethub.com, an online media site, about her expertise and research on guns and school shootings. When asked whether state or local gun laws can be effective, Professor Lewis explained that "while no state can completely ban firearms, states most certainly can make the possession or sale of certain firearms illegal. If the United States Congress cannot pass any meaningful legislation that can reduce gun violence, individual states should definitely be more proactive in this area." The final article about the gun industry, *2018's States Most Dependent on the Gun Industry*, and Professor Lewis's detailed interview may be accessed here: <https://wallethub.com/edu/states-most-dependent-on-the-gun-industry/18719/#shaundra-lewis>.



Professor L. Darnell Weeden's article entitled *Johnnie Cochran Challenged America's New Age Officially Unintentional Black Code; A Constitutionally Permissible Racial Profiling Policy*, 33 *T. Marshall L. Rev.* 135, 137 (2007), was recently quoted in the West Virginia Law Review by Guy Padula in an article entitled *Utah V. Strieff: Lemonade Stands And Dragnet Policing*, 120 *W. Va. L. Rev.* 469, 480 (2017). According to Padula, Professor Weeden asserts that "racial profiling is not a new experience. Racial profiling continues the historical goals of the black codes by having a chilling effect on a black person's freedom of movement."



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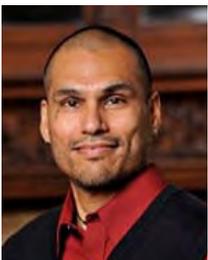
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Professor Peter V. Marchetti's article entitled, *A Note to Congress—Amend Section 546(e) of the Bankruptcy Code to Harmonize the Underlying Policies of Fraudulent Conveyance Law and Protection of the Financial Markets*, was published as the lead article in February 2018 in Volume 26 of the American

Bankruptcy Institute Law Review. The article analyzes various unresolved issues regarding Section 546(e) of the Bankruptcy Code, one of which is the subject of a current pending petition for certiorari before the U.S. Supreme Court.



Professor SpearIt has published *Firepower to the People! Gun Rights and the Law of Self-defense to Curb Police Misconduct*, 85 Tenn. L. Rev. (2017), https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=3140836.

He also spoke on this paper on a recent trip to Los Angeles, speaking at UCLA School of Law in Prof. Devon Carbado's Critical Race Theory Seminar (3/14/18), UCLA ACS Chapter (3/14/18), and at the ACS Los Angeles Lawyer Chapter/ACS Student Chapter at Loyola Law School (3/13/18). He was recently cited in a Ph.D. dissertation in political science entitled, *Law's Haze, Police Ways, and Tech's Maze: Relationships between American Law, Crime, and Technology* (2017 University of Connecticut); *Racial and Other Sociodemographic Disparities in Terrorism Sting Operations*, *Sociology of Race and Ethnicity* (2018); *The Culturally Proficient Law Professor: Beginning the Journey*, 48 N.M. L. Rev. 145 (2018).



Professor Deana Pollard-Sacks received SSRN's "Top 10%" distinction this month. Professor Pollard-Sacks is in the top 10% of all authors on SSRN by downloads. SSRN's eLibrary provides 727,610 research papers from 335,938 researchers

across 30 disciplines including, but not limited to, business, law, political science, and humanities. Per the statistical information on SSRN, Professor Pollard-Sacks has received over 4,000 total number of downloads of her articles posted on SSRN. SSRN ranks the top 30,000 authors on its website, which you can access at the following link: <https://www.ssrn.com/en/index.cfm/top-authors/>.





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STAFF HIGHLIGHTS

Professor Haughton Announces his departure



Professor Anthony S. Haughton announced he will take on a new venture as he leaves the Earl Carl Institute this semester. Professor Haughton is the past Associate Director at the Center for Criminal Justice. He first established a bond with the TMSL family in 2009 when he began teaching as an adjunct professor. Two years later, Professor Haughton joined ECI as associate director, where he was responsible for the supervision, and teaching of the Thurgood Marshall School of Law Innocence Project. Professor Haughton's career spanning over three decades, has been an invaluable asset to ECI and the Innocence Project. His departure is bittersweet and we congratulate Professor Haughton on his new position. The TMSL family wishes him continued success. A farewell reception was held on March 8, 2018, at Thurgood Marshall School of Law in his honor.





