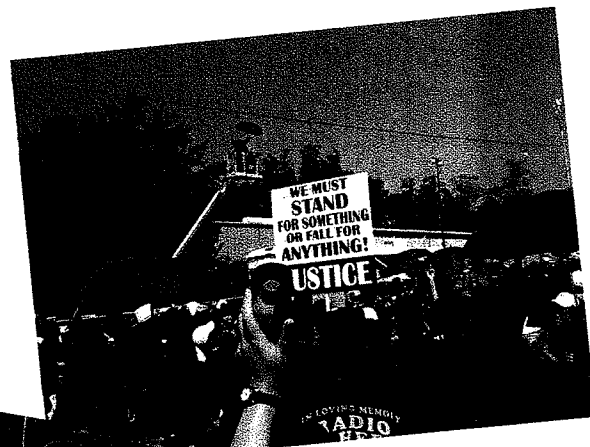


**2008 SOUTHEAST/SOUTHWEST PEOPLE OF COLOR
LEGAL SCHOLARSHIP CONFERENCE**

*Teaching for Change:
Training Leaders in the Social Justice Movement*



April 10-13, 2008

HOSTED BY

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Dear Conference Participants and Supporters,

North Carolina Central University School of Law is excited to serve as your host for the 2008 Southeast/Southwest People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference. For over a decade our region, along with others across the nation, have hosted these conferences to broaden the opportunities for scholars of color and their colleagues to present works in progress and participate in important discussions of pedagogy, community service and issues of importance in our communities.

Prior to the 2007 incidents in Jena, Louisiana, and West Virginia making national news, our Planning Committee had selected this year's theme, *Teaching for Change: Training Leaders in the Social Justice Movement*. When law students, professors and activists from across the nation converged in one accord on Jena to protest continuing social injustice, we knew that our discussions during the Conference would be timely. Social Justice movement leaders are indeed still needed in New Orleans, Durham, Jena, and across the nation and the world.

We begin the weekend on Thursday evening with a discussion of how activism prior to entering academia has informed our teaching. The discussion continues on Friday with examples of how current events in society inform in-class discussions and create opportunities for externships and continued social engagement. On Friday and Saturday, panels and roundtables tackle a variety of issues including recent developments in education law, criminal law, clinical education, best teaching practices and the role of centers and institutes in "teaching for change." We also will enjoy two great speakers at our luncheons, live entertainment and a dinner on Friday prepared by a local African American chef.

Of course, the highlight of our weekend will come with the presentations of over a dozen works in progress, including student articles as well. We appreciate those who have volunteered to comment on these works and the committee members who organized the sessions.

All in all, this year's, SE/SW POCC promises to be one of our best thanks to the hard work of our Planning Committee and the generous financial support of those regional law schools and publishing companies acknowledged in the program.

It has been my pleasure to serve as Chair.

Looking forward, aluta continua!

*Wendy Scott
NCCU Professor of Law & 2008
SE/SW POCC Planning Committee Chair*

PLANNING COMMITTEE

**Thank you to the following Planning Committee Members for their contributions
in making the 2008 Southeast/Southwest People of Color
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PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Thursday, April 10

8:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m. Registration
Lobby

6:00–7:00 p.m. Welcome Reception
North Carolina
Room

7:00–8:00 p.m. North Carolina Room

Roundtable One: Organizational Legal Activism. This roundtable will open the dialogue on the tension between community activism and work in the academy. It will examine, through the lived experiences of community activists of color who are now in the academy, the varied ways in which their activism has been transformed through their work in the academy as well as how their work in the academy is affected by their activism. The critical questions to be addressed will include the hard question of are we happy with our current level of activism since joining the academy. And, the focus will be on whether we as community activists, now academicians, have obtained a balance between these some time competing worlds.

Moderator

Judith A.M. Scully, Professor, University of West Virginia

Speakers

Adjoa Aiyetoro, Professor, University of Arkansas

Irv Joyner, Professor, North Carolina Central University School of Law

Wendy Scott, Professor, North Carolina Central University School of Law

8:00–11:00 p.m. Hospitality Suite
Suite # 402

Friday, April 11

7:30 a.m.–6:00 p.m. Registration
Durham Room

7:30–8:45 a.m. Continental Breakfast
Terrace

8:45–9:00 a.m. Welcoming Remarks
North Carolina Room
Raymond Pierce, Dean, North Carolina Central University School of Law
Wendy Scott, Conference Chair and Professor, North Carolina Central University School of Law

