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North Carolina Central University School of Law has earned its designation as an established leader in legal education. The high quality presence of our alumni in the practicing bar, the judiciary, and in government service is the greatest testimony to the Law School’s firm standing within the world of legal education. The Law School’s commitments to stellar classroom instruction, supported by our nationally ranked clinical legal education programs, combine to produce exceptionally well-prepared and practice-ready attorneys. Clinical legal education, without question, contributes substantially toward the preparation of young attorneys in their ability to provide effective legal service.

Operated by seasoned and dedicated members of our Law School faculty, the Clinic at NCCU School of Law is one of the finest clinical programs in the nation. As an established fixture in providing public service, our Clinic has a clear and measurable impact that also reinforces the Law School’s firm standing within the world of legal education. The experiences that shape the minds of Durham County’s newest District Court Judges will be talking about for years to come. It’s the way they carry themselves. It’s the way they treat their clients. It’s the way they treat their peers that Durham County’s newest District Court Judge, Pat Evans, was referring to when she made the above statement. The experiences that shape these young professionals are quite inspiring. But before you read their stories, let me share with you some of the exciting things that have happened recently with the Legal Clinic.

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No matter what courtroom you are in, in North Carolina and beyond its borders, you can tell the NCCU Law student. They don’t have to open their mouths. It’s the way they carry themselves.

- The Honorable Pat Evans, District Court Judge and Double Eagle, Women’s Law Caucus Luncheon Speaker, March 21, 2010

I am proud to share with you some of the stories that helped produce the confident young attorneys that Durham County’s newest District Court Judge, Pat Evans, was referring to when she made the above statement. The experiences that shape these young professionals are quite inspiring. But before you read their stories, let me share with you some of the exciting things that have happened recently with the Legal Clinic.

Breaking Records

2010 proved to be a banner year for the NCCU Clinical Legal Education Program. We closed the academic year in May with a record number of clinics and a record enrollment of students for 252 placements in our clinical and skills courses. Ultimately, we provided a record high of $1,994,375 in free legal services to indigent individuals, nonprofits, pro bono and government agencies, corporations, and private law firms in the community. Remarkable is the term that comes to mind when I try to describe our success. We were very proud to report these developments, and although it was May, it soon became apparent that our year had just begun.

New Grants - New Clinics - New Technology

The spring and summer of 2010 marked our most active year for grant applications.

Assistant Dean Adrienne Meddock applied to the United States Patent and Trademark Office for privileges under its Trademark Law School Certification Program. In July, we were notified that NCCU was one of only 10 law schools that made a successful application. We now boast an Intellectual Property Clinic that will assist people with trademark applications.

New Technology

The summer of 2010 also marked the beginning of a new relationship with the United States Department of Treasury and our VITA program. In July, we were notified that the VITA program was accepted into the Financial Independence Project, a grant from The Kellogg Foundation. As a sub-contractor, our VITA program will incorporate information on financial education and asset building into our current activities.

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Most recently, Professor Reginald Mombours, with the help of Assistant Professor Felicia Branch, successfully applied to the Internal Revenue Service for a Low Income Taxpayer Clinic. This Clinic will begin later this spring to represent clients who have a disagreement with the Internal Revenue Service.

True to Our Mission

Every day we pursue our mission to train law students to be sensitive to the needs of the underserved, no matter what professional goals they seek to obtain. The growth of the Law School is not just in numbers, but also in the breadth of social, educational, and professional backgrounds of the students we serve. The Legal Clinic constantly monitors the state of the legal profession and strives to provide a vast array of clinical opportunities that support the diverse interests and professional goals of our students.

Team Spirit

This term is not just for athletics. If you walk down the hallways of our Legal Clinic, you can feel it. We are a lively, eclectic group. Young and not so young, black, white, Hispanic, Native American, Jewish, Christian, Gendie, male, female; we are literally and figuratively “all over the place.” It is not unusual to find us in the offices of one another, discussing the latest case, or giving and receiving advice on litigation strategy and teaching methodology. Our diverse backgrounds stimulate thoughtful, in-depth discussions. We are happy to have this responsibility and it shows. We laugh loudly and often. Our students and colleagues often comment about “those people in the Clinic.” We consider our students a part of our team, especially the interns. We are grateful for smaller classes that give us the opportunity to spend quality time with them talking about life, the law, and the profession. We never miss an opportunity to discuss not only ethics, but professionalism.

Institutional Support

Many years before 1992, when the American Bar Association issued its MacCrate Report encouraging the practical experience of law students while enrolled in law school, our clinical program enjoyed the support of both the Law School and university administrations. As late as the 1970s, our minority graduates continued to face racial discrimination as they entered the profession and most decided to open their own practice. These inexperienced practitioners lacked the mentoring and resources that many white lawyers enjoyed just graduating. In response to this dilemma, exposure to the practical skills necessary to succeed in the practice of law became a critical objective for NCCU Law. With university support, practical skills programs were developed with federal grants and state grants. Over the years, funding for most of these programs was absorbed into the state operational budget, which created the financial security required to attract highly qualified, dedicated faculty and staff.

It is ironic that the discrimination that required NCCU Law to create a practical skills curriculum in the early 1970s provided the foundation for this historically black law school to become a nationally recognized leader in practical skills training. This foundation laid the groundwork for NCCU School of Law to create a practical skills curriculum that is unmatched by any other law school in the state and by very few in the nation.
I have been a District Court Judge in Durham County since December 1, 2002. Since taking the bench, I have had the pleasure of presiding over many cases whose students from NCCU School of Law have appeared before me from the various clinical programs (mostly from the Criminal Litigation Clinic as interns with the District Attorney and Public Defender).

While in law school, I was the beneficiary of clinical practice. I attended Cumberland School of Law in Birmingham, Alabama, graduating in 1976. I was in the first class that was allowed to participate in the third-year practice act in Alabama. I believe that Cumberland was on the cutting edge of clinical legal education. After being in the classroom for two years, it was exciting and nerve-wracking to be allowed in a real courtroom with real cases and real clients (being able to put into practice what I had learned). When I talked with my first client, I am sure I was more nervous than he was. At that point, I learned that sometimes clients could be less than truthful with their lawyers.

It is apparent that NCCU is now taking clinical legal education to a new level. I have commented in court on numerous occasions, “If you want to learn how to practice law, go to Central.” It is extremely important for lawyers to know the basic law when they become lawyers. However, it is also crucial that practicing attorneys be able to transfer this legal knowledge into practical skills that can assist their clients to resolve their legal issues in court.

Practically speaking, the majority of practicing attorneys in North Carolina are engaged in the general practice of law. This involves assisting their clients in traffic cases, minor criminal offenses and general civil matters. The majority of these cases are handled in District Court. It is very helpful to the practicing lawyer to observe and mentor them. New lawyers should not be afraid to ask questions. Mistakes will be made. It is important for new lawyers to understand that the tragedy is in not learning from your mistakes. The clerk and bailiffs can also be a lot of help to a new attorney. They are in the courtroom more than anyone. They can give practical insights into the inner workings of the courtroom and tendencies of the judge. (Yes, we judges are human and have similar responses to similar cases and situations).

Clinical legal education is becoming more common in all of our law schools, both locally and nationally. They are a vital component of a good legal education to properly train and educate lawyers to be effective advocates for their clients. I can say without reservation that in my eight years on the bench, NCCU has been leading the way in the Research Triangle in this area. NCCU should be proud of the “practice-ready” lawyers it is producing.

The Honorable James T. Hill is a District Court Judge for the 14th Judicial District of North Carolina. He was elected to the District Court bench in 2002.

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In 2008, as media reports surfaced about the subprime mortgage meltdown and rampant predatory lending practices by lenders, 64-year-old Annie Smith (not her real name) sought legal assistance from NCCU’s Civil Litigation Clinic. Ms. Smith was facing foreclosure of her home because she was allegedly behind in her payments. The clinic student handling her case quickly discovered that Ms. Smith was current in her payments. The problem was the way in which the mortgage company treated her escrow payments. A simple misunderstanding like this should have been quickly resolved with a phone call or letter. Case closed, right? Not exactly. The clinic had been negotiating were fired or laid off. With no one to negotiate with, it felt like the clinic was shooting at a moving target.

