Extra, Extra!!!

Attention Alums!
Reconnect with your class in 2009!

2009 will mark the Law School’s 70th anniversary. To help celebrate this significant milestone, the Law School has planned numerous events and festivities to honor both the Law School and alums. The kick-off event will start with a 70th Anniversary Scholarship Reception Dinner in the Great Hall in March. Then, in September, there will be one great big weekend of festive activities including:

- Alumni Awards Gala Celebration
- Golf Tournament
- *Class Reunions by decade
- Tour of the Law School
- Reunite with professors

We need Class agent volunteers to help make the reunions a complete and total success. Those alums interested in participating in the reunion planning, please contact Delores James at 919-530-7450 or email djames@nccu.edu.
So far 98 alums have contributed toward our goal of 650 alums. We are on our way to reaching our goal of 20% alumni giving participation and our $250,000 alumni dollar goal. Remember, the Alumni Legal Eagle Lead Team members listed below have issued the following challenge. The members have pledged to contribute collectively $20,000 this fiscal year to help us reach our monetary goal of $250,000 in alumni contributions, in celebration of the School of Law’s upcoming 70th Anniversary in 2009. Your contribution of $25, $100, $1000, or whatever amount is right for you, will help us reach our goal of 20% alumni participation (650 contributions), and raise the $230,000 required for this generous match from the following alums:

**Legal Eagle Alumni Lead Team**

Clark R. Bell ’83  
Danielle T. Bennett ’99  
Norman Butler ’78  
Henry C. Campen ’86  
Harold W. Cogdell ’96  
Ralph K. Frasier, Jr. ’94  
Kenneth D. Gibbs ’94  
Roland H. Hayes ’71  
Deborah M. Jefferies ’76  
Leroy R. Johnson ‘57  
Arnold Locklear ‘73  
Michael McCrann ’76  
Nelwyn J. Mpare ‘80  
Herbert L. Richardson ’76  
Maurice R. Smith ‘05  
Kia H. Vernon ‘00  
Tonnie Villines ‘88  
Mark H. Webbink ‘94

Please remember your donations help to provide much needed scholarships, funding for student and faculty events and other critical needs of the Law School. Click [here](#) to make your tax deductible donation. Thank You!

**Let’s pull together and go for the Goal!**
Maceo K. Sloan ‘79 has been elected Chairman of the College Retirement Equities Fund (CREF) Board of Trustees. CREF is an investment company within the TIAA-CREF group of companies. Click [here](#) for more information

Rickey N. McCurry ’84 has been appointed to the National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges. Click [here](#) for more information

Carolyn Denise Sims ’84 served as an Adjunct Business Law Instructor in the NCCU School of Business for the 2008 Fall Semester.

Lauriette West-Hoff ’87, upon the recommendation of Joe Hackney, Speaker of the NC House of Representatives was appointed by Governor Michael F. Easley to the NC Appraisal Board. Attorney West-Hoff is the first minority in North Carolina history to be appointed to this Board and the second female to ever serve.

Charles K. Blackmon ’88 has joined the law firm of Tuggle Duggins & Meschan, PA in Greensboro, North Carolina.

Craig Hemmens ’88 was recently appointed Director of the Honors College at Boise State University. Professor Hemmens has taught in Boise State Criminal Justice Department since 1996.

Angela C. Foster ’94 has been elected as a District Court Judge for Guilford County.

Vershenia Moody ’95 has joined Webb, Webb & Summey Professional Association law firm in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Avery Lowery-Crump ’97 was elected District Court Judge for the 18th Judicial District in November 2008. She served as a prosecutor for more than 11 years in New York and North Carolina.

Steven W. Fowler ’99 has been appointed County Attorney for Columbus County, North Carolina.
Barry Shuster ’99, editor of Restaurant Startup & Growth and SYSCO Restaurant Growth magazines, recently earned the Certified Hospitality Educator (CHE) designation from the American Hotel & Lodging Association’s Educational Institute. In addition to his publishing role, Barry is an adjunct faculty member in the hospitality management programs at both North Carolina Central University and East Carolina University, where he teaches business law and ethics.

