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*At the Intersection:
Culture, Race & Class*

March 26th-29th, 2009

**PHOENIX SCHOOL OF LAW
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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

Welcome to Phoenix, the Valley of the Sun! Phoenix School of Law (PhoenixLaw) is proud to serve as your host for the 2009 Southeast/Southwest People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference. Last year when I attended my first People of Color Conference in North Carolina, I was impressed with the organization, the speakers, and the panels. I knew that bringing the conference to Phoenix would be an excellent opportunity to support legal scholarship by and about people of color and to introduce our new school to the legal academic community. I send a special note of gratitude to PhoenixLaw's former Dean Dennis Shields for his incredible support in bringing the conference to Phoenix.

Our conference begins on Thursday with Interim Dean Eugene Clark welcoming the conference attendees. Professor Cynthia Drew will then introduce the documentary "Faubourg Tremé: The Untold Story of Black New Orleans" and discuss her forthcoming book. Our conference continues on Friday and Saturday with several concurrent panels that discuss topics that range from Race and the Law, Rights of Indigenous People, Street Law, Education, Health Care, Hip Hop's Influence, Historically Black Law Schools, Media Diversity, to Law and Literature and a Roundtable discussion on Surviving and Thriving in the Academy, a favorite of junior faculty and an opportunity for senior faculty to help guide and direct those who follow them. Our Keynote Speakers include Former Arizona Governor Raul Castro, Professor Laura Gómez and Dean Cynthia Nance.

The highlight of our conference is of course the fourteen Works-in-Progress panels, including a student presentation, which will be held throughout the conference. We also have a special program to honor Cesar Chavez. After lunch on Friday, we will move the conference to PhoenixLaw, which is a short walk from the Hotel (a shuttle is available) to participate in a joint video conference with CAPALF. The panel will discuss the Legacy of Cesar Chavez. This is the first time that our conference will hold a joint video conference and I believe that in addition to our Works-in-Progress panels, it will be one of the highlights of the conference and perhaps a wave of the future.

As you can tell, the planning committee diligently worked to create a unique and exciting conference. Thanks to L. Darnell Weeden for his insight and guidance as Vice Chair. I would like to extend my gratitude to the Chairs of our subcommittees: Program Chairs, Wendy Greene, Lydie Nadia Cabrera Pierre-Louis, Susan Kuo, and Elizabeth Duncan; Co-Fundraising Chairs Eboni Nelson and Malik Edwards; Eboni also was our fabulous Secretary; Student Writing Competition Chair, Donald Tibbs; Works-in-Progress Co-Chairs, Jane Cross and Danielle Holley-Walker; Awards Chair April Dawson; Finance Co-chairs, Susan Kuo and Evelyn Wilson; and Webmaster Rhonda Reaves. Evelyn kept us dutifully informed about our finances and on track. I have been truly blessed to work with this dedicated group. I also am thankful for the support that I received from Dean Clark, Placido Gomez, Steve Gerst and the entire PhoenixLaw faculty. Thank you all from the bottom of my heart. Thank you to Bianca Lauderdale, the Dean's assistant, for all her wonderful help and added flair to the conference.

I also want to thank all our generous sponsors listed in our conference brochure and on our website; without your help and support this conference would not be possible. Thank you to all our presenters, commentators on our Works-in-Progress and all our volunteers, your presence and assistance helped to make this conference the best it can be.

I am honored to have served as Chair of this committee and to be part of this wonderful and exciting group.

Paz y bien (peace and good),

Mary Dolores Guerra

Phoenix School of Law, Assistant Professor and

2009 Southeast/Southwest People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference Committee Chair

2009 CONFERENCE PLANNING COMMITTEE

An enormous thank you to the following Planning Committee Members for their outstanding contributions and dedication to the 2009 Southeast/Southwest People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference and for making this event a success:

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**2009 SOUTHEAST/SOUTHWEST PEOPLE OF COLOR LEGAL
SCHOLARSHIP CONFERENCE**

At the Intersection: Culture, Race & Class

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, MARCH 26th, 2009

5:30-8:00 PM REGISTRATION AT CONFERENCE HOTEL—HILTON
GARDEN INN

6:00 PM WELCOME RECEPTION/WELCOME ADDRESS
Hilton Garden Inn *Scottsdale Room*

Eugene Clark, Interim Dean, Phoenix School of Law
Professor Mary Dolores Guerra, Phoenix School of Law