The student filed a complaint with the State Banking Commission and prepared to litigate Ms. Smith’s case of the mortgage company pursued foreclosure. While the case was pending, two mortgage companies that held Ms. Smith’s mortgage went out of business. To make matters worse, all of the opposing lawyers with whom the clinic had been negotiating were fired or laid off. With no one to negotiate with, it felt like the clinic was shooting at a moving target.

In the end, the student’s perseverance and hard work paid off. A new mortgage company, represented by a “reasonable” lawyer, was assigned the loan. A favorable settlement was quickly negotiated, and Ms. Smith’s loan was refinanced at a rate that cut her monthly payments by nearly $200. Today, she is current on her house payments and is thankful for the assistance offered by the Civil Litigation Clinic.

When her case was closed, with her newfound savings, Ms. Smith offered to pay the Clinic for its work on her behalf. She was informed that the Clinic cannot accept payment from clients. Not to be dissuaded, Ms. Smith prepared a batch of her world famous banana pudding and delivered it to the students and faculty in the Clinic one spring afternoon. It was, without a doubt, the best banana pudding anyone had ever tasted!

Here at NCCU School of Law, legal education goes far beyond teaching legal theory. NCCU operates a number of excellent clinical legal education programs, but the Law School’s first clinical program was the Civil Litigation Clinic, initiated by Professor Thomas Ringer nearly 25 years ago.

The Civil Litigation Clinic, currently led by Professor Greg Malhoit, is designed for two equally important purposes: first, to allow third-year law students to learn, through experiential learning, how to practice law and represent real clients; and, second, to help fulfill the promise of “equal justice under law” by providing valuable legal services to low-income persons living in the Durham area. Students represent clients across a broad range of civil areas including landlord-tenant, unemployment, consumer, domestic, government benefits, and advance directives. The students provide legal advice, prepare documents, negotiate, initiate or defend litigation, and go to trial when necessary. The supervising attorney requires that students keep a weekly journal with candid reflections of what they are learning and experiencing about the practice of law. Students also participate in weekly case review meetings to collaborate on key case decisions.

For the past 25 years, hundreds of graduates of NCCU School of Law have taken their first practical steps towards the practice of law in the Civil Litigation Clinic. With this solid foundation, most have gone on to become highly successful practicing lawyers, distinguishing themselves as leaders in their areas of interest. As one graduate, Ms. Smith was able to retain the services of a “reasonable” lawyer, which allowed her to negotiate a favorable settlement that cut her monthly payments by nearly $200.

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**Criminal Defense Clinic**

**MOVING FROM FEAR TO CONFIDENCE**

In the spring of 2010, Criminal Defense Clinic client Julia Baker (not her real name) was charged with Misdemeanor Larceny. At 27 years old, Ms. Baker did not have any prior experience with the criminal court system. As a single mother, she was scared she might have to go to jail and be separated from her young child. As a college student, she was afraid that a criminal charge might prevent her from ever finding a good job.

On top of everything else, her assigned “attorney” was only a student! Fear was a clear emotion in Ms. Baker’s eyes when she stepped into the Clinic office for her initial interview with George Marsh ’10. Yet, Mr. Marsh demonstrated such knowledge and professionalism during the interview that Ms. Baker appeared visibly relieved when she left a white knight. When Mr. Marsh’s efforts resulted in Ms. Baker’s case being dismissed in court, Mr. Marsh and the Clinic proved that they were worthy of the trust and confidence Ms. Baker showed at the end of that first interview.

While working in the Criminal Defense Clinic last year, Andrew J. Neal ’10 developed confidence in his ability to handle any events that might arise in the course of client representation. Mr. Neal was assigned to represent a client, David Smith (not his real name), who was charged with a relatively minor offense—Drinking Beer While Driving. While preparing to meet Mr. Smith for the first time, Mr. Neal learned that Mr. Smith also faced a pending felony drug charge. Mr. Neal entered my office with wide eyes and obvious anxiety as he reported the news about Mr. Smith’s felony charge. After a lengthy discussion with me, Mr. Neal conducted legal research and prepared to take on both of Mr. Smith’s cases. Using his knowledge of the law, his professional skills, and my signature, Mr. Neal successfully negotiated a plea agreement in which the felony charge was dismissed. Mr. Smith was satisfied with this result and with Mr. Neal’s efforts on his behalf. Having effectively handled a felony case, Mr. Neal demonstrated that the training and experience provided by the Criminal Defense Clinic can prepare a student to handle the unexpected challenges that often arise in a client’s case.

Shortly before graduating from law school, Mr. Neal summarized his experience in the Criminal Defense Clinic as follows:

“This is what I have seen in my internships, lack of confidence in the courtroom is the biggest setback for young attorneys—not only in public speaking, but confidence in knowing the law. My experience in the Clinic has taught me by what is perfect, but it has given me a huge advantage to get out of school. I am very grateful for my experience and feel extremely confident beginning to practice.”

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**Family Law Clinic**

**MAKING A POSITIVE DIFFERENCE WITH A FAMILY IN CRISIS**

Mr. Smith was satisfied with this representation in child custody cases. Unfortunately, the Family Law Clinic cannot meet this demand, but we do our best. Unlike other clinics, students make a commitment to this Clinic for the full academic year. This commitment allows the Clinic to serve more clients and increases the likelihood that students will represent clients until their matter is resolved. Here is a reflection of one of our dedicated students, Clarissa Halls, Class of 2011:

“My experience as a student enrolled in the Family Law Clinic course at the North Carolina Central University (NCCU) School of Law has been absolutely invaluable. Initially, I was afraid that I would be making copies and doing research or writing legal memos, having only limited contact with clients. Instead, I have enjoyed the supervision of a true mentor in Professor Nakia Davis ’01, who has allowed me the opportunity to gain practical experience through hands-on interaction with real clients in real courtrooms.

I am sure that I will never forget my first REAL case. Professor Davis assigned me co-counsel, Chaun McAllister 4LE, and me to a mom who desperately wanted to keep her family together. She and her husband had separated, and her husband had filed a Complaint for Custody of their eldest son. Through a series of interviews with the client and, what I would like to call, “think tanks” with Professor Davis and Chaun, it became clear that litigation was going to be exceptionally difficult for our very emotional client. Rather than rushing to file an Answer and Countersclaims, we decided to meet with opposing counsel to determine whether we could somehow find an acceptable alternative resolution for her.

“Prior to our meeting, Professor Davis propped me and Chaun accordingly—she warned us not to give away too much, to listen intensely, to take notes when necessary, and to ask as many relevant questions as we thought would get answered. I think Chaun and I both thought that Professor Davis would lead the meeting on our behalf but she gave us the reins, allowing me to take the lead, only interjecting when necessary. I rattled off a litany of questions regarding the father’s parental fitness, the necessary educational and disciplinary considerations for the rebellious teen, and the emotional impact that a custody battle as to only one of the children would have on the other’s insurance. Professor Davis had me draft the Committee’s recommendation to the NCJCL Law School’s on-staff psychologist, Dr. Donna Kornegay, about insurance issues and costs.

“Probably the biggest obstacle with our family counseling idea was that this family was not an American family. Accordingly, we needed to make sure that the proposed counselors did not impose our cultural biases on them. Professor Davis told me to do some research and instructed me to ask the NCCL Law School’s on-staff psychologist, Dr. Donna Kornegay, about insurance issues and costs.

“We found a psychologist that both sides agreed to pretty quickly—one that understood the heritage of the parents and who accepted our client’s insurance. Professor Davis had me draft a Consent Order as a temporary resolution to the pending custody issue, because we needed to see whether the parents could resolve their issues through counseling before we moved forward with litigation. Professor Davis reviewed the Consent Order before she allowed me to submit it for signature.

