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November 2015

Congratulations to Our 2015 Bar Passers

February 2015 TMSL Bar Passers

Aqrawi, Walat
Arowolo, Richard O.
Atia, Rahan Z.
Boyd, Tyler D.
Cantu, Robert O.
Cherry, Matthew E.
Davila, Eduardo
Fleurinord, Kia
Haigler, Olivia A.
Henson, Raneca C.
Hernandez, James A.
Jones, Katherine M.
Lane, Patrick A.
Le, Nga N.
Miles, Sarah A.
Mims, Jana P.
Nguyen, Vu A.
Nicewonder, Angela N.
Noh, Esther S.
Palamarchuck, Kandyce L.
Palma, Cesar
Rayford, Michelanie E.
Roberts, April L.
Tahir, Zafar
Terhune, Bryan R.
Twine, James C.
Vela, Juan C.
Viray, Jonathan
Wingate, Bailey G.

July 2015 TMSL Bar Passers

Adaluma, Yewande F.
Aiken, Aaron G.
Al-Hakeem, Rosanna I.
Ali, Noor

Aminu, Rachael T.
Anderson, Thelma M.
Arbour, Blanca
Armstrong, Shundrelle
Arnwine, Kirstyn K.
Asea, Vanessa J.
Ashegbeyeri, Helen O.
Anzenne, Juleesa F.
Battle, LaTrice S.
Brock, Charles R.
Brooks, Scott M.
Brown, Porscha N.
Calvillo, Juan C.
Campo, Jason A.
Campos, Alonzo
Cantu, David R.
Darrett, Gregnecia J.
Dawkins, Mikeyia L.
Delgado, Ricco D.
deVille, Amber S.
Ducnas, Bianca
Ellis, Gavin B.
Galvan, Aaron
Garza, Ana K.
George, Gabrielle R.
Goussen, Vanessa M.
Griffin, Delayna M.
Hawkins, Amanda M.
Hernandez, Kisha N.
Hill, Teegan J.
Hoang, Bao-Long N.
James, Alton
Kaur, Harmeet
Lamar, Nikita N.
Lazo, Stephanie J.
Lee, Amanda
Lewis, Kendrack D.
Longmiles, Leticia L.
Markle, Robert A.

Martinez, Alyson A.
Martinez, Nora D.
Marzak, Matthew M.
McWhinney, Alexia H.
Mendoza, Ignacio
Miskell, Stewanna
Morales, Sandra C.
Moran, Andrea
Morris, Brittanye L.
Nguyen, Sean L.
Okonji, John O.
Olivas, Jimmy
Orhii, Eugenia A.
Owens, Marcell L.
Pasillas, Claudia
Pena, Rachael A.
Pender, Bailee Y.
Perez, Enriqueta A.
Perkins, LaCrecia L.
Poysler, Sharlene A.
Quander, Erin D.
Quintanilla, Manuel G.
Ramirez, Vanessa
Rios, Jose L.
Rivera, Delia C.
Rodriguez, Wendoli B.
Saenz, Marcela R.
Salas, Alexandria N.
Sanchez, Vivian C.
Self, Christopher R.
Shah, Shantia
Thomas, Tiffany L.
Trevino, Nelda V.
Vickers, Devin V.
Williams, Darrell E.
Wilson, Reginald D.