8:00 PM DOCUMENTARY FILM VIEWING *Scottsdale Room*

Faubourg Tremé: The Untold Story of Black New Orleans

Documentary Commentator:

Cynthia A. Drew, Associate Professor of Law, University of Miami School of Law, Visiting Associate Professor, Seattle University School of Law, and Author of **DISASTROUS BETRAYAL: NEW ORLEANS, KATRINA, AND THE UNITED STATES (FORTHCOMING)**

9:30-11:00 PM HOSPITALITY SUITE

FRIDAY, MARCH 27th, 2009

7:30 AM-6:00 PM **REGISTRATION AT HILTON GARDEN INN**

7:30-8:55 AM **BREAKFAST** *Phoenix Room*

9:00-10:30 AM **CONCURRENT PANEL SESSION I** *Sedona Room*
Race and Family Law

Moderator:

Bernadette Hartfield, Associate Professor of Law, Georgia State University

Panelists:

Rhoda Pierre Cato, Associate Professor of Law, Florida A&M University College of Law

Jane E. Cross, Associate Professor of Law, Nova Southeastern University Shepard Broad Law Center

Angela Mae Kupenda, Professor of Law, Mississippi College School of Law

Tanya M. Washington, Associate Professor of Law, Georgia State University College of Law

9:00-10:30 AM **CONCURRENT PANEL SESSION II** *Prescott Room*
Rights of Indigenous Peoples

Moderator and Panelist:

Elizabeth L. Duncan, Esq.

Panelists:

John Duncan, Associate Professor of Law, Florida A & M University College of Law

Steve Gonzales, Associate Professor of Law, Phoenix School of Law

Marren Sanders, Assistant Adjunct Professor and Indigenous Law and Policy Curriculum Development Manager, University of Arizona James E. Rogers College of Law

9:00-10:30 AM **CONCURRENT PANEL SESSION III** *Pinetop Room*
Reaching Out: Street Law's Law School Diversity Pipeline

Moderator and Panelist:

Page Potter, Director, Pro Bono Program, North Carolina Central University School of Law

Panelists:

Mary Bird, Public Service Programs Director, Loyola University-Chicago School of Law

Cynthia Carrasco, Executive Director, Hispanic National Bar Foundation

Yessenia García-Lebrón, Assistant Director for Diversity Initiatives at the LSAC

Megan Hanson, Program Director, Street Law, Inc.

Karen Throckmorton, Director, Miami Street Law Program, University of Miami School of Law, Center for Ethics & Public Service

10:30-10:45 AM **BREAK**

10:45-11:55 AM **CONCURRENT WORKS-IN-PROGRESS SESSION I** *Sedona Room*

Presenter: P. Camille Lamar, Nova Southeastern University Shepard Broad Law Center
Can Separate Be Equal? Questioning the Holy Grail of Diversity

10:45-11:55 AM **CONCURRENT WORKS-IN-PROGRESS SESSION II** *Prescott Room*

Presenter: Penny L. Willrich (with Dr. Pamela Nadir & Zarinah Nadir, Esq.), Phoenix School of Law
Marriage and Divorce among American Muslims: Considerations for U.S. Family Law

12:00-1:15 PM **LUNCH** *Phoenix Room*

Introduction of Keynote Speaker: Lydie Nadia Cabrera Pierre-Louis

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: RAUL HECTOR CASTRO

Former Governor of the State of Arizona

****AFTER LUNCH WE WILL DEPART FOR PHOENIX SCHOOL OF LAW****

FRIDAY AFTERNOON'S EVENTS WILL BE HELD AT THE PHOENIX SCHOOL OF LAW

2:00-3:30 PM **AFTERNOON PLENARY SESSION** *Room 303*
The Legacy of Cesar Chavez Joint Video Conference with CAPALF

Opening Remarks: Kevin R. Johnson, Dean, Professor of Law and Chicana/o Studies, and
Mabie-Apallas Public Interest Law Chair, UC-Davis Law School

Moderator:

Dennis Shields, Professor and Former Dean, Phoenix School of Law

Panelists:

Francisca Montoya, Arizona Regional Director, Cesar E. Chavez Foundation

Steven Bender, James and Ilene Hershner Professor of Law, University of Oregon Law School and Author, ONE NIGHT IN AMERICA: ROBERT KENNEDY, CESAR CHAVEZ, AND THE DREAM OF DIGNITY (2008)

3:30-3:45 PM **BREAK**

3:45-4:55 PM

CONCURRENT WORKS-IN-PROGRESS SESSION I

Room 303

Presenter: Nareissa L. Smith, Florida Coastal School of Law

Beyond Nooses and N-words – A Critique of the Gendered Portrayal of ‘Racism’ in Public Discourse and a Proposal for Redefinition

Presenter: Linh Dai, LL.M. Candidate, American University Washington College of Law

The Influence of Confucian Ideology on Vietnamese Women

3:45-4:55 PM

CONCURRENT WORKS-IN-PROGRESS SESSION II

Room 304

Presenter: Areto Imoukhuede, Nova Southeastern University Shepard Broad Law Center

Private Contracts and Public Resources in the Department of Homeland Security’s Federal Protective Service

Presenter: Rebecca Dixon, Duke University School of Law (Alum)

Constitutional Omissions: Hegemony and Sexual Property

5:00-5:15 PM

BREAK

5:15-6:15 PM

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

Room 304

Surviving and Thriving in the Academy

Moderator:

Placido Gomez, Professor of Law, Phoenix School of Law

Panelists:

Raymond T. Diamond, Visiting Professor of Law, Louisiana State University Paul M. Hebert Law Center

L. Darnell Weeden, Associate Dean and Roberson King Professor of Law, Thurgood Marshall School Of Law, Texas Southern University

Evelyn L. Wilson, Professor of Law, Southern University Law Center

7:00-9:00 PM

DINNER AND RECEPTION AT PHOENIX SCHOOL OF LAW

Courtyard

Presentation to Student Writing Competition Winner: Donald Tibbs

Introduction of Keynote Speaker: Doris “Wendy” Greene

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: LAURA E. GÓMEZ

Professor of Law and Author of

MANIFEST DESTINIES: THE MAKING OF THE MEXICAN AMERICAN RACE

9:30-11:00 PM

HOSPITALITY SUITE

SATURDAY, MARCH 28th, 2009

7:30 AM-NOON **REGISTRATION AT HILTON GARDEN INN**

7:30-8:55 AM **BREAKFAST** *Phoenix Room*

9:00-10:30 AM **CONCURRENT PANEL SESSION I** *Sedona Room*
Education Law and Pipeline for Men of Color into the Legal Profession

Panelists:

Maurice Dyson, Associate Professor of Law, Thomas Jefferson School of Law
Pamela Edwards, Professor of Law and Director of the Center for Diversity in the Legal Profession, CUNY School of Law

9:00-10:30 AM **CONCURRENT PANEL SESSION II** *Prescott Room*
Race, Culture, Class and Health Care

Panelists:

Kathy L. Cerminara, Professor of Law, Nova Southeastern University Shepard Broad Law Center
Dayna Bowen Matthew, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Professor of Law, University of Colorado Law School
Elizabeth Pendo, Professor of Law, St. Louis University School of Law
Jennifer M. Smith, Associate Professor of Law, Florida A&M University College of Law

9:00-10:30 AM **CONCURRENT PANEL SESSION III** *Pinetop Room*
Under the Influence: Hip Hop's Influence on Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness

Moderator and Panelist:

Kamille Wolff, Assistant Professor of Law, Thurgood Marshall School of Law, Texas Southern University

Panelists:

Adolpho A. Birch III, Vice President of Law & Labor Policy, National Football League
Todd J. Clark, Assistant Professor of Law, North Carolina Central University School of Law
andré douglas pond cummings, Professor of Law, West Virginia University College of Law
D. Aaron Lacy, Associate Professor of Law, Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law

10:30-10:40 AM **BREAK**

10:40-11:50 AM

CONCURRENT WORKS-IN-PROGRESS SESSION I
STUDENT WRITING COMPETITION WINNER

Sedona Room

Student Presenter: Jennifer Swayne, New York University School of Law
Reconciling Voluntary Integration with Residential and Public School Segregation