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Executive Director Docia Rudley gets Published



Executive Director Docia L. Rudley recently published her essay, *Bridging the Divide between Assessment and Accreditation*, in the New York Law School Law Review (62 N.Y.L. Sch. L. Rev. 35 (2017-2018)). In this essay, she discusses the ways in which outcomes assessment help educators understand how well students are developing needed skills and abilities. Director Rudley then examines the value of assessment independent of its regulatory context and requirement and addresses opportunities to engage in meaningful institutional assessment. She concludes her essay by stating, “[I]f we can leverage the mandates for external accountability and use assessment as a tool to help our institutions move forward and thrive in this new environment of legal education, it would be worth the effort.”

Congratulations to Brittani Halliburton-Armstrong

Assistant Executive Director of External Affairs, Brittani Halliburton, TMSL class of 2016, is now Brittani Halliburton-Armstrong. Brittani was married to Artis Armstrong on March 17, 2018 in Houston, Texas. Congratulations to Brittani and her husband. The TMSL family wishes you love, laughter and friendship.





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EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING NEWS

TMSL Celebrates Black History

On February 23, 2018, TMSL participated in the month long campus celebration of Black History Month by hosting a discussion entitled, “African American Veterans and their roles in Historic Wars.” The discussion was hosted by Dean Gary L. Bledsoe, the Black Law Students Association and the Veterans Law Students Association. Featured guest speakers were Mr. Holland Bynam, Retired Colonel, United States Army; Ms. Angela Holder, an American History Houston Community College Professor; Dr. Kendall Harris, Texas Southern University Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs; and Dr. Merline Pitre, Texas Southern University History Professor. Special thanks is extended to the Jack Yates High School Army Junior Reserve Officer Training Corp Color Guard for the presentation and retirement of the colors.



Mr. Holland Bynam
Colonel (Retired)
United States Army



Ms. Angela Holder
Professor, American History
Houston Community College



Dr. Kendall Harris
Provost/VP for Academic Affairs
Texas Southern University



Dr. Merline Pitre
Professor, History
Texas Southern University





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**Student Bar Association, The Office of External Affairs and
The Experiential Learning Department**

present

The Giant Killer: Attorney Willie E. Gary
Tuesday, February 27, 2018
5 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Reception to follow
Thurgood Marshall School of Law
3100 Cleburne St. Houston, TX 77004



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Associate Dean and Professor of Law Stephanie Ledesma and Attorney Troy Pradia welcomed Attorney Willie Gary, on Tuesday, February 27th from 6:00pm - 9:00pm. Attorney Gary gave a presentation to the student body and fielded Q & A's from attendees. Attorney Gary spoke about the life a trial lawyer, success techniques, jury tips and gave a sample closing argument to humor an eager law student. TMSL SBA presented Attorney Gary with an honorary gift in appreciation for the visit and presentation. We appreciate Attorney Gary and the TMSL team who created this wonderful opportunity to sit on the shoulder of a Giant Killer.





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TMSL Criminal Law Defense Clinic Hosts Expunction Clinic

The Criminal Law Clinic spring and fall semester students hosted the 6th Annual Second Chance program at Fallbrook Community Church on March 3, 2018, in collaboration with attorney Alvin Nunnery, Public Defenders Office attorneys, and TMSL alums—Damon Parrish II and Brennen Dunn. Community attendees received information on whether their criminal history could be expunged or sealed. The Criminal Law Clinic has assisted numerous citizens since its inception in 2011.





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STUDENT HIGHLIGHTS

Thurgood Marshall School of Law Law Review

Welcomes New Associate Editors

The Thurgood Marshall School of Law Law Review held their 2018 Associate Editor Pinning Ceremony on March 2, 2018. Guest speakers included Houston City Attorney, Ronald Lewis and TMSL alumna, Texas State Representative Senfronia Thompson. Twenty-two (22) new Associate Editors were pinned and the 2018-2019 Editorial Board was announced. In addition, *Kaplan* agreed to provide full bar sponsorships for the Editor-In-Chief of Law Review, 3/4 bar sponsorship for the Executive Editor and 1/2 sponsorship for the Managing Editor beginning with the class of 2019 and on into the future. The ceremony closed with remarks by 2017-2018 Editor –in-Chief **Countess Dudley** and light refreshments.