FACULTY HIGHLIGHTS



Professor Maurice Hew published his article, “All State Court Convictions for Possession of Drug Paraphernalia Are Not Necessarily Related to Controlled Substances under the Categorical or Modified Approaches for Immigration Removal,” in the *Thurgood Marshall School of Law Journal on Gender, Race, and Justice*. The citation for his article is 5 T. Marshall L.J. Gender Race, and Just. 25 (2015). Notably, this article was published before the 2015 oral argument was held in *Melloulli v Lynch*, an Eighth Circuit decision before the U.S. Supreme Court on a writ of certiorari to determine whether a state court conviction for drug paraphernalia relates to a controlled substances conviction for immigration removal purposes. In his article, Professor Hew sided with the Third Circuit on this query and concluded “maybe,” if the prosecution was able to carry its burden of proof by identifying the controlled substance related to the drug paraphernalia. After providing the standards of inquires or the approaches used by the courts to determine whether a state court conviction meets the provisions of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) for removal and/or inadmissibility, Professor Hew predicted that the U.S. Supreme Court would use the categorical approaches in determining the ultimate issue on the merits. And, Professor Hew’s prediction was correct. The U.S. Supreme Court in *Mellouli v. Lynch* held that the petitioner’s state court conviction for

concealing unnamed pills in his sock did not trigger removal under the INA. The Court rejected the argument that *any drug offense* renders an alien removable without regard to the appearance of the drug on the relevant schedule and found that, for

removal under the INA, the government must connect an element of the alien’s conviction to a drug defined in the statute.



Associate Dean Cassandra L. Hill was invited to present on an institutional assessment panel at Whittier School of Law’s November conference on “Building an Assessment plan from the Ground Up.” Associate Dean Hill shared ways in which a law school could build a sustainable assessment plan, gave participants

specific examples of assessment projects in skills in doctrinal courses, and encouraged them to document all efforts and create a culture of assessment by starting small and building a core group of interested parties. Other panel contributors included Professor David Thomson, University of Denver Sturm College of Law, and Professor Susan Keller, Western State College of Law.

Associate Dean Cassandra L. Hill’s article, *The Elephant in the Law School Assessment Room: The Role of Student Responsibility and Motivating Our Students to Learn*, 56 How. L.J. 447, 451 (2013), was cited in the following publications recently released online:

Ohio Northern University Law Review by Elizabeth M. Bloom, *A Law School Game Changer: (Transformative Feedback)*, 41 Ohio N.U.L. Rev. 227, 246 (2015)

Nebraska Law Review by Michael I. Meyerson, *Law School Culture and the Lost Art of Collaboration: Why Don’t Law Professors Play Well with Others*, 93 Neb. L. Rev. 547, 586 (2015)

Journal of Legal Education by William R. Slo-manson, *Blended Learning: A Flipped Classroom Experiment*, 74 J. Legal Educ. 93, 98 (2014)

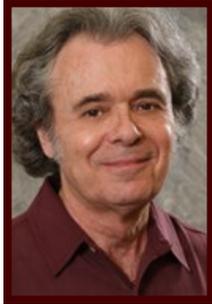
Thomas M. Cooley Journal of Practice and Clinical Law by Julie Clement, *A Community of Writers: Building a Virtual Legal-Writing Center*, 16 T.M. Cooley J. Prac. & Clinical L. 1, 42 (2013)

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FACULTY HIGHLIGHTS *Cont'd.*



Professor Tom Kleven presented a paper entitled "Why Are We Class Crits, What Do We Want, and How Do We Get There?" at the Class Crits Conference on "Emerging Coalitions: Challenging the Structures of Inequality" at the University of Tennessee on October 24. Professor Kleven's paper argued that the Class Crits movement is based on the factual premise that humans are social animals and the moral premise that all humans are of inherently equal moral worth. Furthermore, Professor Kleven maintained that, as a consequence, all are entitled to fairly share in the benefits of social life, and that a mass movement that cuts across racial, gender, religious and class lines is necessary to achieve fair sharing in the United States.