10:40-11:50 AM

CONCURRENT WORKS-IN-PROGRESS SESSION II

Prescott Room

Presenter: Kamille Wolff (with Todd Clark), Thurgood Marshall School of Law, Texas Southern University
HBCU and You: The Undeniable Impact that Historically Black Colleges and Universities Have on the Ivory Tower

Presenter: Todd J. Clark, North Carolina Central University School of Law
Anti-snitching Hip-Hop Attitudes, Employee Grievances and ADR

10:40-11:50 AM

CONCURRENT WORKS-IN-PROGRESS SESSION III

Pinetop Room

Presenter: Kamina Pinder, Atlanta's John Marshall Law School
Federal Demand and Local Choice: Chasing the Notion of Federalism in Education Policy

Presenter: Regina Ramsey James, Southern University Law Center
Toward Alternative Means of Achieving Educational Equality

12:00 -1:30 PM

LUNCH

Phoenix Room

Introduction of Keynote Speaker: L. Darnell Weeden

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: DEAN CYNTHIA NANCE

University of Arkansas School of Law

1:40-2:50 PM

CONCURRENT WORKS-IN-PROGRESS SESSION I

Sedona Room

Presenter: Mary Dolores Guerra, Phoenix School of Law
Notario Fraud: The Human Cost

Presenter: Jelani Jefferson Exum, University of Kansas School of Law
Reasons for Releasing the Anchor from Federal Sentencing

1:40-2:50 PM

CONCURRENT WORKS-IN-PROGRESS SESSION II

Prescott Room

Presenter: Carla Pratt, Texas Wesleyan University School of Law
Lawyering at the Intersection of Race, Class and Culture

Presenter: Samuel Jones, The John Marshall Law School
Race, Class Stratification, and Human Trafficking

2:50-3:00 PM

BREAK

3:00-4:30 PM

CONCURRENT PANEL SESSION I

Sedona Room

Historically Black Law Schools and the Dialogue on Race

Moderator:

Russell Jones, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Jesse N. Stone Professor of Law
Southern University Law Center

Panelists:

Donald Corbett, Associate Professor of Law, North Carolina Central University School of Law

Deleso Alford Washington, Associate Professor, Florida A & M University College of Law

L. Darnell Weeden, Associate Dean and Roberson King Professor of Law, Thurgood Marshall School Of Law, Texas Southern University

3:00-4:30 PM

CONCURRENT PANEL SESSION II

Prescott Room

Diversifying Media: Moving Beyond the Current Paradigm

Moderator and Panelist:

Catherine Sandoval, Associate Professor of Law, Santa Clara University School of Law

Panelists:

Akilah N. Folami, Associate Professor of Law, Hofstra University School of Law

LaVonda Reed-Huff, Associate Professor of Law, Syracuse University College of Law

Susan Kuo, Associate Professor Law, University of South Carolina School of Law

Lydie Nadia Cabrera Pierre-Louis, Assistant Professor of Law, St. Thomas University School of Law (Florida)

3:00-4:30 PM

CONCURRENT PANEL SESSION III

Pinetop Room

On Law and Literature

Panelists:

Raymond T. Diamond, Visiting Professor of Law, Louisiana State University Paul M. Hebert Law Center

Doris "Wendy" Greene, Assistant Professor of Law, Cumberland School of Law at Samford University

Donald F. Tibbs, Associate Professor of Law, Drexel University Earle Mack School of Law

4:45 PM

CLOSING REMARKS

Phoenix Room

Eugene Clark, Interim Dean, Phoenix School of Law
Professor Mary Dolores Guerra, Phoenix School of Law

7:00 PM

DINNER/DANCE

SUNDAY, MARCH 29th, 2009

7:30 AM

Golf Outing with Professor Dennis Shields

9:30 AM

Planning Committee Meeting

Sedona Room

CONFERENCE KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Raul Hector Castro

Raul Hector Castro was born June 12, 1916, in Cananea, Sonora, Mexico. Early in his life, the family moved to the United States, settling in Pirtleville, near Douglas, Arizona. Castro became a naturalized American citizen in 1939. He received a B.A. degree (teaching) from Northern Arizona University in 1939, served as an official with the U.S. Foreign Service in the 1940s and earned a J.D. degree from the University of Arizona in 1949. After graduation, he practiced law for five years. From 1955 to 1959, Castro was Pima County attorney. From 1959 to 1964, he served as a judge of the Pima County Superior Court. President Johnson appointed Castro as U.S. ambassador to El Salvador from 1964 to 1968, and he served as ambassador to Bolivia from 1968 to 1969. He made history in 1974, when he won election as governor, becoming the first Mexican-American to be elected Governor of Arizona. After completing two years of his four-year term as governor, Castro was tapped by President Jimmy Carter to be ambassador to Argentina from 1977 to 1980.