Joshua Malcolm ’04 has been named University Attorney and Chief of Staff at the University of North Carolina at Pembroke. He was the University’s assistant counsel. A 1992 UNCP graduate, Malcolm came to UNCP this spring from Fayetteville State University where he was assistant counsel for three and one-half years. He also served as an instructor in the Master of Public Administration program at UNCP. While attending N.C. Central University School of Law, Malcolm was the first person to receive the Julian Pierce Scholarship, named for the late Robeson County civil rights leader.


Jesse H. McCoy II ’08 has opened The Law Office of J. Hamilton McCoy II in Raleigh, North Carolina.

Jason Vaughn ’08 has opened a law office in Wilmington, North Carolina. He practices in the areas of Real Estate Transactions, Collections, Family Law, Criminal Law and Civil Litigation.

Personal Announcements:

North Carolina State Senator, Ellie Kinnaird ‘92 is engaged to Daniel Pollitt, a retired University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill law professor and long time civil rights advocate. Click here for more on this story.
School Events

Military Court holds Hearing at the Law School
United States Air Force Court of Criminal Appeals was held at the School of Law on Thursday, November 13, 2008 in the Moot Court. This event was sponsored by Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP. Please click here for more on the story.

Lumberton: Last Alumni Reception for 2009
Alumni Lumberton Luncheon was held on Thursday December 11, 2008 at 1:00 PM at Adelio’s Restaurant 3608 Kahn Drive Lumberton, North Carolina 28358. Special thanks to the Lumberton Host Committee: Attorney Arnold Locklear ’73, Judge Herbert L. Richardson ’76, and Judge John B. Carter ’79.

Upcoming Events:

January 2009
A dedication ceremony for Library Faculty Research Room in Honor of Judge Ernest B. Fullwood ’72 will be held on Friday January 16, 2008 in the School of Law Library at 2:00 p.m. This event is made possible by the generous support of Samuel Stuart Popkin ’77.

February 2009
Richmond, Virginia Alumni Reception will be held on Thursday, February 2. For more information please contact Sharon Alston at (919) 530-5386 or sdalston@nccu.edu

A Tax CLE class will be held at the Law School on February 6. For more information please contact Staris Best at (919) 530-7163 or sbest@nccu.edu

Public Interest Law Organization (PILO) will hold a career fair on February 11. For more information please contact Staris Best at (919) 530-7163 or sbest@nccu.edu

Durham Criminal Defense Bar will present Daryl Hunt in the Great Hall Jason Dudley contact February 5 for more on Mr. Hunt’s story click here
For more information please contact Jason Dudley at Jason.dudley@mckenzielaw.net

The Law School is hosting a National Mediation Conference starting Friday February 27 through Sunday March 1. For more information please contact Arminta Foushee at (919) 530-6505 or afoushee@nccu.edu
Upcoming Events:

**February 2009 continued**

Class 2009 Barrister Ball at the Millennium hotel in Durham North Carolina on Saturday, February 21. For tickets and more information please contact: Staris Best at (919) 530-7163 or sbest@nccu.edu

**March 2009**

The National Client Counseling Competition will be held on Friday, March 13 to Sunday March 15. For more information please contact: Staris Best at (919) 530-7163 or sbest@nccu.edu

North Carolina Court of Appeals will be held on Friday, March 27 at 10:00 a.m. For more information please contact: Staris Best at (919) 530-7163 or sbest@nccu.edu

The Law School will be host a Civil Rights Symposium on Friday, March 27. For more information please contact: Staris Best at (919) 530-7163 or sbest@nccu.edu

**April 2009**

The Law Week Banquet is scheduled for Saturday April 4 at Hilton Hotel in Durham. For more information please contact: Staris Best at (919) 530-7163 or sbest@nccu.edu

The Raleigh Alumni Reception is scheduled for Thursday, April 9. Details to follow in the next eNewsletter.

The New Bern Alumni Reception is scheduled for Friday April 10. Details to follow in the next eNewsletter.

For further information regarding these and other alumni events, please contact Sharon Alston (919) 530-5386 or sdalston@nccu.edu

Sharon Alston
NCCU School of Law will hold a Moot Court Competition on April 14, 2009, with Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court John G. Roberts, Jr. judging the competition.

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