Professor Stephanie Smith Ledesma was invited to give the keynote address for the final international "Google-Call" held on November 18, 2015 for an upcoming summit. Her keynote address was based on her article, "The Vanishing of the African-American Family: 'Reasonable Efforts' and Its Connection to the Disproportionality of the Child Welfare System." The "Google-Call" was a preview to the second annual Children's Rights Summit to be held in December 2015. The summit is organized by Google and Baker & McKenzie law firm and its mission is to educate leaders in the business community on the legal needs of children in areas ranging from foster care to juvenile justice to education. A national expert on child welfare law, Professor Ledesma spoke on the disproportionality of the child welfare system and ways to reinvent foster care in the United States. Professor Ledesma's "Google-Call" presentation resulted in a personal invitation to attend the national summit in December. Additionally, in October 2015, Professor Ledesma was invited to give a conference presentation based on her work-in-progress about the importance of cultural competence in litigation of child welfare



cases. Her presentation was titled "Cultural Competence and Inherent Bias: Their Impact on Quality Parental Representation." The conference theme was "Child Welfare Law Conference and Youth Court Seminar: Improving Outcomes for Children and Families through Advocacy, Innovation and Collaboration" and the conference was hosted by the Mississippi School of Law, the Mississippi First Legal Aid Office, the Mississippi Access to Justice Commission, and the Mississippi Administrative Office of Judges. Other conference attendees included State Legislator Kimberly Campbell, Mississippi Supreme Court Justice Randy Pierce, and State Court Judge Virginia Carlton. Lastly, Professor Ledesma presented another work-in-progress to the TMSL faculty in November as part of the Faculty Roundtable Series on Teaching. Professor Ledesma engaged the faculty in a discussion on preparing our students to be competent practitioners and critically assessing the school's offerings and efforts to equip our graduates for the realities of practice.





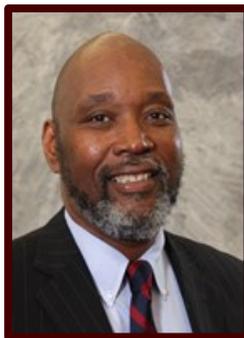
FACULTY HIGHLIGHTS *Cont'd.*



Professor SpearIt spoke at a number of recent events that include: the University of Houston Law Center CLE, “Fostering Equality,” where he spoke on the panel “Law and Religion: The Legal, Secular & Religious Issues of Same Sex Marriage” (October 15, 2015); Florida International University School of Law CLE, “Religion and the Law,” where spoke on the panel “Freedom of Religion & Expression” (October 23, 2015); Lone Star College, where he gave a presentation entitled “Structural Harm in the Age of Mass Incarceration” (October 29, 2015); University of Memphis School of Law, where he presented his work “Sonic Jihad: Muslim Hip Hop in the Age of Mass Incarceration” (November 6, 2015). Finally, SpearIt was recognized in the American Bar Association Criminal Justice Section’s 2014-2015 ANNUAL REPORT for his work in drafting a resolution that was adopted by the ABA in summer 2015; the report is available at: http://www.americanbar.org/content/dam/aba/publications/criminaljustice/annualreport_2015.authcheckdam.pdf.

woman’s right to an abortion. The issue addressed is whether a vague right to privacy denies a state an opportunity to regulate an abortion in order to protect the post conception right of an innocent life as well as a woman’s health. Professor Weeden concludes that the right to privacy is vague and that a Fourth Amendment approach might have produced a narrower, but more coherent doctrine of privacy rights.

Professor L. Darnell Weeden has accepted an offer from the *Indonesian Journal of International & Comparative Law* to publish his article entitled *The Problematic Right to an Abortion from a Natural Law Perspective*. In his article, Professor Weeden contends the right of privacy has expanded significantly since it was effectively utilized fifty years ago to invalidate the conviction of individuals for violating Connecticut’s birth control law in *Griswold*. The right to privacy continues to create controversy in the twenty first century as an unacceptable legal theory or as a constitutional right among some respected legal scholars because the term privacy does not appear in the United States Constitution. The regulation of abortion rights based on a right to privacy continues as a topic of public interest because recent abortion regulations are viewed by some as placing an undue burden on a





ECI HIGHLIGHTS

THE EARL CARL INSTITUTE FOR LEGAL & SOCIAL POLICY, INC. RECEIVES GRANT FROM THE TEXAS BAR FOUNDATION TO SUPPORT THE WORK OF THE THURGOOD MARSHALL SCHOOL OF LAW INNOCENCE PROJECT



The Earl Carl Institute (ECI) is pleased to announce it has received a grant from the Texas Bar Foundation for its Thurgood Marshall School of Law Innocence Project (TMSLIP). These funds will support the TMSLIP *Hair Microscopy Review Project* (HMRP) and will be primarily used to pay for a part time attorney to review hair and fiber evidence cases under review by the Texas Forensic Sciences Commission.