The information we gathered during the meeting revealed that the majority of the disagreements between our clients and her husband revolved around the discipline of their teenage son. At the meeting’s close, we resolved to attempt to get the parents to agree to some form of family counseling, whether they decided to stay married or not. From all accounts, both parents loved for their children. It seemed likely that they would agree to the counseling, if not nothing else, the emotional well-being of the kids.

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In response to the epidemic of juveniles who are falling between the cracks in the juvenile justice system, the Juvenile Law Clinic was developed. Under the supervision of Clinical Professor Nelwyn Moore, students receive 60 hours of classroom instruction and training, followed by 60 hours of fieldwork in juvenile court representing students facing long-term suspension from school in Durham and Wake counties. Attorney Mark Trustin is a long-term adjunct professor for the long-term suspension cases. Many policy changes have been implemented by the local school boards as a result of his advocacy.

Jocelyn Calvin ’2L recounts her experience in the Juvenile Law Clinic:

“During the Fall 2010 Juvenile Law Clinic, I received a set of facts that I was sure would result in an unfavorable outcome for my client. He was a senior in a Durham County high school and was suspended for the remainder of the school year on the first day of classes. The suspension resulted in the loss of his high school diploma while simultaneously incurring a short-term suspension on my client’s record and would go to alternative school for one marking period. In addition, at the conclusion of the school year, the short-term suspension would be expunged from my client’s academic record and would be documented as an administrative transfer. My client was ecstatic when I presented the offer to him and graciously accepted it. With the long-term suspension behind him, my client enrolled in a technical college program where he could obtain his high school diploma while simultaneously taking college credits.

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INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY CLINIC
PROTECTING CREATIONS OF THE MIND

“WHEN I HEARD THAT THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE WOULD BE HOSTING A TRADEMARK CLINIC AT NCCU SCHOOL OF LAW, I KNEW THAT IT WAS AN OPPORTUNITY THAT I HAD TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF. I KNEW THAT THE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE DID NOT GRANT THIS PRIVILEGE TO MANY LAW SCHOOLS. AS A STUDENT WITH GREAT INTEREST IN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY, I REALIZED THAT THIS CLINIC WOULD PROVIDE ME WITH INVALUABLE EXPERIENCE THAT WOULD DISTINGUISH ME FROM MY PEERS.”

Obiase Mmeje, Class of 2012

In August 2010, North Carolina Central University School of Law was selected by the United States Patent and Trademark Office to be one of the 16 law schools in the nation to participate in a unique clinical opportunity assisting clients seeking trademarks for their goods and services. In this pilot program, law students can act on behalf of clients in filing applications for federal trademark registration.

Eligible clients are individuals, small businesses or nonprofit organizations that do not otherwise have the ability to afford the services of an attorney with substantial experience in trademark prosecution. The law students will then engage in a two-fold inquiry. First, the student will conduct a trademark availability search to determine if the selected trademark does not infringe upon another party’s rights and then determine whether it is likely that an application for federal registration will be successful. Finally, if no substantive obstacles are encountered, an application for federal registration is filed. All work is supervised by a licensed attorney with substantial experience in trademark prosecution.

Although intellectual property rights, including rights to patents for inventions, rights to use and register trademarks or service marks, and rights established in copyrightable works, are valuable business assets, formal registration and protection can be costly and beyond the means of many start-up companies and entrepreneurs. Taking advantage of the services available in the Intellectual Property Legal Clinic can reduce considerably the resources required and, at the same time, provide valuable experiences for individual clinic students. Without question, this is a win-win situation.

At the present time, services provided in the Intellectual Property Clinic are limited to the University’s own trademark, and no plans are underway to begin offering limited services in the patent area in the near future.

Joyce Jenzsno ’96
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The vision of the nonprofit Center for Child and Family Health (CCFH) is that every child has the right to be loved, nurtured, and safe. As an off-campus extension of the NCCU Clinical Program, the Legal Program at CCFH connects the expertise of NCCU School of Law with a wide array of mental health, medical and abuse prevention faculty and staff from Duke University, UNC Chapel Hill, and the nonprofit Child and Parent Support Services (CAPSS). In a multidisciplinary approach, which provides in-house legal support in a licensed clinical setting, it is particularly effective and unique in the nation. As expressed by CCFH Executive Director, Dr. Robert Murphy: “The Center for Child and Family Health remains at the leading edge of innovation in bridging the legal and mental health professions. Despite a commonality of interest and focus on child well-being, nationally the two professions have been more likely to serve as referral sources for one another, rather than collaborative, co-located partners with equal investment and accountability for better child outcomes. To have a legal program of such high caliber, with the backing of a prominent law school, remains an exception in mental health care and training nationally.”

Although we are in a time of war, with much attention paid to post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) among members of our armed forces, organizations like CCFH raise public awareness about a very different population: babies, toddlers, and teenagers who have experienced traumatic stress here in our own country. PTSD arises when we “feel terror, helplessness, or horror because of the extreme seriousness of what is happening and the failure of any way to protect against or reverse the harmful outcome. These powerful, distressing emotions go along with strong, even frightening physical reactions, such as rapid heartbeat, trembling, stomach dropping, and a sense of being in a dream.” National Child Traumatic Stress Network, “Understanding Child Traumatic Stress” page 1 http://www.nctsn.org/resources/audiences/parents-caregivers/understanding-child-traumatic-stress

For a sense of how many children might be exposed to PTSD in our own community, one of our joint community projects, the North Carolina Child Response Initiative (NCCRI), provides some insight. NCCRI combines the efforts of the Durham Department of Social Services (DSS), the Durham Police Department, and CCFH clinicians who ride together with patrol officers on police calls involving children.

Because many children are often involved in traumatic events as a result of child abuse or witnessing violence, they have a greater likelihood of being drawn into legal actions than children who might otherwise receive mental health care.

Both the child and his or her CCFH therapist may be called to testify in criminal court, Divine court, Family Court, Domestic Violence Courts, or other legal forums. To reduce the stress for children in testifying the events to an audience made up largely of strangers, and to assist the court effectively with clear expert witness testimony, the clinicians and Legal Program staff work together to mutually educate each other. For example, the Legal Program helped produce an online guide for parents and adolescents on coping with the legal system in child sexual abuse cases, published online on the National Child Traumatic Stress Network website, http://www.nctsn.org.

The CCFH Legal Program annually provides training to its more than 50 staff and graduate interns, including an expert witness training. This training has included vigorous mock cross-examinations of mental health staff by NCCU Law professors Fred Williams and Greg Malhoit, which the CCFH staff acknowledges would make any courtroom feel less intimidating. At NCCU School of Law, the Legal Program helps train future attorneys to better serve children, as the Legal Director regularly teaches courses in Domestic Violence Law and Scientific Evidence (expert testimony). The CCFH Legal Program also helps develop activities and train law student counselors at the NCCU Legal Eagle Law Camp each summer.

At CCFH, law students play an integral role. The Legal Program utilizes the energy and compassion of supervised NCCU law students to do the following: assist with tailored legal information; develop well-encouraged written and online public information; and monitor legislative reform and CCFH court testimony involving children.

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As our region’s demographics are changing, the CCFH Legal Program and its law student support have developed immigration law materials to meet this need. For example, the CCFH Healthy Families program, which provides long-term, in-home abuse prevention and family support, now serves approximately 60 percent Spanish-speaking families. Through CCFH, pro bono law student William Vasquez ’10 took the lead in providing legal research for the CCFH-led consortium of community nonprofits, Working to Empower Spanish Speakers in the Triangle (WEST). He was influential in his ability to speak Spanish fluently at the meetings and translations CCFH Legal Program materials, such as our popular Immigration Law Referral Decision Tree, into Spanish.