9:00–10:30 a.m. Panel One: Applied Legal History: The Jena 6. Legal historians in recent years have increasingly connected their work to questions of contemporary law and public policy such as race, politics, punishment, and even apologies for past injustices. In that process, legal historians sometimes speak to audiences concerned, on occasion, with purely historical issues; at other times, they are faced with questions about how their work applies to contemporary issues. This panel investigates some of those areas to determine how our understanding of law and life in the past informs contemporary discussions of law and life in the present. As a specific context for this discussion, this panel will provide useful insight into how law and history operated upon the troublesome trial, prosecution, and punishment of the Jena 6 (Jena, Louisiana) – a contemporary legal case with specific historical connections. In particular, it takes the three historical eras of African American existence – slavery, reconstruction, and civil rights/black power – in order to demonstrate how legal history provides a useful context for not only analyzing the case but also for explaining its significance, beyond doctrinal analysis, to students. In doing so, the panel seeks to maintain the integrity of the scholarly mission – and thus avoiding what one might call "law office history" – while trying to address the legal-historical origins of contemporary problems.

Commentator

Thomas J. Davis, Arizona State University

Moderator

Donald F. Tibbs, Southern University Law Center

Speakers

Anthony Baker, Campbell University School of Law (Slavery and the Jena 6)

Evelyn Wilson, Southern University Law Center (Reconstruction and the Jena 6)

Tryon Woods, Sonoma State University (Civil Rights/Black Power and the Jena 6)

10:30–10:45 a.m. Coffee Break

- 10:45–12:00 noon** **Concurrent Works in Progress Sessions**
- Durham Room A **Jendayi Saada**, Nova Southeastern University School of Law. Work-In-Progress: Minorities and the Bar Examination.
- Durham Room B **Mary Dolores Guerra**, Phoenix School of Law. Work-In-Progress: Notorio Fraud: The Human Cost.
- Raleigh Room **Susan Kuo**, University of South Carolina School of Law. Work-In-Progress: Understanding the Lack of Minority Ownership of Broadcast Stations: FCC Solutions.
- 12:00–1:30 p.m.** **Lunch**
Terrace Keynote Speaker
Dr. William Barber, President, North Carolina NAACP
Introduction of Speaker
Irv Joyner, Professor, North Carolina Central University School of Law
- 2:00–3:30 p.m.** **Concurrent Panels**
North Carolina **Panel Two: Clinical Education.** This panel will discuss Law School
Room Clinics and Pro Bono Programs and how they impact social justice. Panelists are attorneys and students who represent programs that have local, national, and international ramifications on social justice.
Moderator
Pamela Glean, Director of Clinical Programs, North Carolina Central University School of Law
Speakers
Brian Gilmore, Director, Howard University Fair Housing Clinic
Page Potter, Director, NCCU Law Pro Bono Program
Jim McDonald and **Susan Massey**, Students, Duke University School of Law Guantanamo Bay Defense Clinic
- Raleigh Room **Panel Three: Law and Education.** This panel will discuss the status of racial diversity and education in a post *Parents Involved in Community Schools v. Seattle School District* world. In *Parents Involved in Community Schools v. Seattle School District* the Supreme Court held that a public school district that has operated legally segregated schools or had been found to be a unitary may not rely on racial classification in making school assignments in the name of integration or diversity. Panelists will consider the impact of the No Child Left Behind Act on racial and economic diversity in legal education. The panel will address the contention of whether the No Child Left Behind Act is an unfunded mandate that violates the Constitution's Spending clause and the Tenth Amendment. The panel will also address the DREAM ACT and the rights of undocumented immigrants to receive a higher education on the same terms as others who live in a state.
Moderator & Speaker
L. Darnell Weeden, TSU, Thurgood Marshall School of Law
Speakers
Eboni Nelson, University of South Carolina Law School
Danielle Holley-Walker, University of South Carolina Law School
Maurice Hew, TSU, Thurgood Marshall School of Law

- 3:45–5:00 p.m.** **Concurrent Works in Progress Sessions**
- Durham Room A **Nareissa Smith**, Florida Coastal School of Law. Work-In-Progress: “Built for Boyhood”?: A Proposal for Revising the Guidelines for Children's Toy Advertising to Reduce Gender Bias.
- Durham Room B **Daniel I. Morales**, Hastie Fellow, University of Wisconsin School of Law. Work-In-Progress: Blinding “Illegality”: On Immigration, Culture, and The Rule of Law.
- Raleigh Room **Lydie Nadia Cabrera Pierre-Louis**, St. Thomas University School of Law. Work-In-Progress: Hedge Funds, Hedge Funds, Everywhere and No Protection Anywhere: Securities Exemptions, Common Law Doctrine and the Need for Statutory Remedies.
- 6:30–6:45 p.m.** **Shuttles to NCCU School of Law**
- 7:00–9:00 p.m.** **Dinner**
NCCU School
of Law
- Presentation to Student Writing Competition Winner**
Presenters
Donald Tibbs, Southern University Law Center
Malik Edwards, Charlotte School of Law
- 9:00–9:15 p.m.** **Shuttles to Hotel**
- 9:00–11:00 p.m.** **Hospitality Suite**
Suite # 402

Saturday, April 12

- 7:30–12:00 noon** **Registration**
Raleigh Room
- 7:30–8:45 a.m.** **Continental Breakfast**
Terrace

9:00–10:30 a.m.