In April of this year, the FBI stunned the legal community with its acknowledgment that testimony by its forensic scientists about hair identification was scientifically indefensible in nearly every one of more than 250 cases reviewed. The FBI’s initial review came years after DNA testing had shown that hair comparisons were little more than junk science, which in turn led to the FBI and almost every State to start reviewing all hair comparison expert testimony for potential wrongful convictions of innocent persons. The Department of Justice coordinated efforts to review FBI testimony about hair analysis in more than 2,500 cases in more than 40 states from 1985 to 1999. The results of the first 268 cases examined found that FBI testimony was fundamentally flawed in 257 of those cases — a stunning 96% of the total. Of those defendants, 33 received the death penalty and nine have been executed so far.



Because truth matters.

Texas, under the leadership of the Texas Forensic Science Commission (TFSC), is currently undertaking the same sort of review of cases employing hair comparison evidence and testimony as positive, probative evidence of guilt. To date, the TFSC has identified more than 270 cases where hair comparison evidence may have played a significant role in criminal convictions. The efforts to identify all such cases is ongoing. Most of the cases that have been identified need to be reviewed for error through document collection and review, transcript review, and witness interviews. The Earl Carl Institute is seeking to fill a contract position for a part-time (20 hours/week) Staff Attorney for this Project. The position will be responsible for all aspects of review of criminal cases where hair comparison evidence may have played a significant role in a conviction. The position may also require some litigation of the cases reviewed. Past experience working with an Innocence Project is a plus but not required. Anyone interested in the position should contact Sarah Guidry at 713.313.1139 and email a resume to srguidry@tmslaw.tsu.edu.



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ECI's goal with the Hair Microscopy Review Project, under the supervision of **Professor Anthony S. Haughton**, is to assist in reviewing the cases identified by the TFSC where there was a positive, probative association made by a hair examiner in a laboratory report, and the examiner either: (a) provided subsequent testimony as an expert witness at trial; or (b) included scientifically invalid language in the report to such a degree that the defendant's plea could not have been involuntary. This funding will provide enhanced legal assistance to innocent persons, who due to now recognized flawed forensic sciences, have been wrongfully convicted.

Sarah R. Guidry, Executive Director of the Earl Carl Institute, states "That it is an honor to receive this grant award for our Institute. Like most statistics associated with our criminal justice system, the problem of wrongful conviction impacts the African American community more than any other. This grant award further validates our tireless commitment towards reducing the negative impact of the criminal justice system on people of color."

Since its inception in 1965, the Texas Bar Foundation has awarded more than \$16 million in grants to law-related programs. Supported by members of the State Bar of Texas, the Bar Foundation is the nation's largest charitably-funded bar Foundation.





Office of Career Services STUDENT HIGHLIGHT

Monica Alyssa Lopez – Thurgood Marshall School of Law, JD Candidate 2016



Monica Alyssa Lopez is currently a 3L at Thurgood Marshall School of Law and is from Mission, Texas, in South Texas. Monica received a Bachelor of Arts in Government with a minor in Business Administration at the University of Texas at Austin. In Summer 2015, Monica worked at Jackson Walker, LLP, as a summer associate. Most recently, she has accepted an offer to work at Jackson Walker upon graduation, where she will join the Corporate and Securities department.

Monica has gained invaluable legal experience throughout her law school career at TMSL. During her 1L summer, Monica participated in the 1L HBA Minority Opportunities in the Legal Profession (MOILP) Program. She clerked with Judge Alexandra Smoots-Hogan of the 164th Civil District Court and Julie Pi Evans Law Firm, where she still works part-time. She is also a legal research assistant for Professor SpearIt and Co-Chair of the SBA-Career Services Committee.