While direct services were the initial focus at CCFH 15 years ago, training has become an increasingly larger focus of the grant funding at CCFH, in part, because Medicaid reimbursements for direct mental health services have been severely cut in recent years. Nevertheless, the broad multidisciplinary expertise at CCFH lends itself well to disseminating best practices throughout the state and the nation. Indeed, last year CCFH provided professional training to over 5,000 participants nationwide. The Legal Program in particular has focused on professional training to both the legal and non-legal professions. For example, last year the Legal Director, Jennifer Brobst presented “Demystifying Psychological Assessments” to juvenile court judges, attorneys, and staff at the N.C. Administrative Office of the Courts “Court Improvement Program” conference. A joint presentation by the CCFH Legal Director and Child Psychologist, Dr. Tripp Ake, proved that two professions are better than one in a plenary session on “PTSD & Mental Health Expert Testimony” at the Fall 2009 Conference of North Carolina Association of Defense Attorneys in Greensboro. A collaboration of four CCFH mental health faculty and the Legal Director produced the five-part, free online continuing education course series on “Children and Domestic Violence,” which continues to reach hundreds of online students every year. See http://www.ahecconnect.com.

The faculty and staff at CCFH are truly an impressive lot. In this short space, we can only mention a few of the types of programs that CCFH has developed in its short 15 years on behalf of children and families, such as:

- The East Durham Children’s Initiative (EDCI) coordinating community services to families in a 120-block contiguous area east of downtown Durham in one of the most impoverished sections of the city;
- The Period of Purple Crying, which has brought shaken-baby syndrome prevention materials to every mother giving birth in every hospital in the state;
- The research programs CCFH works with in helping bring evidence-based mental health therapy to HIV/AIDS orphans in Malawi and other parts of Africa;
- Policy work with the Legal Director’s involvement in the N.C. Commission on Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse, and the N.C. Commission on Domestic Violence;
- Not to mention all of its teen clinical support groups, Early Head Start, and other Durham school programs.

As a final thought, one would ordinarily begin a program description with its history, but here we will end with a historical note. One of the three founders of CCFH is NCCU School of Law Professor Cheryl Anma, and its first Legal Director was Professor Pamela Glean, now Assistant Dean of the Law School’s Clinical Legal Education Program. Both continue to provide invaluable support through involvement on the CCFH Board of Directors, and maintain dynamic links between CCFH and the clinical programs at NCCU School of Law. As stated by Dean Glean:

“I consider the Center to be a critical component of our clinical program. The relationship serves as a constant reminder to our students of the impact legal difficulties have on children and families. This reminder advances the mission of the clinical program to produce attorneys who are sensitive to all of the needs of vulnerable, underserved communities, not just their legal needs.”

For many years, through its partnership with our university neighbors at CCFH, NCCU School of Law has generously provided funding and legal support to its most vulnerable of community members – its children. The vision of its founders that every child be loved, nurtured, and safe comes to life every day through the many multidisciplinary programs at CCFH, and through the ongoing work of NCCU law students and alumni who have worked with the CCFH Legal Program and who continue to carry that vision forward.

Jennifer Brobst
Legal Director, Center for Child and Family Health
B.A., University of Cape Town in South Africa
J.D., University of San Diego School of Law
LL.M., Victoria University School of Law in Wellington, New Zealand

I really enjoyed my time at the Center. Getting a chance to advise medical personnel about legal issues—the credibility of child sexual assault victims—was probably the highlight for me. I really felt like my time at the Center was valued, and that I was not just showing up to check off a box. I think my time there sparked my interest in working with children and going into family law.

Janie Kelly ’08
(Continuing in solo practice in Charlotte, NC)
To commemorate National Constitution Day, the NCCU School of Law unveiled a Mural of The Constitution of the United States of America created by the famed muralist, Michael Brown. The unveiling ceremony took place on Friday, September 17, 2010, at 4:00 p.m. on the second floor of the Turner Law Building. The guest speaker was Randall Kennedy, the Michael R. Klein Professor of Law at Harvard Law School. In his lecture, Professor Kennedy examined aspects of the U.S. Constitution as it relates to the historic and present day understanding of U.S. citizenship.

Dedication remarks were given by Art Pope, President of the John William Pope Foundation, immediately following the unveiling of the mural. Mr. Pope’s remarks centered on the ways in which “the force of ideas declared and adopted in 1776” have guided the “interpretation and application to the law of these documents.” In referring specifically to the 13th, 14th, 15th, and 19th Amendments, Mr. Pope recognized the evolutionary growth of our founding documents as our country strives for “not a perfect, but a ‘more perfect union’ under Constitutional government.”

Dean Pierce was very pleased with the outcome of the project. He stated, “Michael Brown has done an outstanding job in creating this mural of the United States Constitution. The mural is a fitting addition to our law school building. Our law school is thankful to Art Pope and The Pope Foundation for their generous support toward this work of art.”

MEMBERS OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES JUDGE ADVOCATES CORPS AND LEADING NATIONAL EXPERTS IN MILITARY JUSTICE VISITED NCCU SCHOOL OF LAW TO DISCUSS ISSUES IN LAW AND NATIONAL SECURITY, INCLUDING THE COMPLEXITIES THAT WOULD BE INVOLVED IN CLOSING THE GUANTANAMO BAY DETENTION CAMP. SEATED FROM LEFT ARE NAVY CAPT. DAVID WAGNER, AIR FORCE MAJ. RODNEY BULLARD, AIR FORCE COL. AND CHIEF JUDGE JAMES WISE, AND DUKE LAW PROFESSOR SCOTT SILLIMAN, NOVEMBER 14, 2008 ISSUES IN LAW AND NATIONAL SECURITY FORUM
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Hon. Harry T. Edwards
Senior Circuit Judge, Chief Judge Emeritus, United States Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit, January 28, 2008. Legal Academies and the Law

Susan Klooz
Vice President and General Counsel, Administration and External Relations, Wal-Mart Corporation, September 16, 2008: Making Diversity Sustainable in the Legal Profession

Hon. Kenneth W. Starr
Dean Pepperdine School of Law, former U.S. Solicitor General, former Judge D.C. Court of Appeals, now President of Baylor University, October 22, 2008: The Modern American Lawyer and the Caring Community

Hon. Dennis W. Archer
Former Associate Justice, Michigan State Supreme Court, past President of the American Bar Association, former Mayor, City of Detroit, June 25, 2008: A Conversation with Dennis Archer

Thomas E. Perez
Assistant Attorney General, United States Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division, February 1, 2010. The Merits of Public Service in the Federal Government

Congressman G. K. Butterfield ’74
February 5, 2010. Federal Tax Law Update

Congressman Bob R. Etheridge
February 5, 2010. Federal Tax Law Update

Mark Chandler
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E. Christopher Johnson, Jr.
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Shawn Brooks ’08
Kelly Burgess ’06
Andrew DeSimone ’95
A. Roel Edmonston ’76
Janis Ernst
Marvin Gano
Alice Glee ’84
Woodrena Baker-Harrell ’94
G. Nicholas Herman
Melvin Hines
Keith Howard
Joyce Johnson ’96
Leonard Johnson ’76
Kevin Jones ’93
Chautney Malone ’06
Brenda Martin ’08
Justice Mark Martin
Shauna McClain ’02
Saroya Powell ’00
Elizabeth Raghunathan ’00
Jennifer Sikes
Scott Silliman
Eugene Suve ’95
Mark Tatum
Gerald Walden ’91
Natalie Watson ’93
Devon White ’82
Lia Wilks ’96
James D. Williams Jr. ’79
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Allison Young ’86

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Leonard Jernigan ’76 is one of several practitioners/scholars among the ranks of NCCU School of Law adjunct faculty. He has been in the Workers Compensation field for over thirty years and is Board Certified by the N.C. State Bar. A few years after graduating from the Law School, Jernigan was asked to help file compensation claims for textile workers who had contracted an occupational lung disease, asbestosis. Thereafter, he handled asbestos claims and other claims involving work-related injuries.