North Carolina
Room

Concurrent Panels

Panel Four: Best Practices in Legal Education Two recent publications, *Educating Lawyers*, by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, and *Best Practices for Legal Education*, by Roy Stuckey and others, challenge some of the current methods of educating and training lawyers. This panel will discuss and explore the best teaching practices for accomplishing the goal of “Training Leaders in the Social Justice Movement.”

Moderator

April G. Dawson, Assistant Professor, North Carolina Central University School of Law

Speakers

Alice Thomas, Visiting Professor, Howard University School of Law

Linda Crane, Professor and Associate Dean of Faculty Development, The John Marshall Law School

Rogelio Lasso, Professor, The John Marshall Law School

Raleigh Room

Panel Five: Criminal Law: Policing, Criminal Injustice and the Black Community. This panel will discuss several aspects of policing, criminal injustice and the Black community. Panelists will discuss recent Supreme Court jurisprudence on the knock and announce rule, issues related to police reform, the role that fear has played in perpetuating the imprisonment of Black and Latino people, and the role that discretion plays in the excessive policing as well as the failure to police Black communities.

Moderator

Judith A.M. Scully, Professor, University of West Virginia

Speakers

Julian Cook, University of Georgia School of Law

Susan Kuo, University of South Carolina School of Law

Kenneth Nunn, University of Florida Levin School of Law

Kami Chavis Simmons, Wake Forest School of Law

10:30–10:45 a.m.

Coffee Break

10:45–12:00 noon

Durham Room A

Concurrent Works in Progress Sessions

Florence Shu-Acquaye, Nova Southeastern School of Law. Work-In-Progress: United Nations Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination Against Women And its Role in HIV/AIDS Prevention in Africa.

Durham Room B

Lin K. Dai, Student, Barry University School of Law, Student Writing Competition Winner. Work-In-Progress: Hitting the Brakes on Child Trafficking: How To Stop Sexual Exploitation of Children in Viet Nam.

Raleigh Room

Neal Newman, Texas Wesleyan School of Law. Work-In-Progress: The U.S. Move to International Accounting Standards: A Matter of Cultural Discord, How do we Reconcile?

12:00–1:30 p.m.
North Carolina
Room

Lunch

Keynote Speaker

Mary Wright, Professor, North Carolina Central University School of Law

Introduction of Speaker

L. Darnell Weeden, Professor, TSU, Thurgood Marshall School of Law

2:00–3:30 p.m.
North Carolina
Room

Panel Six: Law School Institutes. In the 1990's, professors at several law schools successfully lobbied for the creation of Centers and Institutes to address race, civil rights, domestic violence and health as social justice issues. These centers have become invaluable to advancing scholarship and pedagogy in these fields. They also allow students to learn about social justice and civil rights issues from a different perspective. This panel will explore in a roundtable discussion format the mission of these centers and how they have flourished. Students will serve as participants to discuss their plan to create such a Center at NCCU.

Moderator

Wendy Scott, Conference Chair and Professor, North Carolina Central University School of Law

Speakers

Jennifer Brobst, Legal Director, Center for Child and Family Health, NCCU Law School

Kimberly Cogdell, Professor and Co-founder, Biotechnology & Pharmaceutical Law Institute, NCCU Law School

Sylvia R. Lazos, Justice Myron Leavitt Professor of Law & Co-founder, Research Center for the Study of Race, Class and Social Justice, University of Nevada Las Vegas

Herbert T. Lovelace, Assistant Director, Center for the Study of Race and Law, University of Virginia Law School

Kenneth Nunn, Co-founder, Center for the Study of Race and Racism, University of Florida Levin College of Law

Donald Tibbs, Director, Institute for Civil Rights & Justice, Southern University Law Center

Stephanie M. Wildman, Director, Center for Social Justice and Public Service, Santa Clara University School of Law

Renee Brown, Second year student and **William Dudley**, Third year student and BLSA President, Proponents, NCCU Civil Rights Center

3:45–5:00 p.m.
Durham Room A

Concurrent Works in Progress Sessions

Jane Cross, Nova Southeastern School of Law. Work-In-Progress: The Mandatory Death Penalty in the Nova Caribbean Court of Justice: A New Phase in Commonwealth Caribbean Jurisprudence?