Additionally, Monica volunteers with the American Cancer Society-Cancer Action Network (ACS-CAN), which is the advocacy arm of the American Cancer Society. During her undergraduate years Monica lost both of her parents to cancer. Now she advocates for cancer-fighting policies, such as increasing cancer research funding, lobbying local state and federal legislators and, most recently, in September, traveling to Washington, DC, for Cancer Lobby Day.

Monica is an alumna of the Gates Millennium Scholarship (GMS) Program that helped fund her undergraduate degree and she continues to stay involved with the GMS Alumni Association. In October 2015, Monica was asked to speak at the U.S. Education Learning Forum hosted by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation in Bellevue, Washington, where she met Bill Gates. In the first week of November, Monica traveled to Santa Clara, California, to speak about her personal and educational experiences to over 400 new Gates Scholars in their first year of college at the 2015 GMS Leadership Conference.

Monica aspires to use her story to make a positive influence and impact on the community, as well as, continue to excel in her professional career. She attributes her successes in law school to professors, mentors, and alumni that continue to reach out and push others forward.





TMSL SBA

NOVEMBER 2015

Student Bar Association: Organization Highlights



*Thurgood Marshall
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proudly welcomes its newly
inducted members!



Pictured Above: Akeem Ayinde, Nicci Campbell, Danielle Casarez, Aduago Duru, Teresa Glascoe, Tom Huynh, Stacy Johnson, Kaitlin Lara, Tanica Mann, Natasha Martinez, Aisha Nash, Celese Nickleberry, Kierra Powell, Ashley Ramos, Taft Robinson,

Oil and Gas Society AIPN

After a long year of hard work, our TMSL Oil and Gas Society became a member of the Association of International Petroleum Negotiators (AIPN). The AIPN is a private association that supports international energy negotiators around the world and enhances their effectiveness and professionalism in the international energy community.

The Oil and Gas Society's main focus is to provide our members with the tools necessary to excel in the Oil & Gas law profession through educating students about the field and giving ample opportunities of internships within the Energy sector.

In an effort to keep our members involved in Houston's exceptional network of Oil & Gas business professionals we participated in over twenty Oil & Gas events 2014/2015 and presented nineteen Oil & Gas society student members with scholarships.

Let's make this upcoming year even more successful. Please join us on Facebook at TSML Oil & Gas Society AIPN and be on the lookout for such upcoming events as town hall meetings with Oil & Gas HR department heads and opportunities to network with Oil & Gas professionals at Oil & Gas sponsored community service events.



STUDENT HIGHLIGHTS

Mack Kidd Moot Court Competition

Our team competed at the Mack Kidd Administrative Law Moot Court Competition October 16, and 17, 2015 in Austin, Texas. Judges for the competition are recruited from the private sector, agency legal staff, and the judiciary. Justices from the Third Court of Appeals traditionally judge the final round, which is held in the Courts' chambers. We are so proud of our participants and the wonderful job they did.



Marcella Haggar, Smaranda Draghia



Ryan Putz, Timothy Rose



ALUMNI HIGHLIGHTS
Corpus Christi Fundraiser
Hosted by Attorney Evelyn Huerta Gonzalez
November 5, 2015





ALUMNI HIGHLIGHTS

Dallas Fundraiser

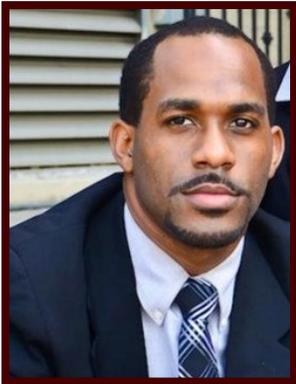
*Hosted by the Honorable Domingo Garcia and Dr. Elba Garcia
November 19, 2015*