He founded The Jernigan Law Firm in 1988 in Raleigh, where he continues to practice. In 1995, Jernigan became one of the founding members of the Workers’ Injury Law and Advocacy Group (WILG), a national organization of attorneys who represent injured workers, and served as WILG’s President in 2001. Jernigan is currently on the Wake County Bar Association’s Board of Directors and the Board of Visitors for the Law School.


Jernigan enjoys a favorable reputation at the Law School and always receives high marks from the students on his evaluations. One recent student reported that Professor Jernigan’s class was the best class he had taken at the Law School.

Charles Hamilton Houston
Lecture Series
The Charles Hamilton Houston Endowed Chair was established for the NCCU Law School in honor of the noted legal scholar, litigator and civil rights advocate. The funding for the Chair has been generously donated by Mr. Frank Anderson and his wife, Ms. Susan Powell, and matched by the University of North Carolina Board of Governors’ Distinguished Professor Trust Fund.

Amos Jones
Visiting Faculty
Visiting Assistant Professor Amos Jones, B.A., cum laude, Emory University, M.S., Columbia University, and J.D., Harvard University, teaches Constitutional Law, Comparative Constitutional Law, and taught a historical survey of Black lawyers in the United States during the Spring 2011 semester. A former Executive Editor of the Harvard Human Rights Law Journal and the Harvard Black Letter Law Journal, Professor Jones was an Associate in International Trade and Commercial Litigation at Bryan Cave LLP for three years. He has lectured as a Fulbright Scholar at the Centre for Comparative Constitutional Studies in the law school at the University of Melbourne (Australia). His research interests and publications include the areas of Civil Rights Theory and Jurisprudence, the First Amendment’s Religion Clauses, Professional Responsibility, and Public International Law. Professor Jones is a member of the District of Columbia Bar Association, the American Bar Association, and the International Bar Association. He is admitted to practice in the District of Columbia and in the U.S. District Court of the District of Maryland.

Joyce Jerambo ’96
New Adjunct Faculty
Joyce Jerambo,’96, who retired from a career as a Professor in the Dental School at UNC and as a Trademark Law practitioner at Moore and Van Allen, is serving as the Supervising Attorney for the NCCU United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) Trademark Clinic. The Clinic is one of less than 20 approved by the USPTO to allow students to prosecute trademark applications on behalf of live clients before the office.

Professor Jernigan’s story continues on the next page.
Cheryl Amana-Burris presented at the Western Regional BLSA Conference in February of 2010 on alternative careers in the law and life in the academy. In March, she spoke on “Know Your Rights” at the Links Annual Conference for Middle School Students. Also in March, Professor Amana-Burris was presented with the first annual Cheryl Amana-Burris Award for Distinctive Service by the Women’s Law Caucus at their annual brunch for faculty and staff. She attended the annual meeting of Black Proseutors held in San Francisco in July, as well as the annual awards dinner for the Charles Houston Bar Association in December. Professor Amana-Burris was recognized this past summer for her support of the Legal Writing Program. In September, she presented at the North Carolina Association of Women Attorneys Annual Conference that was held at the Grandover Resort in Greensboro, NC, as part of a panel on diversity in the profession. She prepared the BABRI materials on Family Law and gave the winter lecture in January 2011. She has been active with the Minorities in the Profession Committee of the North Carolina Bar Association as well as its subcommittee on Law School Admissions. She continues to serve as a member of the Institutional Review Board (IRB) for the University and a member of a standing and ad hoc committees for the Law School. Dear Sisters, Dear Daughters, which was published by Michelle Obama, after being signed by all of the ABA in 2009 and which Professor Amana-Burris continues to serve on the board of the Center for Child Traumatic Stress Network, for which she is assisting in the development of judicial training materials on the admisibility of evidence of child traumatic stress. Brobst provided volunteer judgment or coaching assistance in several events this academic year, including the Fourth Annual Carolina Classic Mock Trial Tournament at Elon University, October 2010; the Tobacco Road Regional Mock Trial Tournament at UNCG Chapel Hill, February 2011; the NBLSA Fredrick Douglas Southern Regional Mock Court Competition, December 2010; and the NCCU Dispute Resolution Institute 40-hour Superior Court Mediation/ADR Clinic, January 2011.

Jenniester Brobst presented at the following Continuing Legal Education seminars “Gender Disparity in Public Service,” panel presentation for the N.C. Bar Association Conference, “Raising to the Challenge – Women in Public Office,” Raleigh, October 2010; “Diversity of Voice, Leadership and Perspective Among Women Legal Professionals,” Plenary Panel Session (with Professor Cheryl Amana-Burris and Finette Couch, Esq., J.N.CWA Annual Conference, Greensboro, September, 2010; and “Dennysis, Psychosocial Assessment,” N.C. Administrative Office of the Courts Court Improvement Program conference for juvenile court judges and staff, April 2010. Professor Brobst has been accepted to present a workshop on “Law and the Imagination in Teaching Scientific Evidence” at the upcoming 2011 Applied Legal Storytelling Conference at Sturm College of Law, University of Denver this summer. She continues to provide annual local continuing education seminars on Expert Witness Testimony and Ethics for Medical and Medical Health practitioners at the Center for Child and Family Health to Center staff and interns and residents from Duke University, UNCG-Capitol Hill, and NCCU. Brobst is currently a member of the N.C. Commission on Mental Health, Developmental Disability, and Substance Abuse, and the N.C. Commission on Domestic Violence. She is also a member of the Justice System Consortium of the National Child Traumatic Stress Network, for which she is assisting in the development of judicial training materials on the admisibility of evidence of child traumatic stress. Brobst provided volunteer judgment or coaching assistance in several events this academic year, including the Fourth Annual Carolina Classic Mock Trial Tournament at Elon University, October 2010; the Tobacco Road Regional Mock Trial Tournament at UNCG Chapel Hill, February 2011; the NBLSA Fredrick Douglas Southern Regional Mock Court Competition, December 2010; and the NCCU Dispute Resolution Institute 40-hour Superior Court Mediation/ADR Clinic, January 2011. Kimberly Cogdell presented a work in progress at the National People of Color Conference at Seton Hall University School of Law on September 12, 2010. She also served as a panelist on Health Care Reform at the same conference. Professor Cogdell presented at the Texas Wesleyan University School of Law Innocence and the Road to Exoneration Symposium on her most recent article – “Misuse of DNA Evidence is not a Harmless Error – Procedural Misconduct, Wrongful Conviction and DNA Evidence.” This article is scheduled to be published by the Texas Wesleyan Law Review. Finally, Professor Cogdell presented at the Southern Region Black Law Students Association Law Journal Symposium. The theme for the symposium was “Southern Dissonance: A Critical Analysis of the Southern Black Community’s Legal Strides and Struggles in the 21st Century.”

Kevin Foy ’94 attended the “New Partners for Smart Growth: Building Safe Healthy Livable Communities Conference” in February 2011; hosted a visit to the law school by the Environmental Protection Agency’s General Counsel, Scott Fulton (Fall 2010); co-organized a workshop for shop, scientists, attorneys, and policymakers, on “Establishing Heezen National Monument in the Atlantic Ocean,” with Professors Orrin H. Pilkey, Duke University, and Robert Y. George, University of North Carolina - Wilmington (Fall 2010); served as a panelist, with Winifred Olorey and Kreg Larrimore from EPA’s Office of General Counsel, on Career Opportunities in Environmental Law (Summer 2010).

Brenda Gibson ’95 was appointed by the Legal Writing Institute's Board of Directors to serve as chair of the Plagiarism Committee during 2010-2012. She also serves on the North Carolina Bar Association Minorities in Professional Committee. Professor Gibson attended the Student Outcomes Conference held at the Charlotte School of Law in Charlotte, NC on May 27, 2010, and subsequently worked with Associate Dean Wendy Scott on the Law School’s Outcomes Assessment Response to the ABA. She also attended the LWT Biennial Conference in San Marco Island, FL during June 2010. On December 3, 2010, Professor Gibson served as a presenter during the LWT One-Day Workshop, Wake Forest University School of Law, speaking on “Effectively Handling Student Outcomes Assessment Response to the ABA.”