2018-2019 Editorial Board

(Editor in Chief- **George Oginni**, Executive Editor- **LaKai Henderson**, Managing Editor- **Elizabeth Opara**, Lead Articles Editor- **Christina House**, Digital Content Editor- **Jared Humbles**, Form & Accuracy Editor- **Monique Sneed**, Business Editor- **Eddie Hodges (Not pictured)**, Articles Editor- **Stormy Clark**, Symposium Editor- **Chinyerum Okpara**)





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The 13th Annual Community Service Day

TMSL students volunteered at The 13th Annual Health, Education Science Fair and Carnival on Saturday, March 24, 2018, at Sunnyside Park. Thousands of families and volunteers attended the event. Special thanks to the Death Penalty Awareness Society, TMSL Student Ambassadors, Intellectual Property, Student Bar Association, Federalist Society, Earl Carl Institute, Bohemian Students Association, Sports & Entertainment Law Society and Miss Houston, Hannah Johannes.





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Student Scholarships and Awards

2L receives National "Best Advocate" Award



Congratulations to **Victoriano Flores**, a current 2L. Victoriano, 1 point shy of a perfect score, received the highest score during the preliminary rounds. As a result of this major accomplishment, Victoriano was named "Best Advocate" in the 2018 National Black Law Students Association Mock Trial National Competition. The competition was held during the week of March 13-18, 2018, in Brooklyn, New York. Victoriano is also a member of the 2018 Southwest Regional Mock Trial Competition that secured first place. On the National level, the BLSA team reached the quarter-finals round.

Four TMSL Students receive ACC Scholarship

Congratulations is warranted for four TMSL students awarded the American Corporate Counsel (ACC) scholarship of \$2,000.00. All scholarship recipients will attend the 2017-2018 ACC Houston Diversity Dinner and Reception on April 12, 2018 at Brennan's Restaurant and will also be the honored guests at the ACC Houston Monthly Chapter Meeting on April 10, 2018 at Maggiano's Little Italy. Scholarship recipients are:



(L to R: 3L, **Joy Nnama**, 2L, **Bobby Forest Jr.**, 2L **Chassidy Frelow**, and 2L **LaKai Henderson**)



3L receives MABAH Scholarship

Diana Mendoza, class of 2018, received a \$1,500 scholarship from the Mexican American Bar Association of Houston. Diana was honored at the Hispanic Law Student Association 2018 Annual Scholarship banquet on March 23, 2018, at Hotel ZaZa. Congratulations to 3L Diana Mendoza on her award.



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TAMORIA JONES

Hometown: Freeport, Texas

Graduating Class: 2018

Undergraduate Institution: Prairie View, A & M University

Major: Bachelor of Arts, Business Marketing May 2010

Graduate Institution: Texas Woman's University

Degree: Master Business Administration

Jobs/Internships/Externships:

Chief of Staff, Honorable Harold V. Dutton, Jr.

Honorable Judge Elaine Palmer, Civil Court, Harris County

Honorable Judge Maria T. Jackson, Criminal Court, Harris County

Powell & Leon, LLP

1L Lawyering Process Tutor



Her Story:

During my first legislative session, working for State Rep. Harold V. Dutton, Jr., I discovered my passion – the desire to become a lawyer. In developing laws, I quickly learned the value of critical thinking which made me sharpen my thoughts. My legislative experience also highlighted the importance of a legal system in a democratic society and that the law is alive but must be occasionally challenged to improve society. My legislative duties also provided an opportunity to search inside me and nurture my passion for helping people in difficult situations involving the law. Becoming a lawyer would further my passion. Completing law school and becoming a lawyer would continue my life's history of making defeats more triumphant than victories.

What is your most memorable experience at TMSL?