ALUMNI HIGHLIGHTS ALUMNI IN THE NEWS

Danny Norris' Commentary in Houston Chronicle Article on Goforth Case



Danyahel “Danny” Norris, TMSL Class of 2007 and TMSL Associate Director of the Law Library, provided commentary about the capital murder indictment against Shannon Miles for the death of Harris County Sheriff’s Deputy Darren Goforth. Norris’ comments were particularly about the “retaliation” claim that was added to the indictment in which Norris says “neutralizes Goforth’s purpose for his presence at the gas station.” Norris further referenced the Harris County Sheriff and Harris County DA’s blame of the *Black Lives Matter* movement enticing violence towards others. To read the full article entitled *Indictment in deputy’s death cites retaliation as a motive*, go to: <https://www.google.com/webhp?sourceid=chrome-instant&ion=1&espv=2&ie=UTF-8#q=Indictment+in+deputy's+death+cites+retaliation+as+motive>



ALUMNI HIGHLIGHTS *ALUMNI ON THE MOVE*

Attorney Clyde Miller's Bigger Pie in Life



TMSL Alum, **Clyde Miller**, Class of 1987, has had a passion for cooking since his early childhood days. Clyde started baking with his mother during the holidays because as a kid, he had a sweet tooth. He realized as a young child that “if you wanted a bigger pie in life, you have to make your own.” To this day, Clyde applies this motto in life and in his business.



A long-time civil litigation and tax attorney, Clyde Miller decided to take his love for cooking and turn it into a second business. With the support of his lovely wife, TMSL alumna, Jackie Miller, and their children, Morgan and Madison, Clyde has made it a family affair. Morgan is responsible for all of the graphic art, web design, and social media, and Madison, along with his father, runs the day-to-day operations of the business. Clyde has been able to make his dream a reality. The relaunched, Dem Bones Bob-B-Q is presently a food truck and catering company located throughout Houston, TX. Clyde says that “cooking is simple.” He simply describes his moist and tender bbq and sumptuous sides as “using the correct temperature for the correct length of time and everything else (seasoning) is personal.” That sums up his concept!

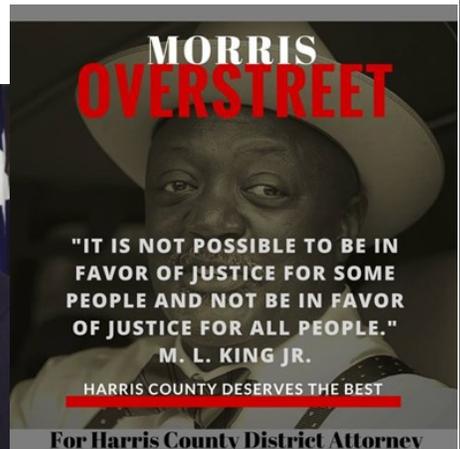
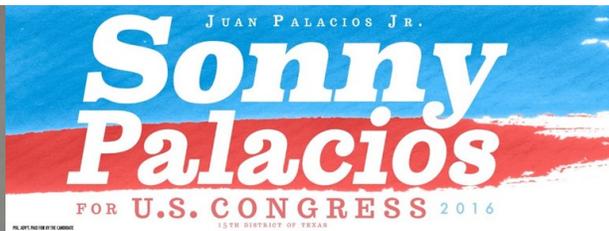


ALUMNI HIGHLIGHTS ALUMNI ON THE MOVE

TMSL Alums Announce Candidacy

More TMSL alums announce their candidacy in some very important upcoming elections. **Juan Palacios**, TMSL class of 2003 (United State Congress, Texas-District 15, Rio Grand Valley); **Morris Overstreet**, TMSL class of 1975 (Harris County District Attorney); and **Victoria Neave**, TMSL class of 2009 (Texas State Representative-District 107, Dallas).

A new campaign is forming called TMSL 4 TMSL where TMSL alumni and friends show their support for TMSL candidates in elections throughout the country. See previously announced TMSL alums candidacy in the September Issue of *Thurgood Today*.





