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**Thurgood Marshall School of Law
Texas Southern University
Hosts the
2009 Sports & Entertainment Law Conference**

Texas Southern University, Thurgood Marshall School of Law and the Sports and Entertainment Law Society will host the *2009 Sports & Entertainment Law Conference* on Thursday, February 26, 2009. This conference is being held at Thurgood Marshall School of Law from 10:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. and offers 4.00 MCLE hours and 2.50 Ethics for attorneys licensed in the State of Texas. Admission is \$40.00 for attorneys and complimentary admission is granted to students and other professionals interested in Sports & Entertainment Law.

The *2009 Sports & Entertainment Law Conference* confirmed Entertainment Law panelists include: **Ricky Anderson**, Anderson & Smith, P.C.; **Roslyn Bazelle**, Weycer Kaplan Pulaski & Suber, P.C.; **Derrick King**, Attorney at Law; **James McMillian**, Attorney at Law; **Maricia Magana**; Interscope Records; and **Charles Portz**, Portz & Portz.

The confirmed Sports Law panelists include: **Dr. Lawrence Ruddell**, Assistant Professor, Houston Baptist University; **Walter Champion**, George Foreman Professor of Law, Thurgood Marshall School of Law, Texas Southern University; **Carl Poston**, McKenzie & Poston; and **Gita Bolt**, Associate General Counsel, Texas Southern University. All panelists are subject to change.

Melvin Houston, Melvin Houston & Associates, P.C. and **Earl Wilson**, Brooker, Richardson and Assoc., PLLC will serve as moderators.

Among the topics to be discussed are: “**Music Contracts**”; “**Sports Ethics**”; “**NCAA**”; “**NFL Unions**”; “**Advising the Undiscovered Artist or the Independent Record Label**”; “**Intellectual Property Protection (Trademarks/Copyrights)**”; and “**Film Contracts**”.

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