My most memorable experience was in 1L year, when I had Dean Douglas for contracts. Dean Douglas had this rule, where if you were not prepared when called on you had to leave. On this particular Wednesday, for some reason he decided to do a case early which nobody had prepared for. Class turned into Russian Roulette! We all started dropping like flies. A class of 30 turned into a class of 8. I was one of the lucky 8.

What advice would you give new law students?

My advice to new law students is to remember law school is a marathon and not a race. Be completely dedicated to your studies and always keep in mind 3 years of sacrifice is nothing compared to a lifetime of doing something you love. Stay organized, manage your time well and surround yourself with people who will hold you accountable.

What do you want to do when you finish law school?

When I finish law school, I plan to have my Texas Bar Card and practicing Education Law. In the future, I also see myself running for public office.

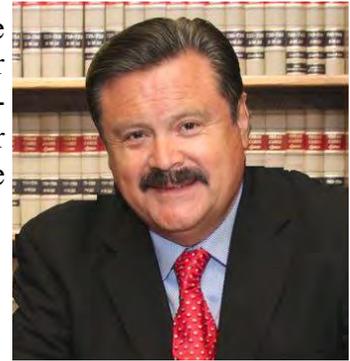


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ALUMNI HIGHLIGHTS ALUMNI ON THE MOVE

Domingo Garcia Announces plans for LULAC National Presidency

Domingo Garcia, class of 1983, has announced his candidacy for the League United Latin American Citizens (LULAC) National Office. He has over twenty-five years working for the promise of the America creating more opportunities. He believes all Americans should have the opportunities to reach their dreams. Attorney Domingo Garcia in his presidency plans to make LULAC once again the number #1 civil rights organization in America.



Vonda Bailey is Support Court with Judge Vonda B

Vonda Bailey, class of 2014, launched her on YouTube channel entitled, *Support Court with Judge Vonda B*. The channel addresses various child support questions and topics. Every Sunday, a video is uploaded on the YouTube page (www.supportcourttv.com) about a different topic to discuss. Although the channel is for entertainment purposes, it is sure to provide food for thought and educate it's many viewers. You can subscribe to the YouTube page and follow [Support Court with Judge Vonda B](#) on Facebook. Congratulations Judge Vonda B.

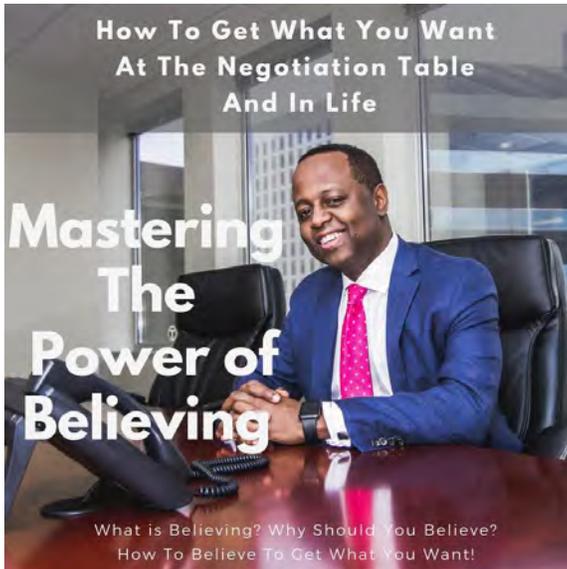




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ALUMNI HIGHLIGHTS *Cont'd.* ALUMNI IN THE NEWS



Steve Bolden releases an Ebook

Emile Steve Bolden II, class of 2000, pre-released his new ebook on March 2, 2018, entitled, “Mastering The Power of Believing: How to Get What You Want At The Negotiation Table And in Life.” The book is a quick read on about achieving personal goals as well as negation goals. The book addresses believing in yourself and your abilities; discovering a secret to success; and steps on how to believe and achieve your negotiation goal. A formulation of ideas and concepts from the Boss Negotiator’s School, the book serves to be entertaining and beneficial to it’s reader. Congratulations Mr. Bolden on your accomplishment.