David A. Green has returned to the class- room full time where he enjoys teaching Civil Procedure, Employment Discrimination and Disability Law. In the Fall of 2010, he began serving on an ad hoc committee to establish the Durham NAACP Legal Redress Fund. The purpose of the Fund will be to help defray the costs of selected cases or legal battles involving issues related to employment discrimination, police misconduct, school inequality, access to fair housing, and others. Furthermore, during the Fall of 2010, he continued to serve on the Salvation Army Boys and Girls Advisory Board. In October 2010, Professor Green began to participate in the Hillside High School Truancy Court Program. The Truancy Program is designed to participate in the Hillside High School Truancy Court Program. The Truancy Program is designed to
as an intervention effort to assure that Hillsdale High School students are maintaining atten-
ance consistent with North Carolina law. On
November 21, 2010, he served as a judge in the
finals of the Duke University Mock Trial Tobacco
Road Invitation.

**Susan Hauser**’s article, “Cutting the Gordian Knot: The Case for Allowing Modifi-
cation of Home Mortgages in Bankruptcy,” is an
invited submission, was published in the Univer-
sity of Florida Law Review Vol. 74:10 (Fall 2010).

**Irving Joyner** researched and completed the 2010 Supplement to the third edition of Crime-
sional Procedure in North Carolina, published by the
LexisNexis Publishing Company. In addition, he researched and authored monthly articles for the Spectator
Magazine, a Durham publica-
ton on politics and law, as well as nine appellate
briefs and related documents on behalf of indi-
gent defendants with the North Carolina Court of
Appeals and North Carolina Supreme Court. Professor Joyner is a member of a litigation team which represents Wake Country plaintiffs,
NAACP and other community organizations in a
Title VI Administrative complaint against actions
by the Wake County School Board to re-segre-
gate its school system and in an open meeting
challenge which is presently being considered by
the North Carolina Court of Appeals. Professor Joyner served on numerous panels, including the
Parliamentary Procedure Workshop conducted by the
NCUCU chapter of Phi Beta Lambda Frater-
nity; the George Washington Truth and Reconciliation
Commission, which focused on the 1979 Nazi-
Klan massacre of political activists in Greens-
boro; the NCUCU Law School’s Native American
Recruitment Day Program; and NCUCU’s Politi-
cal Science Department Pre-Law Seminar. He
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Charles Smith was a visiting professor at the Law School. In June 2010, Dean Scott attended the AALS Mid-year Conference on Civil Rights. In September, Dean Scott was invited to speak on a panel at the White House Initiative on HBCUs, held in Washington, D.C., about the successful use of Title III funds by the Law School.

Kia Vernon ’00 attended the AALS Annual Meeting in San Francisco, CA, January 2011. She was a panelist for a "Minorities in Law" program at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in October 2010. She co-authored a book, Investing in Your Success: A Practical Guide to Achieving Your Best Results in Your First Year of Law School (with Krishnee G. Coley), which was used as the course text for North Carolina Central University School of Law’s Critical Thinking class for all first-year law students. Additionally, Professor Vernon volunteered at J.Y. Joyner Elementary, Raleigh, NC in 2010 and was a speaker at the J.Y. Joyner Cancer Day.

Katie Wallace ’99 conducted a three-week workshop for the Baldwin Scholar program at Duke University on “Women, Leadership and Negotiation” (Spring 2010). At NCCU School of Law, she was a panelist at the Women’s Law Caucus and at Girl Talk (Spring 2010). She presented on the topic of “Filming Justice and Documenting Social Issues in NC” at a Wildares Leadership Initiative Conference in Little Switzerland, NC (Spring 2010). She also spoke on the topic of “Women and Negotiation” at the Money, Sex and Power Conference at Duke University and on “Mentors and Heroes” at the Women at Duke Conference (Fall 2010). Professor Wallace presented a “Conflict Resolution” workshop to the Seventh grade at Durham Academy (Fall 2010). She also conducted a seminar for international masters Degree students on “Conflict Resolution” that currently burdens college football. This latter issue has recently gained an extensive amount of coverage after Nick Saban, the current head coach of the University of Alabama, while speaking at the Southeastern Conference Football Media Days, compared unscrupulous sports agents to “pimps,” after one of his star players, defensive end Manti Te’o, came under investigation for attending an agent-sponsored party, in violation of NCAA rules and regulations, this summer in Miami, Florida. Professor Clark joined the NCCU Law Faculty in 2007 and teaches Business Associations, Contracts I and II, Employment Discrimination.
On Thursday, September 16, 2010, the School of Law held a Gala Retirement Dinner in honor of Professors Thomas M. Ringer, Walter H. Nunnallee and Monica K. Kalo, and Mrs. Iris W. Gilchrist at the prestigious Brier Creek Country Club in Raleigh, NC. The event celebrated the honorees’ long and distinguished careers with North Carolina Central University School of Law. The ballroom at the country club was filled to capacity with alumni, family, and friends of the honorees’ who, over dinner, listened to video tributes from selected individuals (chosen by the honorees) as they shared stories and remembrances of those being honored. Music by the NCCU Jazz Combo and Fred Mills added to the celebratory mood of the evening.

Left to Right: Professor Thomas Ringer, Professor Monica Kalo, Professor Walter Nunnallee, and Mrs. Iris Gilchrist

On Wednesday, October 27, 2010, the Dean hosted the annual reception for the Law School’s recent graduates at the North Carolina Bar Center to congratulate them on their success in passing the Bar. This gathering of faculty, administrators, graduates, and students gives everyone a chance to reconnect and celebrate the graduates’ new status as practicing attorneys. The Bar Center’s main hall was bustling with news. NCCU Law’s graduates have found employment in a spectrum of practice areas and geographic locations ranging from Durham to the U.S. Virgin Islands. The reception allowed our Legal Eagles a chance to mingle in a professional environment and celebrate overcoming that last hurdle before beginning what we all hope is a rewarding career.

The Dean reminded the assembled crowd that our school has a strong tradition of alumni service and we hope that these newly admitted eagles remember that they are one half of the equation for the success of the Law School. In order to facilitate the continued participation in the Law School Community, the school has created the “Eagles Nest,” a comprehensive, interactive intranet site with information and user-generated content such as forums and Twitter feeds. The “Eagles Nest” is located at http://web.nccu.edu/law/nest/Alumni.html. Keep in touch!
The academic year was capped by our commencement ceremony where 177 juris doctorates were awarded, and those assembled were addressed by the Honorable L. Douglas Wilder, former Governor of Virginia. Wilder’s career in public service spans 40 years and is noted for several historic milestones.
CIVIL RIGHTS DOCUMENTS DONATED TO NCCU

Jack Greenberg, currently a Professor of Law at Columbia Law School, has donated a significant amount of civil rights materials he accumulated throughout his professional career to the NCCU School of Law. The collection of 280 briefs is the most valuable part of the gift. It provides a snapshot of the work of racial equality advocates, and particularly the NAACP Legal Defense Fund, which forever transformed race relations in the United States. Included are documents from landmark cases, such as Brown v. Board of Education (1954), which Greenberg helped argue before the U.S. Supreme Court, as well as lesser cases that never resulted in a decision.

At Columbia College, Greenberg served as Dean and Professor of Law from 1989 to 1993, Vice Dean and Professor of Law from 1984 to 1989, and Adjunct Professor of Law from 1970 to 1984. As Assistant Counsel at the NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund, Greenberg assisted Thurgood Marshall in leading education and demonstration cases and succeeded Marshall as Director-Counsel. He authored a New York City ordinance prohibiting discrimination against women and minorities in private clubs. Greenberg also founded the Mexican-American Legal Defense and Education Fund. He consulted in South Africa on the creation of the Legal Resources Centre (the leading civil rights legal organization there). He has participated in numerous overseas human rights missions and lectured in Europe and several African nations. Greenberg is a prolific writer, authoring books on civil rights and many articles on affirmative action in higher education. More recently, he has focused his attention on the discrimination faced in Europe by the Roma, which Greenberg has called “one of the gravest humanitarian and economic crises of our time.”

