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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 mayor-al 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 <u>Social Inclusion</u> 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.





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FACULTY HIGHLIGHTS (Cont'd.)



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 <u>http://tyla.org/tyla/index.cfm/news1/enews/february-2015/</u> <u>top-story/</u> **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 <u>Critical</u> <u>Justice: Identities, Theory, and Action</u>, forthcoming from West Publishing. In addition, the Institute for Law Teaching and Learning accepted **SpearIt's** proposal to teach a onehour workshop entitled *Drafting Legal Documents in Y our 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 <u>Washington Examiner</u> and entitled *ISIS Renews Fears about Recruiting in U.S. Prisons*. The news story may be accessed at <u>http://www.washingtonexaminer.com/isis-renews-</u> <u>fears-about-recruiting-in-u.s.-prisons/article/2560401</u>

Professor Katherine T. Vukadin accepted an offer to serve as a peer reviewer for a manuscript under consideration by the <u>Yale Journal of Health Policy, Law, and Ethics</u> 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.



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FACULTY HIGHLIGHTS (Cont'd.)



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 throught 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 pervious occasions to this sections.