Sammy Hooda is named 2018 Best Lawyers Under 40



Samir “Sammy” Pyarali Hooda, class of 2009, was recently named one of the 2018 Best Lawyers Under 40 by *D Magazine*. Hooda was nominated by other lawyers from within his legal community and evaluated by an anonymous panel. Hooda, who has practiced law for at least 5 years was deemed by his peers as excellent in his position. Congratulations to Sammy Hooda on this honor and theTMSL family wishes him continued success.



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Toni Jackson Talks About Careers in Commercial Real Estate and Affordable Housing Development



Antoinette M. "Toni" Jackson, class of 1991, and Partner in the Affordable Housing Practice Group in the Houston office of Jones Walker, LLP presented at the Washburn University School of Law Fair Housing and Financial Markets Diversity Symposium on March 5, 2018. Ms. Jackson spoke on the panel "Access to Capital: Challenges and Opportunities" about the importance of creating a financial sector that reflects diversity and how access to capital for minorities is critical to building a more robust economy.

The series is part of a program developed by the American Bar Association *Forum on Affordable Housing and Community Development Law*, and is intended to serve as an introduction for law students to various careers in the area of affordable housing and community

Ms. Jackson has over 27 years of practice experience in both the private and public sector, focusing primarily on commercial real estate and affordable housing development. Ms. Jackson represents both for-profit and non-profit developers and public housing agencies. She has worked extensively with the City of Houston; Housing Authority of the City of Texarkana, Texas; Galveston Housing Authority; Shreveport Housing Authority; City of Chicago; City of New Orleans; and other governmental entities in an effort to increase homeownership and rental housing for low to moderate income families.





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Congratulation's to victorious TMSL Alumni in the recent 2018 in select Texas County Primary Elections

Hidalgo, Cameron &

Nueces County

Rep. Bobby Guerra

Jaime Tijerina

Clarissa Silva

Ricardo Rodriguez

Albert Garcia

Jaime Jerry Munoz

Armando M. Guerra

Benjamin Euresti, Jr.

Juan A. Magallanes

Jesus T. "Chuy" Garcia

Sergio Munoz, Jr.

Tarrant County

Albert John Roberts

Galveston County

John Grady

Kerry Pettijohn

Billy A. Williams, Jr.

Dallas County

Kim Cook

Faith Johnson

Remeko Edwards

Lela Mays

Victoria Neave

Aiesha Redmond

Ernest White

Monique Ward

Etta Mullin

Valencia Nash

Jefferson County

Terrance L. Homes

Clint M. Woods

Bailey Wingate

El Paso

Robert S. Anchondo

Patricia D. Chew



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Harris & Fort Bend County

William "Bill" McLeod
Hector "Alex" Salgado
Senator Sylvia Garcia
Linda Dunson
Rep. Shawn Thierry
Rebeea Sultan-Collier
Germaine Tanner
Sonya Heath
Angela Graves-Harrington
Toria J. Finch
DeSean Jones
Sharon Burney
Gloria Elizabeth Lopez
Danyahel "Danny" Norris
Erica Hughes

Natalia Oakes
LaShawn Williams
Lee Harper Wilson
Angela D. Rodriguez
David Farr
Daniel "DC" Caldwell
Rep. Senfronia Thompson
Rep. Harold Dutton
Congressman Al Green
Sherman Hatton
Harold Kennedy
Michael Antalan
Marc Carter
Angelia Gooden
Cherly E. Thorton
Ronnisha Bowman
Brian Middleton

Frank Fraley
Fran Watson

Bexar County

Jason Pulliam
Ray Olivarri

Starr County

Baldemar "Balde" Garza
Orlando Rodriguez
Chuy Alvarez

Galveston County

John Grady
Kerry Pettijohn
Billy A. Williams, Jr.