LAW SCHOOL HOSTS ANNUAL D.C. LUNCHEON

On November 12, 2010, the NCCU School of Law hosted the annual D.C. Luncheon at the Capital Grille in Washington, D.C. This annual event brings together members of the judiciary from Virginia, Washington D.C., Maryland, and New York and members of the U.S. Congress to promote internship opportunities for students at NCCU School of Law. Also in attendance at this year’s luncheon were Congressional staffers, representatives from the law firms of Womble Carlyle Sandridge & Rice PLLC and Goddill, Dennet, Lezh & Dam PLLC, and representatives from Wells Fargo Securities. The D.C. Luncheon is in its seventh year and also serves to thank members of Congress, judges and agency executives for their support in providing summer internships and employment opportunities for NCCU School of Law students.

LETTER FROM THE ALUMNI PRESIDENT

It is my honor as president of the NCCU School of Law Alumni Association to, once again, bring you greetings on behalf of the Association’s Board of Directors.

This past year, serving as your president, has been filled with great activities and pleasurable associations. At the 2011 graduation ceremony, I had the opportunity to meet, greet, and dine with numerous Law School students. At this fall event, the Board witnessed the “unveiling” of the Eagles Nest intranet site and blog. This is a site designed to help existing law students and alumni to connect. The address for the site is http://web.nccu.edu/law/nest/Alumni.html.

Most significantly, over the past year, I have been impressed with the efforts of the Development Office to reach out to alumni and to make giving to the Law School a convenient, consistently-present, but not overly-intrusive, endeavor. The ongoing mission of my tenure is to help increase the percentage of our alumni who contribute financially to the Law School and to expand the level of commitment for those who have contributed in the past. Please review the 2010 Honor Roll of Donors, located at http://www.nccu.edu/formsdoc/proxy.cfm?file_id=1178. If your name is not there, it should be! If you are a regular donor, and if your circumstances permit in these difficult times, consider increasing your normal level of donation by 25 percent, 50 percent, or more. If you have never contributed or have not done so lately, begin today. No amount is too small.

Finally, please do not hesitate to contact me at sheilachavis@hotmail.com with questions or recommendations you have regarding the Law School or the Alumni Board, or if you have an interest in working with the Board.

With warmest regards,
Sheila W. Chavis ’00
Alumni Association President

RALEIGH ALUMNI RECEPTION

On April 13, 2010, the Raleigh alumni held their annual reception at the stately North Carolina Governor’s Mansion in downtown Raleigh. More than 25 area alumni attended this exciting event.

With appreciation,
Sheila Chavis ’00
Alumni Association President
Guy Crabtree ’78, has been named President-Elect of the North Carolina Advocates for Justice.

Dorothy Bernholz ’75, Director of Student Legal Services at North Carolina University at Chapel Hill, received the Order of the Long Leaf Pine for her distinguished legal service to the State of North Carolina. Representative Joe Hackney, Speaker of the N.C. House of Representatives, presented the prestigious award on behalf of Governor Bev Perdue at a meeting of Orange County’s Bar Association.

Karen Fraser Alston ’94 Accepts Position in Saudi Arabia

Karen Fraser Alston ’94 has been named the Associate Director of Business Operations for the Global Collaborative Research (GCR) Division of the King Abdullah University of Science and Technology (KAUST). She is located on the Red Sea, opened its doors in September 2009 as an independent and merit-based international, graduate-level research university, supported by a multi-billion dollar endowment. KAUST focuses its research in disciplines such as energy and the environment, water desalination, industrial biotechnology, engineering, nanotechnology, and mathematics and computational scientific computing. KAUST is housed in world-class facilities serving the most well-known researchers and scholars from around the world.

Ms. Alston will remain in the U.S. where she is completing her medical degree studies at Hampton University. Her daughter, Olivia (Hampton University ’09), will remain in the U.S. where she is completing her medical degree studies at the Brody School of Medicine at East Carolina University.


Craig Croom ’94, a Wake County District Court Judge for more than a decade, has been appointed by North Carolina Governor Bev Perdue to be a Special Superior Court Judge.

“Judge Croom was a distinguished prosecutor and has been a valuable member of the judiciary,” Perdue said in a prepared statement. “He will be a great addition to the superior court.”

Croom, a graduate of UNC-Chapel Hill and NCCU School of Law, has been a Wake County District Court Judge since 1999. He also has worked as an Assistant District Attorney for Wake County, been a clerk for Judge Jack Conant on the North Carolina Court of Appeals, served as a deputy sheriff for the Wake County Sheriff’s Department and been a paramedic in Orange County.

Thomas H. Hodges, Jr. ’82, has been named as the new Employment Security Commissioner Chief Counsel. Hodges succeeds Thomas S. Whitaker who retired effective June 30.

Craig Hemmings ’88

SPRING 11
National Crime Victims' Rights Week marked October 17-23, 2010, as its first annual observance. Ceremonies in Pristina, Gjilan, and Gjakova, attended by approximately 450 representatives, culminated in three Candlelight Observance Ceremonies, an idea for a Kosovo National Crime Victims’ Rights Week and Candlelight Observance Ceremony formed in April 2010, when OPDAT sent 14 Kosovo prosecutors, police officers, victim advocates and service providers to Raleigh, NC and Washington, DC, where they received training on a wide variety of issues related to victims’ rights and attended the U.S. Department of Justice National Crime Victims’ Rights Week and Candlelight Observance Ceremony. At the end of the training, the participants decided to create a National Crime Victims’ Rights Ceremony in Kosovo to highlight the plight of victims. The idea for a Kosovo National Crime Victims’ Rights Week and Candlelight Observance Ceremony was formed in April 2010, when OPDAT sent 23 Kosovo prosecutors, police officers, victim advocates and service providers to Raleigh, NC and Washington, DC, where they received training on a wide variety of issues related to victims’ rights and attended the U.S. Department of Justice National Crime Victims’ Rights Week and Candlelight Observance Ceremony. At the end of the training, the participants decided to create a National Crime Victims’ Rights Ceremony in Kosovo to highlight the plight of victims.

The Government of Kosovo and the Office of State Prosecution, with the support of the U.S. Embassy and OPDAT Resident Legal Advisor (RLA) to Kosovo Kimberly Moore ’94, has been named staff attorney in the LANC Office in Fayetteville.

Brenda Branch ’01, Chief District Court Judge, District 6A (Halifax County), was awarded the Citizen Lawyer Award at the North Carolina Bar Association Annual Meeting in Wilmington, NC on June 25, 2010.

D. Toni Pinkston ’04, has been appointed to the position of Managing Attorney in the Legal Aid of North Carolina (LANC) Office in Fayetteville, NC.

Rikesia Williams ’04, was named staff attorney in the LANC Office in Fayetteville.

William S. Eubank II ’07, an attorney with the public interest environmental law firm Meyer Glizenstein & Crystal recently filed suit on behalf of several organizations to stop the indiscriminate killing of endangered and threatened sea turtles as part of the Deepwater Horizon oil spill response in the Gulf of Mexico. As a result of the lawsuit and a request for emergency injunctive relief from a federal court in New Orleans, Eubanks and his clients pressured BP and the Coast Guard into a favorable settlement requiring the creation of a mandatory sea turtle observer program and the adoption and implementation of sea turtle search, rescue, and rehabilitation protocols to minimize the risk of harm to federally protected sea turtles as part of in-situ burn operation. The case was covered by various media outlets including the New York Times, Washington Post, NPR, CNN, and CBS.