UPCOMING EVENTS



THURGOOD MARSHALL SCHOOL OF LAW
TEXAS SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY

New York City Area Alumni & Friends Reception

*Dean Dannye Holley Invites you to join School of Law faculty,
staff and TMSL New York area alumni for a cocktail reception*

Thursday, January 7, 2016

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Held during the 2016 ALS Conference

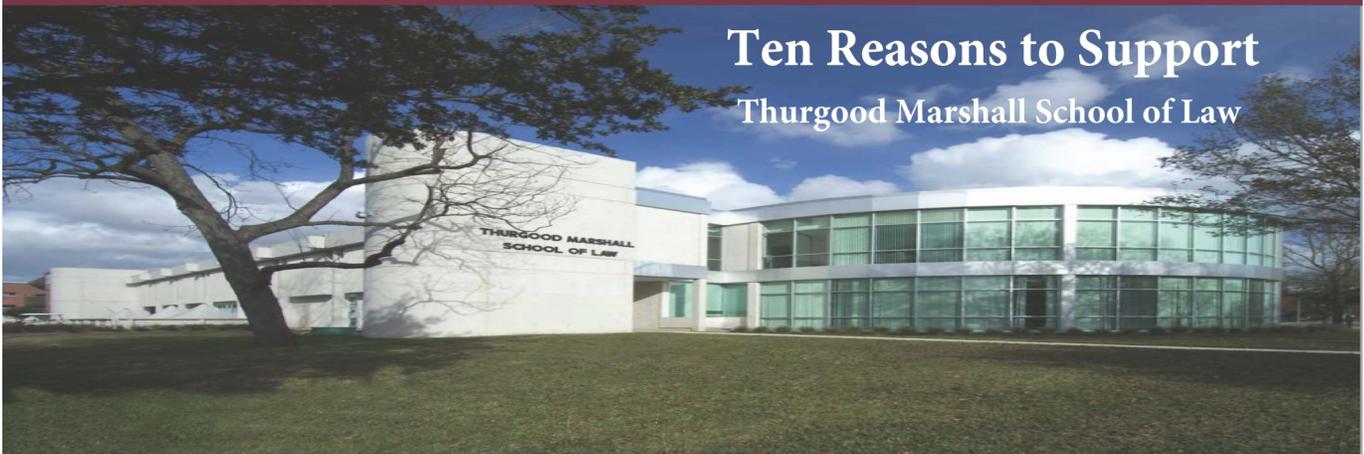
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Ten Reasons to Support Thurgood Marshall School of Law



“From an early age, it was always my dream to attend Thurgood Marshall School of Law (TMSL). I chose TMSL because of how welcoming it felt here; you immediately feel part of the law school family. I was captivated by how my mentors helped guide me through my first year and continued to push me through my first year and continued to push me through my last two years. Their unwavering support of me and other classmates confirmed that I made the right decision in choosing TMSL” — Cervana Shanklin, Alum '15

1. Our Reputation

We are one of 15 law schools nationwide that has notably improved its reputation with lawyers and judges since 2012.

2. Our Advocacy Programs

In the last three years, our Mock Trial and Moot Court Teams have gained national recognition for the quality of their preparation and performance. Both teams have advanced to final rounds in national and regional competitions.

3. Our Valued Externships

Many of our third year students have successfully completed externships with the state supreme court, district judges, state legislators, First Lady of the United States Michelle Obama, and district and county attorney's offices.

4. Our National Recognition

Thurgood Marshall School of Law was admitted into the esteemed membership of the Association of American Law Schools (AALS) in January 2014. The Law School received a national vote of

confidence from the AALS in its direction, faculty, academic and accountability programs and most importantly, in its ability to engage with students to produce competitive and capable lawyers.

5. Our Collaborations

We provide opportunities for our students to experience an array of legal practices and focus on developing excellent lawyering skills through our collaboration with the Legal Clinics and the Earl Carl Institute for Legal and Social Policy, Inc. on campus.