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IN MEMORIAM

Thurgood Marshall School of Law

Texas Southern University

Memorial Resolution

Presented To

The Green Family

In Memory of

Houston City Council Member Larry V. Green

WHEREAS, Council Member Larry V. Green, a devoted City of Houston elected official, being the first and only District K council member to serve since its creation; civic and community leader; staunch advocate for business opportunities for minorities and environmental solutions for his beloved District K and surrounding communities throughout the city of Houston; and friend to many, enriched the lives of his family, friends, colleagues and constituents not only as a private citizen, but as a public servant through his valuable contributions to the interests and growth of the City of Houston, the state of Texas and the United States of America, and will be remembered fondly as a caring, distinguished and compassionate individual and leader; and

WHEREAS, Council Member Larry V. Green, aside from serving as a dynamic governmental affairs officer, business and civic servant and leader, served as a sharp attorney for over 25 years, practicing in the areas of public finance, government affairs, transportation, personal injury, real estate, business law, as well as bond, disclosure and underwriters counsel for independent school districts, cities, counties and state agencies;

WHEREAS, Council Member Larry V. Green served Texas Southern University (TSU) in multiple capacities, including leadership on the TSU College of Science, Engineering and Technology Board; visiting professor in the Master's Program in the Barbara Jordan-Mickey Leland School of Public Affairs; class president, of his graduating class from Texas Southern University Thurgood Marshall School of Law ('92) and an active alumnus and donor of the University and Law School; and

WHEREAS, We extend to Council Member Larry V. Green's family the Law School's condolences and our profound pride in being afforded this opportunity to convey our gratitude for the privilege of having such a distinguished man, servant and leader in our midst; who made impactful differences for multiple communities and constituencies, locally and globally; and who immensely enriched TSU and Thurgood Marshall School of Law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, on behalf of the Texas Southern University Thurgood Marshall School of Law family, we remember and honor Council Member Larry V. Green for his outstanding achievements and dedicated service.



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IN MEMORIAM

Thurgood Marshall School of Law

Texas Southern University

Memorial Resolution

Presented To

The Robinson Family

In Memory of Attorney Marchris G. Robinson

WHEREAS, Attorney Marchris G. Robinson, a loving husband, father, brother, colleague, and friend enriched the lives of many who will remember him fondly as a caring, distinguished and loving individual; and

WHEREAS, Attorney Marchris G. Robinson was an exceptional attorney and businessman who zealously represented clients in criminal, civil litigation, personal injury, and wills, trust and probate matters; and

WHEREAS, Attorney Marchris G. Robinson served Texas Southern University in multiple capacities, including leadership in the TSU Board of Regents, a member of the TMSL Alumni Board, and an active alumnus of Texas Southern University, Thurgood Marshall School of Law; and

WHEREAS, We extend to Attorney Marchris G. Robinson's family our profound pride in being afforded this opportunity to convey our gratitude for a man who left a profound impact on our community, and who immensely enriched TSU and the TMSL family; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, on behalf of the Texas Southern University, Thurgood Marshall School of Law family, I take great pride in remembering Attorney Marchris G. Robinson for his outstanding achievements and dedicated service during his lifetime. On behalf of the Law School and all of Texas Southern University, I extend our heartfelt condolences to the Robinson family and friends during this time of remembrance.



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ALUMNI HIGHLIGHTS *Cont'd.*

IN MEMORIAM



It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of **Kevan Beard, the son of Associate Professor James W. Beard, Jr.** and Mrs. Gail Beard. Visitation will be held on Saturday, March 10, 2018 at 10:00 AM with the funeral service beginning at 11:00 AM. Both services will be held at Wheeler Avenue Baptist Church, 3826 Wheeler Ave., Houston, Texas 77004, Rev. Marcus Cosby, Officiating. The interment will be held at Paradise South Cemetery. TMSL Family extends our deepest condolences to the Beard family.



TMSL Morns the loss of **Jon Anniece Mosely, II, class of 2002.** Jon passed away at age 59 on March 10, 2018. She was a sister and friend to many. Jon was laid to rest on March 16, 2018, at St. Luke "Community" United Methodist Church in Dallas, Texas.





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UPCOMING EVENTS

TMSL

2017-18 FACULTY SERIES SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

All Events are on Wednesdays
12pm-1pm in the Dean's Confer-
ence Room at TMSL unless other-
wise noted.