Durham Room B

Keeva Terry, Roger Williams School of Law. Work-In-Progress: Same Sex Couples and State Rights: Revisiting the Taxation of Community Property.

Raleigh Room

Omari Simmons, Wake Forest School of Law. Work-In-Progress: Taking the Blue Pill: Corporate Governance Reform as a Credence Good.

6:00–10:00 p.m. **Dinner On Your Own**
Hotel Shuttles to SouthPoint Mall for Dinner, Shopping, Movies

9:00–11:00 p.m. **Hospitality Suite**
Suite # 402

Sunday, April 13

9:30–11:00 a.m. **2009 Planning Committee Breakfast Meeting**
Suite # 402

LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

SPEAKERS

Adjoa Aiyetoro joined the law school faculty of University of Arkansas, Little Rock, Bowen School of Law in 2004. She graduated, cum laude, from St. Louis University School of Law where she was inducted into the Jesuit Honor Society, Alpha Sigma Nu. Before joining the faculty she had a career as a human rights attorney. She began her legal career as a staff attorney with the United States Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division, Special Litigation Section where she litigated cases involving the rights of the institutionalized and developed an expertise in prisoner rights. She joined the ACLU National Prison Project in 1981 where she remained until 1992. Since 1992 she has served as the Executive Director of the National Conference of Black Lawyers, the Director of Administration for the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation, Inc., a consultant to the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law and the Chief Legal Consultant for the National Coalition of Blacks for Reparations in America (N'COBRA). Ms. Aiyetoro was an Adjunct Professor with the American University, Washington College of Law from 1997 through 2003. She was a Visiting Scholar with the University of California at Santa Barbara, Center for Black Studies, Spring 2003 and a Visiting Professor at West Virginia University College of Law, Fall 2004.

Anthony Baker joined the faculty at Campbell University School of Law in the summer of 2000 from Pepperdine Law School. Professor Baker teaches Criminal Law and Procedure, and various history and criminal justice seminars. Professor Baker has also taught at the University of Wisconsin and the University of Maine. While at Campbell he has received *Outstanding Teacher* distinction in both 2000-2001 and 2004-2005. He was part of pioneering efforts for a Juvenile Justice clinical outreach, in which principles of "restorative justice" are introduced to students and applied to juvenile disputes in the three-county area around the law school. Anthony was an Angier B. Duke Scholar at Duke University, completing his A.B. in Public Policy Sciences in 1977. At the conclusion of one year in "inner city" volunteer service with the Jesuit Volunteer Corps (Washington, D.C.), Anthony entered law school as an Earl Warren Fellow at the University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill, where he received the J.D. in 1981. After an eclectic and varied "career" abroad (in Canada) in which he worked alternatively in advanced criminal law/procedure research (specializing in the Canadian *Charter of Rights and Freedoms*), alternative dispute resolution, Christian pastoral ministry, and various legal venues (including corporate/commercial law, immigration law, and refugee administrative representation), Anthony returned to the United States, commencing advanced studies in Legal History at the University of Wisconsin Law School, where he was named "Outstanding Continuing Scholar," completing an in-depth thesis (addressing the place of the *Dred Scott* decision in the organic events presaging the Civil War) and receiving his LL.M. in 1998. Anthony has maintained a varied scholarly portfolio, making presentations at AALS regional venues (University of Arkansas – Fayetteville; Kiawah Island, SC), the American Legal History Society (Princeton, NJ), Religiously Affiliated Law Schools Conferences (Pepperdine Law School; Notre Dame Law School) and various 'legal history' fora (University of Wisconsin – Madison; Chicago, IL; Quinnipiac Law School; North Carolina Supreme Court Historical Society; etc.). He has written and published in the areas of legal history, law and society, 'affirmative' action, legal ethics, and historical jurisprudence, among others. He is presently concluding a book manuscript, working title *A Severe Jurisprudence: The Press, the Supreme Court, and the "Making" of the American Civil War* (under contract with the University of Michigan Press), in which he thoroughly canvasses the jurisprudential underpinnings of that unique conflict. Most recently, Anthony returns to Campbell from a sabbatical year spent as a

Visiting Scholar at Yale Law School (New Haven, CT, 2005-2006) where he worked on his manuscript and other "law in history" projects. He has been recipient of the Dean's Excellence in Research Award, a distinction offered to one faculty member each academic year.