Laura E. Gómez

Laura E. Gómez is Professor of Law and American Studies at the University of New Mexico, and she is also Associate Dean for Faculty Development at the School of Law. Her educational background includes an A.B. from Harvard in Social Studies (where she was a Harry S Truman Scholar), an M.A. and Ph.D. in Sociology from Stanford University (where she had a National Science Foundation Graduate Fellowship), and a J.D. from Stanford Law School. Following law school, Gómez clerked on the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals for Judge Dorothy W. Nelson. Before going to Stanford, she worked as a legislative aide to U.S. Senator Jeff Bingaman. Professor Gómez teaches in the areas of constitutional law, civil procedure, criminal law, law and society, and race and the law. She is the only law professor with a joint appointment in UNM's College of Arts & Sciences; she has a one-quarter appointment in the Department of American Studies. She regularly teaches "Race and the Law in American History" to classes that include law students and both undergraduates and graduate students from a variety of departments.

Before joining the UNM faculty in 2005, Gómez spent 12 years as Professor of Law at UCLA (where she also was appointed in the Sociology Department). She was a co-founder and the first co-director (with Jerry Kang) of UCLA's Critical Race Studies Program, the first specialized program of study on race and law in any U.S. law school. Professor Gómez has lectured widely and has published numerous articles (including a 2000 article in *Law and Society Review*), book chapters, and op-ed commentaries, as well as two books. Her scholarship has focused on the intersection of law, politics and social stratification in both contemporary and historical contexts. In *Misconceiving Mothers: Legislators, Prosecutors and the Politics of Prenatal Drug Exposure* (1997), she documented the career of the "crack baby"/"crack mother" social problem in the media and public policy, situating it at the nexus of the abortion debate, the drug war, and competing discourses of criminalization and medicalization as they played out in the late 1980s. In her 2007 book, *Manifest*

Destinies: The Making of the Mexican American Race (released in paperback in September 2008), Gómez examines how law and racial ideology intersected to create new racial groups and to re-structure the turn-of-the-twentieth century racial order in the U.S. In a new project with sociologist Nancy López (funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Center for Health Policy at the University of New Mexico), she will explore the contemporary legacy of that racial order for the scientific study of "race"; how has the right's co-optation of the fact that race is socially constructed promoted the reigning color-blind ideology and what does that mean for how scholars and policymakers operationalize race?

Professor Gómez is active in several national scholarly organizations, including the Law and Society Association (where she has served as Treasurer and on the Board of Trustees), the American Sociology Association's Sociology of Law Section, the American Association of Law Schools Minority Section, the Critical Race Theory Workshops, and LatCrit. Gómez is an Associate Editor of the *Law & Society Review*; she will serve as co-editor of a special volume of the *Review* on law, race and inequality to be published in 2009. Gómez has been a peer reviewer for several other journals in legal studies, gender studies, Chicano/a studies, legal history and sociology, and she has been a member of the editorial boards of *SIGNS* and *Studies in Law, Politics and Society*. Gómez has held prestigious residential fellowships at the School for American Research in Santa Fe (where in 2004 she was the first legal scholar selected) and the Stanford Humanities Center, where in 1996-97 she was the last Rockefeller Fellow in Legal Humanities.

Professor Gómez was born in Roswell, but was raised in Albuquerque. She and her son live in the North Valley, where she attended APS public elementary, middle and high schools. Her volunteer activities have included serving on the governing council of the South Valley Academy, serving on the board of directors of the ACLU of Southern California, and serving on the MALDEF scholarship committee.

Cynthia Nance

Dean Cyndi Nance earned her J.D. with distinction and M.A. in finance from the University of Iowa. Prior to teaching law, Dean Nance worked as a labor educator at the University of Iowa Labor Center and was a faculty fellow in the law school. Her teaching and research areas include labor and employment law, poverty law, and torts. She has presented academic papers at Yale University, University of Illinois, George Washington University Law School, and Franklin Pierce Law Center.