SPRING 2018



1/29/18

Faculty Research Series

Diane J. Klein, Professor of Law, University of La Verne College of Law
"The Other-Worldliness of Dying Men": Death, Testamentary Incapacity, and Vulnerability Theory Avant La Lettre"

2/7/18

Thurgood Marshall Law Review Student Research Presentations (Room 106)

2/14/18

Faculty Roundtable Series

Nikki Wright Smith, Assistant Dean, and Ashley C. Scott, Assistant Director, Office of Career and Professional Development
"The Faculty Member's Role in Enhancing a Student's Career Opportunities"

2/21/18

Faculty Research Series

Spearit, Associate Professor of Law, Thurgood Marshall School of Law
"Repackaging Abolition: Targeting Christians, Conservatives"

2/28/18

Faculty Roundtable Series (Teaching)

Moderator: Asmara M. Tekle, Professor of Law, Thurgood Marshall School of Law
"Collaborative Experiential Learning in the 1L Doctrinal Classroom"

3/21/18

Faculty Roundtable Series (Research)

Law Library Director and Staff
"Library Resources for Faculty Research and Training"

3/28/18

Student Independent Research Paper Presentations

4/4/17-4/5/17

TMSL Scholar-in-Residence

Julian Cook, Professor of Law
University of Georgia School of Law
"Policing and the Exclusionary Rule"



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UPCOMING CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION COURSES

THE EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING PROGRAM'S SOLO PRACTICE CLE SERIES

Monday, March 26, 2018

FAMILY LAW

Tuesday, March 27, 2018

PERSONAL INJURY

Wednesday, March 28, 2018

CRIMINAL LAW

Monday, April 2, 2018 *

(Ethics for this course is 3.0)

THE STATE BAR GRIEVANCE PROCESS-
WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW TO PROTECT YOUR LICENSE

Tuesday, April 3, 2018

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Wednesday, April 4, 2018

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS OF MARKETING

ALL SOLO PRACTICE CLE SERIES

Time: 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Location: Thurgood Marshall School of Law

Cost: \$25.00

MCLE: 3.00 • Ethics: 1.00

Cost: \$25.00 attorneys; complimentary non-attorneys

Registration available online: www.tmslcle.com



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THE EARL CARL INSTITUTE'S 5TH ANNUAL CHILD WELFARE FORENSICS CONFERENCE

Wednesday, April 25, 2018

8:00 am – 5:15 pm

Breakfast, Lunch and Parking Validation Included

MCLE 8.0 / Ethics 1.5

Registration

- Attorneys: \$175
- Government/nonprofit attorneys: \$125
- Public Defenders: Complimentary
- TMSL Faculty, staff, and students: Complimentary

Register Online at:

<https://ecchildwelfareforensicscle.eventbrite.com>

For more information call Sarah Guidry at 713.313.1321 or Zahra Whitfield at 713.313.1177.



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- Adolescent Brain
- Understanding Risk Assessments In Juvenile Courts
- Mitigating Factors In Juvenile Criminal Cases
- Childhood Mental Health Diagnoses
- Forensic Medical Examinations
- Conditions Commonly Mistaken For Abuse
- SANE Exams
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UPCOMING EVENTS

AN EVENING OF EXCELLENCE:

Portrait unveiling of the **Honorable Alice Bonner**
and special recognition of the TMSL members of the judiciary present and past



APRIL 18, 2018

Thurgood Marshall School of Law

5pm-7pm



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Separation of Powers: Framework for Freedom

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Tickets: \$70/Students \$125/Alumni/Faculty/Guests

Keynote Speaker:

THE HONORABLE BRIAN CURTIS WIMES

U.S. District Court for the Eastern & Western Districts of Missouri, TMSL Alum '94

SATURDAY, APRIL 21, 2018

Cocktail Hour 6pm/ Banquet begins @ 7pm

Doubletree by Hilton Hotel . 6 E Greenway Plaza . Houston, TX 77046



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April Birthdays

Ana Otero	5th
Leslie Coleman	5th
April Walker	12th
Susan Thomas	20th
L. Darnell Weeden	20th
Okezie Chukwumerije	27th



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!



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