In addition to his litigation accomplishments, Eubanks also recently published the cover article for the Environmental Law Institute’s summer reading issue of The Environmental Forum, titled “Paying the Farm Bill: How One State Has Radically Degraded the Natural Environment and How a New Focus Emphasizes on Sustainability is the Key to Reviving the Ecosystem.”

Crystal G. Rouse ’07, joined the Law Offices of James Scott Farrin as an Associate Attorney.

Lori Warlick ’07, joined the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) in September of 2007, as a law clerk at the Miami Immigration Court. She later joined DOJ’s Office of Immigration Litigation in Washington, D.C. as an appellate practitioner. She has filed briefs in the Second, Fifth, Sixth, Eighth, Ninth, Tenth, and Eleventh Circuit Courts of Appeal and has appeared for oral argument before the Second and Eleventh Circuits. Lori is currently on a one-year detail to the Guantánamo Bay Detention Facility Unit, a part of DOJ’s Federal Programs Branch, appearing before the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia. She was admitted to the U.S. Supreme Court Bar on November 10, 2010.

Douglas E. Neuman ’08, is a partner with the firm of Daggett, Shuler, Knotts, Neuman & Bell, PLLC in Winston-Salem, NC, where he practices personal injury and insurance law.

Tina Herbert ’00, was elected President of the South Carolina Bar’s Young Lawyers Division in 2010.

Ryan Oxendine ’00, recently joined Herring Mills & Kram, PLLC in Raleigh, NC. Mr. Oxendine will concentrate his practice in the areas of Commercial Real Estate and Business/Corporate Law.

An Update from Kimberly Moore ’94 in Kosovo

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Brian Beverly ’95, an attorney at the law firm of Young Moore and Henderson, was selected for inclusion in the North Carolina Super Lawyers for 2011.
**ALUMNI NEWS**

**Law School Alumna Honored at State Bar Lawyers Luncheon**

On Thursday, October 28, 2010, Stephanie D’Artri’ was honored at the State Bar Fifty Year Lawyers Luncheon for her work in the Guardian ad Litem program while she was a third year law student last year at NCCU School of Law. The announcement read at the luncheon was as follows: “Stephanie D’Artri’s passion for the Guardian ad Litem program is known to everyone who knows her. She has been a volunteer Guardian herself for over five years; she drives to Charlotte once a month to visit one of her children, a severely abused little boy who was transferred to a group home there, so that he will have continuity with an adult in his life. She has also been a skilled and successful recruiter for the Guardian ad Litem program during all her time at NCCU School of Law, organizing events and bringing in speakers to promote volunteering, personally recruiting their classmates, and organizing a support group for students currently serving as volunteer Guardians.” This past year Stephanie was instrumental in establishing the Driver’s License Restoration Project, a new program project initiated by NCCU School of Law alumna and Orange County Assistant District Attorney Jeff Nieman ’06. As if this wasn’t enough she founded a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, Assisting Children Through Teachers, Inc. (Project ACTT), whose purpose is to reimburse teachers for out-of-pocket classroom expenses that benefit students receiving a public education in North Carolina. More information about the Project ACTT is available on their website at http://www.projectactt.org/home.

**Amanda G. Presson ’09,** has been promoted to Captain in the United States Army JAG Corps. Presson is stationed at Fort Seward, GA working as a Legal Assistance Attorney.

**Samantha J. Younker ’09,** recently joined the Janvier Law Firm PLLC in Raleigh, NC. Ms. Younker is practicing in bankruptcy law.

**Eric C. “Clifton” Williams ’09,** is the University Records Officer in the Office of the General Counsel at North Carolina State University. His primary responsibility is coordinating NCSU’s public records program. He also coordinates NCSU’s response to subpoenas, search warrants, and court orders. In addition, Williams acts as primary advisor to the university on FERPA (student records privacy law) and HIPAA (health records privacy law) in the university setting.

**Quintin M. McGee ’10,** has joined the Lewis E. Waddell, Jr. Law Office in Newton, NC as an Associate Attorney. McGee earned a B.A. in Economics with a second major in Management from UNC-Chapel Hill in 2007. A native of Statesville, NC, McGee resides in Iredell Country.

**Donna Blyskol ’10,** recently joined the firm of Herrell Mills & Kram, PLLC in Raleigh, NC. Ms. Blyskol is practicing family law.

**Precious Green ’10,** was recently named Staff Attorney in the Office of Legal Aid of North Carolina (LANC) in Fayetteville, NC.

**IN MEMORIAM**

**Charles B. Markham**
NCCU Professor of Law ’76 - ’83
March 22, 2010

**James L. Griffin ’92**
March 28, 2010

**Timothy C. Cole ’99**
December 23, 2010

**LEGAL EAGLES SOAR THROUGH GIVING BACK**

Calling All Alumni to Make a Financial Contribution in Support of the NCCU School of Law

Now more than ever your financial contribution to the School of Law is essential to our remaining a Leader in Legal Education. Your support directly impacts the availability of scholarships, student events, emergency loans, faculty recruitment, special projects, and many essential operating needs for which state funds are not available.

Our Alumni Participation Rate (APR) goal this year is 20 percent. To reach this goal we need 595 alums to contribute by June 30, 2011. To date, we have received 252 alumni contributions. Last year, we reached a record 17 percent and we can make this year’s goal with your participation.

Why Participate?

The Alumni Participation Rate (APR) is widely used to measure the value alumni place on their education and the financial health of the institution. Employers, prospective students and grant-making foundations look to alumni giving rates as evidence of student satisfaction and an indication of the prestige of a college or university.

Every gift—regardless of size—shows support for the great education the NCCU School of Law provides!

Show your Legal Eagle pride by making a contribution today online at http://web.nccu.edu/law, by mailing your contribution to NCCU School of Law Development Office 640 Nelson Street Durham NC 27707, or by calling Sharon Alston at 919-530-5386. Thanks in advance for helping to reach the NCCU School of Law Alumni Participation Rate Goal.

Alumnus Bequest $30,000 to NCCU School of Law

Donald L. Murphy ’76 made a provision in his estate planning to leave a generous gift of $30,000 to the School of Law’s general fund. The gift was received on November 20, 2010. In keeping with his wife Sybill’s wishes, the date the gift was received coincided with the one-year anniversary of his passing. Murphy, a double eagle, graduated from NCCU with a degree in Sociology in 1973 and juris doctor degree from the Law School in 1976. Student support programs that will benefit from this gift include the Bar Stipend Program, Wellness Emergency Loans, and the Annual Professional Dinner.

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The Frouin Group, Inc.
Wall-Mart Foundation

$9,999-$5,000
Anonymous
Cheung, Clemmons & Peacock, PA
Marian Gamier
Craig Kirkbride
Lawyers Mutual Liability Insurance
Mark Truran

$4,999-$2,500
Attis Adams ’96
Ronald Douglas & Wanda Bryant ’82
Leroy Johnson ’57
NC Institute of Minority Economic Development
Parter Pe Adams & Barnett, LLP
Perry Parfor ’93
Samuel Pepkin ’77

$2,499-$1,000
Cheryl Amuna
Cluck Bell ’83
Danielle Bennett ’99
John Carter ’79
Evreto Chandler ’77
Helen Chavious
Sammie Chau ’88
Kathleen DeAngelo ’84
Donna Douglas ’84
William Duday ’76
Ria Elloston
Mollie Featherston
Ralph Frazier Jr. ’94
Ralph Frazier Sr. ’65
John Godard
Kenneth Gibbs ’94
Cy & Rosiland Grant ’81 & ’82
Greater Durham Chamber of Commerce
David Green
John Harmon ’65
Roland Haynes ’71

Wilson Hyman ’92
Dorothy James
Leonard Jermain ’76
Gayle Jopp ’86
Dara Kendall ’97
Eleanor Kiinnard ’92
Arnold Laskid ’73
Susan March ’84
John Martin ’75
Michael McCane ’76
McGuire Woods LLP
Angela Michel ’81
Nelynn Mipau ’80
Gordon Myers
Jane Pavey ’98
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