She is a member of Phi Delta Phi and the W. B. Putman American Inn of Court. Dean Nance was a recipient of the 2009 T. E. Patterson Education Award from the Arkansas Democratic Black Caucus, the 2007 Arthur A. Fletcher Award from the American Association for Affirmative Action, and the 2006 NIA Professional Achievement Award. She was also honored as the 2005 Arkansas Bar Association Outstanding Lawyer-Citizen. In 2004 she received the University of Arkansas Alumni Association's Faculty Distinguished

Achievement Award for Public Service and was recognized in 2003 as a Northwest Arkansas Woman of Distinction and a Northwest Arkansas Martin Luther King Individual Achievement Award recipient. She was selected for inclusion in Who's Who in America, 2004 edition, and Who's Who of American Women, 25th Edition, 2006-07. She is past chair of the American Association of Law Schools (AALS) Employment Discrimination and Labor and Employment Law Sections.

Dean Nance is licensed in Iowa and is a member of the American, National, Arkansas, and Washington County Bar Associations and the Arkansas Association of Women Lawyers. She is a member of the Arkansas Bar Association's Commission on Diversity and the Lawyers Helping Lawyers Committee. Dean Nance is also co-chair of the American Bar Association's Section of Labor and Employment Law: Ethics and Professional Responsibility Committee. She is a board member of the Law School Admissions Council and a board member of the Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service.

At the University of Arkansas, Dean Nance has served on several committees within the School of Law and the broader university community. She has been a faculty advisor to the Kappa Iota Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority and advisor to the Black Law Students Association. She is a member of Good Shepherd Lutheran church, where she serves on the Social Ministry Committee and is a reader, greeter, occasional Sunday school teacher, and former church council member.

CONFERENCE PANELISTS

Steven W. Bender

Steven W. Bender is James and Ilene Hershner Professor of Law and Director of Portland Programs at the University of Oregon School of Law. Prior to joining the faculty, he spent five years practicing real estate law at the Phoenix-based law firm of Lewis and Roca. Professor Bender is the coauthor of a casebook on real estate transactions and a national treatise on real estate financing. He has also published *GREASERS AND GRINGOS: LATINOS, LAW, AND THE AMERICAN IMAGINATION* (2003), *COMPRENDE? THE SIGNIFICANCE OF SPANISH IN ENGLISH-ONLY TIMES* (2008), *ONE NIGHT IN AMERICA: ROBERT KENNEDY, CESAR CHAVEZ, AND THE DREAM OF DIGNITY* (2008), and co-authored *EVERYDAY LAW FOR LATINO/AS* (2008). In late 2009 NYU Press will publish his latest book *TIERRA Y LIBERTAD* on Latino/a housing. Professor Bender is an elected member of the American Law Institute and the American College of Real Estate Lawyers, the former co-chair of LatCrit, and the incoming co-president of SALT.

Mary Bird

Mary Bird has worked in the area of children's rights and education for over twenty years. She practiced as a supervising attorney at the Office of the Public Guardian and as a staff attorney in the Children's Rights Project of the Legal Assistance Foundation of Chicago. Ms. Bird served as the first attorney for the Office of the Inspector General for DCFS, which investigates complaints against the Department and its employees. Ms. Bird has a strong interest in civic engagement by young people. For over fifteen years, Ms. Bird has coordinated Loyola's Street Law program, which places law students in high schools to assist in teaching law. She worked with law students to develop Loyola's Law Related Education in the Juvenile Temporary Detention Center program, a student volunteer program that attracts as many as fifty students each semester. Ms. Bird has recently become involved in pipeline programs aimed at increasing minority involvement in the legal profession. She serves as faculty advisor to the Loyola Pipeline Project, which is aimed at exposing minority students to the legal profession while assisting them in the very practical tasks of preparing for college entrance exams and writing college essays. She developed the Loyola Law Academy, a program that brings high school students to Loyola Law School on four consecutive Saturdays in the Spring semester. Ms. Bird received her B.A. from Catholic University of America in 1980 and her J.D. from Loyola University Chicago School of Law in 1987 where she was Editor-in-Chief of the Loyola Law Review.