6. Our Regional Impact

With only 5% of total Texas law school enrollment, Thurgood Marshall School of Law, in the last five years, has produced 43% of all the newly licensed African-American attorneys in the state of Texas who are graduates from one of the nine Texas law schools.

7. Our Alumni

We proudly include among our alumni leading members of the U.S. House of Representatives; federal and state trial and appellate judges; key partners in law firms; government attorneys; and sports and entertainment attorneys. Our persistence in producing a substantial number of attorneys in South Texas is highly commendable.

8. Our Student Accomplishments

Our students continue to win and receive recognition for their participation and performance in legal writing competitions and other scholarly activities.

9. Our Diversity

For more than a decade, our Law School has been firmly established as one of the nation's most diverse law schools.

10. Our Mission, Our Vision, Our Values

For the last seven decades, Thurgood Marshall School of Law has been heralded as an institution of opportunity and inclusion that continues to rise on its standards of equality and excellence.



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EVENTS CALENDAR

DECEMBER 2015

Happy Holidays!!!

December 1st – 11th

Final Examinations

December 13th

Commencement

December 14th – 17th

Bar Workshops- OAS

Location: Thurgood Marshall School of Law

JANUARY 2016

January 4th

School Opens

January 6th-10th

2016 AALS Annual Conference

Location: New York City

January 9th and 10th

Externship Mandatory Boot Camp

Location: Thurgood Marshall School of Law

Time: Saturday – 10:00 am

Sunday – 4:00 pm

January 11th

First Day of Class

January 13th

Last Day to ADD/DROP

January 13th

Scholarly Exchange

Location: Deans Conference Room

Time: 12:00 noon-1:30 pm

January 15th

2016 Criminal Law-CLE (Dallas)

Texas Southern University, Thurgood Marshall School of

Law

Location: Pappadeaux-Oaklawn

Time: 12:00 noon – 4:00 pm

Cost: \$60.00 attorneys; \$30.00 gov't and non-profit attorneys; complimentary non attorneys

MCLE: 4.0

Ethics: 1.0

Register online: www.tinyurl.com/tmsleventregistration

January 18th

MLK Holiday

January 20th

Faculty Roundtable Series (Research), “So You’ve Published Your Article: How to Market Your Work and You” – Professor Craig Jackson and Assistant Dean Susan Bynam

Location: Deans Conference Room

Time: 12:00 noon-1:30 pm

January 22nd

Legal Technology & E-Discovery for the Solo Practitioner Texas Southern University, Thurgood Marshall School of Law

Location: TMSL

Time: 12:00 noon – 4:00 pm

Cost: \$60.00 attorneys; \$30.00 gov't and non-profit attorneys; complimentary non attorneys

MCLE: 4.0

Ethics: 1.0

Register online: www.tinyurl.com/tmsleventregistration

January 27th

Faculty Roundtable Series (Research), TMSL Student Publications Review- a new series in which TMSL students present their published articles and forthcoming publications

Location: Deans Conference Room

Time: 12:00 noon-1:30 pm

January 29th

Bankruptcy - CLE

Texas Southern University, Thurgood Marshall School of Law

Location: TMSL

Time: 12:00 noon – 4:00 pm

Cost: \$60.00 attorneys; complimentary non-attorneys

MCLE: 4.0

Ethics: 1.0

Register online: www.tinyurl.com/tmsleventregistration



November Birthdays



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|----------------------------|-------------|
| Kristopher Chrishon | 2nd |
| Andreience Fields | 15th |
| Anthony Haughton | 15th |
| Walter Champion | 22nd |
| Maia Ford | 25th |
| Daniel Brackmann | 30th |
| James Muldrew | 30th |



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!



THURGOOD MARSHALL SCHOOL of LAW

AN EXAMPLE OF DIVERSITY IN HIGHER EDUCATION

“Protect It, Improve It, Pass It on”