Jennifer Brobst is an Assistant Professor at North Carolina Central University (NCCU) School of Law, and since 2006 has served as the Legal Director for the Center for Child and Family Health (CCFH) in Durham. CCFH is a consortium of medical, mental health, abuse prevention, and legal expertise from NCCU School of Law, Duke University, UNC Chapel Hill, and the non-profit Child and Parent Support Services (CAPSS). CCFH staff work on local, national and international initiatives and research to assist children who have had experiences of trauma, abuse and/or grief, and coordinate the nationally accredited Durham County Child Advocacy Center. Prof. Brobst teaches courses in Domestic Violence Law, Children and the Law, Evidence, and Scientific Evidence. Her scholarly research and publications have focused on law reform related to children's rights and family violence, including national and international comparative studies of fetal homicide and corporal punishment. B.A. (University of Cape Town, South Africa, 1991), J.D. (University of San Diego School of Law, 1996), LL.M. (Victoria University at Wellington, New Zealand, 2001); licensed to practice law in California, Indiana and North Carolina.

Kimberly Cogdell is originally from Fayetteville, NC. She received her undergraduate degree in molecular biology from Hampton University and her juris doctor from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She has also completed graduate work in biology at North Carolina Central University and public health specializing in health policy and administration from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She is an Assistant Professor of Law at North Carolina Central University School of Law where she teaches Bioethics, Antitrust, Health Law and Torts. Professor Cogdell is the co-founder of the Biotechnology and Pharmaceutical Law Institute (BPLI) and coordinates many program development activities for the law school. She is also the chair of the Institutional Review Board (IRB) at the university. Her area of research interest involves the law surrounding genetic manipulation, stem cell transplants, and artificial reproductive technology. She is also interested in health disparities and chronic conditions in vulnerable populations. She is currently working on an article in this area. Professor Cogdell also has extensive experience in international development and has studied in both Australia and Spain in various capacities. She earned a certificate in international development from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and she uses these skills to do pro bono work with the Latino community.

Julian A. Cook III joined the University of Georgia School of Law faculty in the fall of 2006. He came to the law school with nearly 10 years of legal teaching experience, having most recently been at Michigan State University. Specializing in criminal law, criminal procedure and evidence, Cook served for several years as an assistant U.S. attorney in Nevada and the District of Columbia. While a federal prosecutor and a member of the Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force, he was responsible for the handling of an array of criminal matters, including felony narcotic, white-collar and various arrest-generated cases during the trial and appellate stages. He also served as a judicial clerk for Judge Philip M. Pro of the U.S. District Court for the District of Nevada. He earned his bachelor's degree from Duke University, his Master of Public Administration from Columbia University and his Juris Doctor from the University of Virginia.

Linda Crane has authored numerous articles for law journals on various subjects, including family law, immigration law, legal education and civil rights. She is a frequent speaker on the subjects of civil rights, generally, and economic disparity and mortgage lending discrimination, in particular. In August 2000, at the request of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve, she testified during its national hearings on predatory lending. Professor Crane is a member of numerous non-profit boards, including the Greater Chicago Food Depository, Mac Cormac Business College, Chicago State University Foundation, and Midwestern People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, Inc. She is the past board president of the Cabrini-Green Tutoring Program, Legal Elections in All Precincts Research and Educational Fund, Inc. (Project LEAP), and the Central States Law Schools Association. She is also a past chair of the Committee on Audit and Investment Policy for the Association of American Law Schools (AALS) in Washington, D.C. She is the recipient of numerous honors and awards; in 1999, *Today's Chicago Woman Magazine* selected her as one of the 100 Chicago Women Making a Difference. Professor Crane joined the faculty in 1989. She served as associate dean for faculty development from 2004-2007. She teaches Property Law, Commercial Law, and Federal Securities Regulation.

