



Texas Southern University
THURGOOD MARSHALL SCHOOL OF LAW

DEAN'S WEEKLY UPDATE
March 4, 2005

Significant Activities, Requests, or Information

Information

Justice of the Peace Zinetta Burney, Class of 1970, delivered the keynote address at Charter Day on Thursday March 3, 2005. Judge Burney, a former UH regent, is a strong financial and personal supporter of the University. This year's Charter Day celebrated the University's 58th birthday.

Monthly Faculty Meeting

The monthly meeting of the law faculty was held on Tuesday May 2, 2005. At the meeting, the faculty approved the establishment of the first two titled professorships (Earl Carl and Robeson King) for the School of Law. Both Carl and King were founding faculty members of the School of Law.

Listed below is a biographical synopsis of the titled professorships provided by the Committee:

Earl Carl (1919-1996) came to the School of Law in 1948 and served for the next 39 years with distinction. Carl, who was blind since the age of 16, attended Fisk University for his undergraduate degree and later Yale University for his Juris Doctorate (J.D.) and Masters of Law (LL.M.) degrees. He was a great professor who received the "Professor of the Year" award many times during his teaching career. Previously, Professor Carl was honored as a Distinguished Professor and Professor Emeritus by the Texas Southern University Board of Regents.

Roberson Lloyd King practiced for more than 50 years and had also served as a professor at Thurgood Marshall School of Law for more than 30 years. A native Texan, King grew up wanting to be a doctor like his father. It was in college that Roberson King decided to further his studies in law school. He credited Texas Southern University for helping him specialize in research and labor law. For the future success of law students, Professor King stressed the need for hard work and a lot of cooperation from students and the school administration.

Office of Academic Support

The School of Law will commence its in-house bar preparation program on Saturday March 5, 2005. All lectures will be conducted by Bar-bri, the premier bar preparation

organization in the United States. For the next seven weeks, the lectures will focus on the multi-state portion of the bar exam. The lectures are offered at no cost to law students.

Continuing Legal Education Programs

On March 5, 2005, Professors Fong and Colon-Navarro will host an Immigration Law CLE.

Law Review will host a symposium with seven hours of CLE credit on March 12, 2005.

Staff Training

The weekly staff training was held on Friday March 4, 2005, in the computer training lab.

Office of Admissions

The Office sponsored an Open House event for prospective students on Friday, February 25 and Saturday, February 26. The purpose of the event was to provide an opportunity for admitted and prospective students to tour the law school and visit with faculty. Over 120 prospective students attended the program. Additionally, the School of Law's Office of Financial Aid held a Financial Aid Fair in the student snack bar on Friday, March 4, 2005.

Office of Career Services

On March 3, 2005, the U.S. Air Force JAG conducted on campus interviews. Also, TMSL students interviewed at the Texas Off-Campus Career Fair held March 4, 2005. The job fair is an annual event sponsored by the Texas Young Lawyers Association.

***NOTE:** The Weekly Report is presented to the Provost each week to highlight the School of Law's activities, events and accomplishments.