Adolpho Birch, III

Adolpho Birch currently serves as Vice President of Law & Labor Policy for the National Football League, which is headquartered in New York, New York. Upon joining the NFL in 1997, his primary responsibility was the enforcement of the League's Collective Bargaining Agreement, which encompassed issues including player and Club grievances, benefits matters and salary cap disputes. In his current capacity, he principally oversees the development, administration and enforcement of the League's policies on substances of

abuse, steroids and other performance-enhancing substances and criminal misconduct. Today, the NFL is widely regarded as the most proactive, comprehensive and effective sports organization in dealing with these issues.

Prior to joining the NFL, Mr. Birch was in private practice in Houston, Texas, initially with Fulbright & Jaworski's Antitrust/Complex Litigation group and later with a boutique firm specializing in labor, insurance defense and municipal finance. Preceding his firm affiliations, he served as judicial law clerk to the Honorable Thomas A. Wiseman, Jr., Chief Judge of the U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Tennessee. Mr. Birch attended Vanderbilt University Law School as a Patricia Roberts Harris Scholar, serving on the Editorial Board of the *Vanderbilt Law Review* and earning his juris doctorate in 1991. He did his undergraduate work at Harvard University, where he graduated with honors in Government and was a member of the junior varsity lacrosse and basketball teams, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity and several student organizations. On a personal note, Mr. Birch was raised in Nashville and is actively involved in a number of professional and philanthropic organizations including the Sports Lawyers Association, Partnership for Clean Competition and National Bar Association.

Cynthia Carrasco

Born in Glendale, California to Ecuadoran immigrants, Ms. Carrasco is familiar with the opportunities for first generation Americans. She was the first in her family to attend college and law school. Ms. Carrasco graduated from Syracuse University, where she focused on communications and political science. Ms. Carrasco earned her J.D. from the University of La Verne College of Law. As a law student, she clerked at Lewis Brisbois Bisgaard and Smith as well as at The Capital Group Companies. Ms. Carrasco also served as a mediator for the Inland Valley's Justice Center and Legal Aid Volunteer for the Pomona Free Legal Clinic. After law school, she served as Model Court Liaison for the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges in several jurisdictions across the country. While with the National Council, Ms. Carrasco consulted with the bench and bar on implementation of best practices within the dependency system with a focus on abuse and neglect cases. Ms. Carrasco has been on numerous panels regarding Latinos and education, co-authored an article featured in the special Juvenile issue of the Colorado Lawyer, focusing on Colorado's Model Courts. Before serving as the Executive Director, Ms. Carrasco worked for the Hispanic National Bar Foundation as the Program Director for the 2008 Future Latino Leaders Law Camp and Camp Counselor for the 2006 and 2007. In her current position, Ms. Carrasco's primary responsibilities are program development, fundraising, and building awareness of the foundation's role within the Hispanic community and the legal community as a whole.

Rhoda Pierre Cato

Rhoda Pierre Cato joined the faculty of Florida A&M University College of Law, in 2005, after serving 8 years as a judge and magistrate for the City of Houston, Texas, Municipal Courts. Prior to her appointment to the bench, as an Assistant City Attorney assigned to

the vice division, of the Houston Police Department Cato facilitated the passage of the City's new ordinance regulating Sexually Oriented Businesses. Since joining the faculty of Florida A&M College of Law, "the judge" has taught a variety of courses including Contracts I and II, Juvenile Law, Family Law, Interviewing, Counseling and Negotiations, Legal Methods I and II, and Law and Film. She also coaches the Negotiations, Arbitrations and Client Counseling teams and serves on FAMU's Faculty Senate.

Kathy L. Cerminara

Kathy L. Cerminara, Professor of Law at the Nova Southeastern University Shepard Broad Law Center, teaches Torts, Civil Procedure, and health-law-related courses. She also created, was the initial director of, and teaches in the school's online Master of Science in Health Law program for non-lawyers. Her scholarship focuses on patients' rights in the managed health care system and on end-of-life decisionmaking. She is co-author of the leading treatise in that area of law, *The Right to Die: The Law of End-of-Life Decisionmaking* (3d ed. updated through 2009), and she and her co-author are working on a book about hospice and palliative care.

Todd J. Clark

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