Thomas J. Davis teaches history and law at Arizona State University in Tempe. A *Phi Beta Kappa* graduate (A.B.) of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at Fordham University in New York City, he earned a M.A. and Ph.D. in United States history, with minors in African history and economic history, from Columbia University in the City of New York. He also earned a M.A. in journalism from Ball State University in Muncie, Indiana, and a J.D. from the School of Law at the University at Buffalo in New York. He is an attorney and counselor at law admitted to practice in the states of Arizona and New York. Professor Davis has taught at several colleges and universities, including the State University of New York at Buffalo, where he was for ten years before joining the ASU faculty in 1996, and at Howard University in Washington, D.C., where he was for ten year before going to Buffalo. He has been repeatedly recognized for teaching excellence as illustrated by his being a nominee for the 2006 ASU Parents Association Professor of the Year Award, a nominee for the 2005-2006 ASU Centennial Professorship Award, for repeated nominations for the ASU College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Dean's Distinguished Teaching Award, by the ASU College of Extended Education's selecting him for an Outstanding Faculty Award in 2002, and by his being selected as Educator of the Year at the University at Buffalo in 1992. Dr. Davis has received a variety of awards for scholarship. He has been a National Teaching Fellow, a Herbert H. Lehman Fellow, a Ford Foundation Advanced Study Fellow, a National Endowment for the Humanities Fellow, twice a Fulbright Fellow, a Smithsonian Institution Fellow, and an American Bar Foundation Visiting Fellow. His writings have appeared in various scholarly journals. He served from 1974 to 2001 on the editorial board of the *Journal of Negro History*; since 1996 he has been an editorial board member of the *Law and History Review*, the journal of the American Society for Legal History. His books include *The New York Conspiracy* (Beacon Press, 1971); *A Rumor of Revolt: The 'Great Negro Plot' in Colonial New York* (Free Press/Macmillan, 1985; pb. ed. University of Massachusetts Press, 1990), which won the Gustavus Myers Center Award as one of the best books published in 1985 on racial intolerance in the United States; and *Africans in the Americans: A History of the Black Diaspora*, with Michael L. Conniff (St. Martin's Press, 1994). His most recent book is a volume in Greenwood Press's Major Issues in American History series, *Race Relations in America* (Westport CT: Greenwood Press, 2006). Professor Davis focuses on civil rights, race and the law, critical race theory, and employment and labor law and history; his teaching centers on U.S. constitutional issues.

April G. Dawson is an assistant professor at North Carolina Central University School of Law. Professor Dawson earned her Juris Doctorate degree *cum laude* from Howard University School of Law in Washington, D.C. in 1994. While at Howard, she was Technical Editor for the Howard Law Journal and a member of the National Moot Court Team. After law school, Professor Dawson joined the Civil Division of the U.S. Department of Justice through its Attorney General's Honors Program. While at DOJ, she argued cases before the United States Courts of Appeals for the Ninth, Seventh and Fifth Circuits. In 1996, Professor Dawson served as law clerk to the Honorable Emmet G. Sullivan of the United States District Court for the District of Columbia. Following her clerkship, she joined the then-law firm of Wiley, Rein & Fielding in Washington, D.C. as a litigation associate representing individuals and business entities in proceedings before federal and state courts, and the Federal Communications Commission. While at Wiley, she was also an adjunct legal writing professor at the George Washington University School of Law. Professor Dawson moved to North Carolina and formed a private litigation practice in 2000 focusing primarily on Employment-related litigation. Before becoming an assistant professor, Professor Dawson was an adjunct legal writing professor at NCCU Law during the 2005-06 academic year. Professor Dawson's scholarly and teaching interests are in the areas of Torts, Employment Law and the United States Supreme Court.

Malik Edwards joined the Charlotte School of Law as an Assistant Professor in August 2006. Prior to joining CSL, Professor Edwards completed his Ph.D as a Fontaine Fellow at the University of Pennsylvania's graduate School of Education in the Education Policy Program. While working at the university's National Center on Fathers and Families in Philadelphia, Professor Edwards conducted research on the implications of parental incarceration on children. He also served the school's Consortium for Policy Research in Education, analyzing the impact of court imposed school finance remedies in New Jersey. Professor Edwards' career as a legal scholar and practitioner has centered largely on issues involving education, children's welfare and minority youth development. Professor Edwards served as director of alumni relations at the Leadership Education and Development Program in Business (LEAD), a national partnership of Fortune 500 U.S. corporations and graduate business schools, that encourages talented minority student to pursue careers in business. During his career as a legal practitioner, Professor Edwards worked at two New York law firms. He was a supervising senior document reviewer for a large class action case at Milbank, Tweed, Hadley & McCloy, LLP. He also worked as a litigation associate at Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom, LLP.

Brian Gilmore Born and raised in Washington D.C, attended public schools, graduated from Archbishop Carroll High School in 1979, obtained undergraduate degree in 1987 from Frostburg State College, law degree from the District of Columbia School of Law (now called "David A. Clarke School of Law") in 1992; Staff Attorney at the Neighborhood Legal Services Program from 1993-1998; Legislative Advocate at the Washington Legal Clinic for the Homeless from 1999-2001; Staff Attorney and Managing Attorney at Neighborhood Legal Services Program from 2001-2003; Associate at the firm of Robert A. Ades and Associates from 2003-2005. Joined Howard University School of Law in 2005 as Clinical Supervising Attorney in charge of the Fair Housing Clinic. Prior teaching experience includes adjunct faculty member at Catholic University's Metropolitan College 1998, & volunteer instructor in the D.C. WritersCorps Program 1995-1997. Taught at Lorton Prison and organized community writing workshops throughout the city of Washington D.C. from 1995-1998; Have lectured at the following schools and universities: St Albans' High School (Washington DC), Duke Ellington School for the Arts, Georgetown University Law Center, Sarah Lawrence College, Emory University (Atlanta, Ga), Central Connecticut College, Catholic University, Potomac College. Currently, resides in Takoma Park, Maryland with wife, Elanna and family.

Pamela Glean is a native of Hillsborough, NC. She graduated from Duke University in 1977 with a bachelor's degree in economics. She received her juris doctorate in 1980, after which she entered private practice in Greensboro, NC. In 1992, Glean returned to Durham where she served as Assistant County Attorney, and Staff Attorney for the Center for Child & Family Health. She began teaching at NCCU School of Law in 1996, and is currently a clinical supervising attorney. While at the Law School, Glean has served as coach and advisor for the Trial Advocacy Team, a member and advisor of the Faculty Senate, and a member of the University Graduation Committee. She also teaches regularly for NITA (the National Institute of Trial Advocacy) and The Principal's Executive Program.

Maurice Hew, Jr. is currently an Assistant Professor at Thurgood Marshall School of Law in Houston, Texas, where he directs the immigration law clinic and teaches immigration related substantive law classes. He received his law degree from Loyola University School of Law (New Orleans) in 1991. He is licensed in Texas and Louisiana, is admitted to several Federal Courts including the United States Supreme Court, and is Board Certified in Immigration and Nationality Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization. He has also been recognized as a rising star in immigration litigation by Texas Monthly, Texas Law and Politics, and Houston Magazine. Prior to joining the law faculty in 2005, Professor Hew served as the Senior Associate at a prominent immigration boutique firm in Houston, Texas and was an Assistant District Attorney in Gretna, Louisiana. Professor Hew is a frequent speaker and writer on Immigration and Nationality issues.

Danielle Holley-Walker teaches Civil Procedure I and II, Race and the Law, Administrative Law, and Federal Practice. Professor Holley-Walker has published numerous articles on issues of civil rights and education, including recent articles on No Child Left Behind, charter school policy, desegregation plans, and affirmative action in higher education. Her ongoing research agenda focuses on issues of educational equity and the governance of public schools. Before joining the University of South Carolina faculty, Professor Holley-Walker taught at Hofstra University School of Law. Prior to beginning her teaching career Professor Holley-Walker practiced civil litigation at Fulbright & Jaworski, LLP in Houston, Texas. She also clerked for Judge Carl E. Stewart of the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit. Professor Holley-Walker earned a B.A. from Yale University and her law degree from Harvard University.

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Sylvia R. Lazos Making the US legal and political system one that affords equality for everyone, regardless of their race, ethnicity, religion, gender or sexual orientation, is what drives Professor Sylvia R. Lazos to excel as a law professor. A constitutional law and critical race scholar, Professor Lazos has written exhaustively on how constitutional norms can accommodate a new American reality that is increasingly multicultural, multiracial and multiethnic. These articles have appeared in respected journals such as the *Ohio State Law Journal*, *Maryland Law Review* and *Tulane Law Review*. Professor Lazos began her teaching career at Florida State University College of Law in 1992. From 1999 to 2002, Professor Lazos served on the law faculty of the University of Missouri-Columbia. Now on the faculty of the William S. Boyd School of Law, Professor Lazos teaches Constitutional Law, Legislation, Business Organizations and a seminar on race, gender, and sexuality. She genuinely likes her students and hopes that she can contribute to their development as lawyers who can assist all of their clients, no matter their background or their legal problem.

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Page Potter As director of the Law School's Pro Bono Program, Ms. Potter coordinates and encourages student involvement in pro bono service. She teaches the Pro Bono Clinic, a public interest field placement course, and Street Law, in which law students assist public school social studies teachers in teaching middle and high school students about the law. She serves as adviser to the student public interest law organization, PILO, and the NCCU Innocence Project and directs the week-long Legal Eagle Law Camp for rising 7th through 12 graders held each summer at the Law School. Ms. Potter is a graduate of Duke Law School and the University of Vienna, Austria. Prior to joining NCCU Law School in 2002, she directed the paralegal certificate program at Meredith College in Raleigh, taught business law and legal research and writing at the community college level, and practiced law in Durham.

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licensing discrimination cases, and employers and unions on numerous work place issues. She also worked as an Associate at Vladeck, Waldman, Elias & Engelhard, a union labor and plaintiff employment discrimination law firm in New York City. Prior to joining the Tulane faculty, Professor Scott served as the Associate Counsel for the Center for Law and Social Justice from 1986 to 1989, a community law office and research center in Brooklyn, New York. In that position, she directed all litigation and supervised the preparation of research studies on racial violence, redlining and Charter revision in New York City, while also teaching as an Adjunct Professor at Hunter College, Brooklyn and CUNY Law Schools.

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Alice Thomas Before rejoining Howard University School of Law this year, Professor Thomas began her teaching career in 1993 at Howard teaching legal reasoning, research and writing. In 1996, she joined the faculty of the University of the District of Columbia David A. Clarke School of Law (“UDC-DCSL”) where she was tenured and taught Contracts, Federal Tax and Nonprofit Organizations law. Professor Thomas enjoyed a year as a visiting professor at John Marshall Law School in Chicago in 2004-05 and Howard in 2006-07. In the fall of 2007, she joined the Howard faculty, teaching Sales and Secured Transactions, Nonprofit Transactions, Federal Tax and Contracts. She is the founding director of the newly formed Institute for the Advancement of Law Teaching. Before teaching, she practiced law concentrating on international tax and complex commercial transactions for a major law firm, and as a solo practitioner, advising small businesses and tax-exempt organizations. During her years of teaching, Professor Thomas has innovated in the classroom, winning Outstanding Teacher of the Year awards of several occasions. She has presented at the “Attitude is Success” workshop sponsored by CLEO each summer for incoming minority students. In 2001-2002, Professor Thomas was named a Carnegie Scholar by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching to conduct research on learning in law schools. She was later named a Lead Carnegie Scholar in 2003, and, since 2005, has served as a Mentor Scholar for the National CASTL (“Carnegie Academy for the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning”) Institute held at Columbia College in Chicago, and soon to be held at Creighton University beginning in the summer of 2007.

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Mary Wright earned a BA in Political Science from UNC-Greensboro in 1973 and a Juris Doctor from the National Law Center at George Washington University in 1976. After working as a legal services staff attorney, she taught at the Woodrow Wilson College of Law in Atlanta, Georgia. She joined the faculty at NCCU School of Law in 1985 where she taught full-time until she served as Assistant Dean for the Day Program in 1989-90. The following year Professor Wright was appointed to serve as Interim Dean of the Law School, and accepted the position of Dean of the Law School in 1991. She returned to the classroom to full-time teaching in the fall of 1994. Professor Wright's primary teaching areas are contracts, family law and legal reasoning. She has written in the areas of family law, contracts, and more recently, education law. Professor Wright is a member of the North Carolina Bar, the District of Columbia Bar and the Georgia Bar. She is also a member of the North Carolina Association of Black Lawyers. Her community activities include service as a board member of the Land Loss Prevention Project, the Obi Nka Bi Development Collective, and Omuteko Gwamaziima, an African-centered school of which Professor Wright is a founding member.

WORKS-IN-PROGRESS PRESENTERS

Jane Cross, Nova Southeastern School of Law. Work-In-Progress: The Mandatory Death Penalty in the Nova Caribbean Court of Justice: A New Phase in Commonwealth Caribbean Jurisprudence?

Lin K. Dai, Student, Barry University School of Law, Student Writing Competition Winner. Work-In-Progress: Hitting the Brakes on Child Trafficking: How To Stop Sexual Exploitation of Children in Viet Nam.

Mary Dolores Guerra, Phoenix School of Law. Work-In-Progress: Notorio Fraud: The Human Cost.

Susan Kuo, University of South Carolina School of Law. Work-In-Progress: Understanding the Lack of Minority Ownership of Broadcast Stations: FCC Solutions.

Daniel I. Morales, Hastie Fellow, University of Wisconsin School of Law. Work-In-Progress: Blinding "Illegality": On Immigration, Culture, and The Rule of Law.

Neal Newman, Texas Wesleyan School of Law. Work-In-Progress: The U.S. Move to International Accounting Standards: A Matter of Cultural Discord, How do we Reconcile?

Lydie Nadia Cabrera Pierre-Louis, St. Thomas University School of Law. Work-In-Progress: Hedge Funds, Hedge Funds, Everywhere and No Protection Anywhere: Securities Exemptions, Common Law Doctrine and the Need for Statutory Remedies.

Jendayi Saada, Nova Southeastern University School of Law. Work-In-Progress: Minorities and the Bar Examination

Florence Shu-Acquaye, Nova Southeastern School of Law. Work-In-Progress: United Nations Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination Against Women And its Role in HIV/AIDS Prevention in Africa.

Omari Simmons, Wake Forest School of Law. Work-In-Progress: Taking the Blue Pill: Corporate Governance Reform as a Credence Good.

Nareissa Smith, Florida Coastal School of Law. Work-In-Progress: "Built for Boyhood"?: A Proposal for Revising the Guidelines for Children's Toy Advertising to Reduce Gender Bias.

Keeva Terry, Roger Williams School of Law. Work-In-Progress: Same Sex Couples and State Rights: Revisiting the Taxation of Community Property.

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