



LEGAL EAGLE ALUMNI NEWSLETTER

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Dear Fellow Alums,

As President of the Alumni Association Board, I want to thank every one of you who has made a financial contribution to our beloved School of Law this fiscal year. You responded to our need to increase our Alumni Giving Participation Rate (APR). We have now reached an all time high of 11.8%, 357 alumni contributions on the way to our goal of 14% and 436 contributions by June 30, 2008.

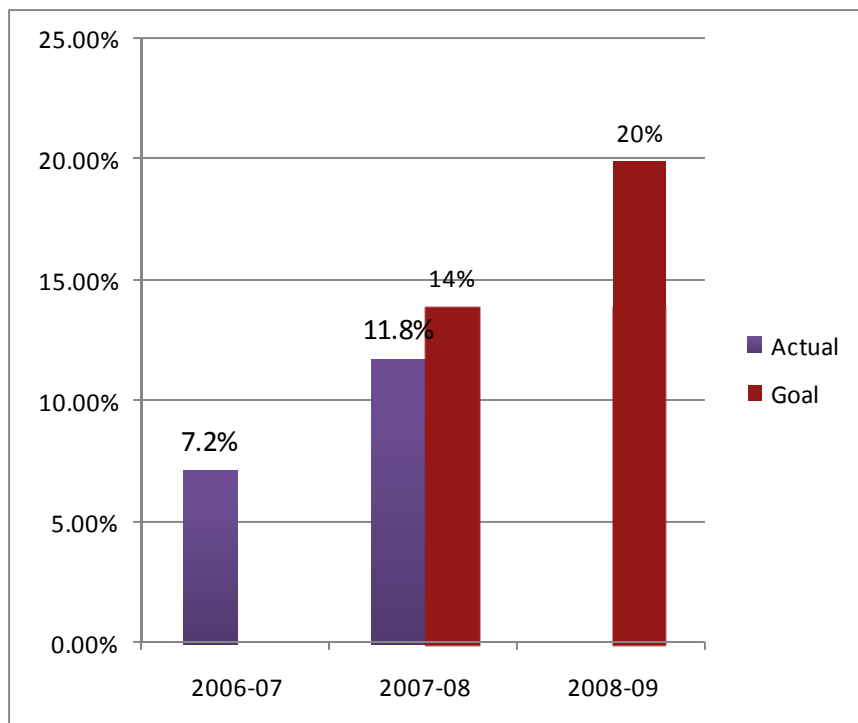
If you have not contributed, we still need your support. We are just 82 contributions away from reaching the 14% goal.

A great reason to go online and contribute right now is to help us meet the Mark Webbink '94 Challenge. Mark will match the final 82 contributions with a \$25 contribution for a maximum additional contribution to the School of Law of \$3150.00, when and only when we reach the goal.

Your contribution is so important. It will help to further the mission of our great school, to "*stimulate intellectual inquiry of the highest order, and to foster in each student a deep sense of professional responsibility and personal integrity so as to produce competent and socially responsible members of the legal profession.*" I look forward to reporting that we made the goal in the next edition of our newsletter. To contribute online, simply go to: <https://webapps.nccu.edu/departments/donations/law.cfm>

Sincerely Yours,
Tonya Ford '00
Alumni Association President

ALUMNI GIVING AT 11.8 % 2008 HELP US MAKE OUR 2008 14% GOAL!



SAVE THE DATE!

LEGAL EAGLE LAW CAMP



NCCU Law School will host its annual weeklong Legal Eagle Law Camp for middle and high school students June 23-27, 2008 in the Turner Law Building on the NCCU campus.

The Camp is designed to expose rising 7th to 12th grade students to the field of law. Participants get an inside look at the legal system and the courts, visit the Durham courthouse, learn about legal research using the NCCU law library, take part in a mock trial and find out what it's like to prepare for law school. Interactive sessions with current NCCU law students and professors and presentations by local attorneys and judges are a feature of the camp. The camp will run 9:00 am-4:00 pm daily. Registration is \$110 per child and scholarships are available. The camp is limited to the first 32 participants to register. Click [here](#) to download a brochure and registration form. Please call to verify seating availability (919) 560-3816 or (919) 530-7868.

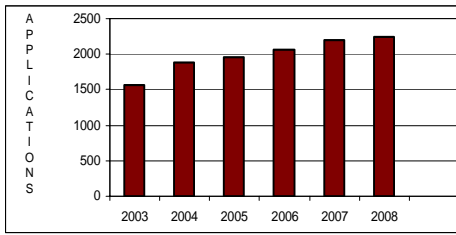
CSI Central Summer Law and Science Camp

This is a one week summer program designed to expose students in grades 4 – 6 to scientific evidence and how it is used in law. Participants will have the opportunity to learn about various aspects of scientific evidence through hands-on practical exercises. The cost of this program is \$200 which includes lunch each day. There is a maximum of 20 participants. There is a non-refundable deposit of \$50 due by July 1st to secure a space in the program, which will be credited toward the program fee. Monday, July 28th – Friday, August 1st 2008 9am– to 4pm click [here](#) for more details.

North Carolina Central University
School of Law
SCHOOL NEWS

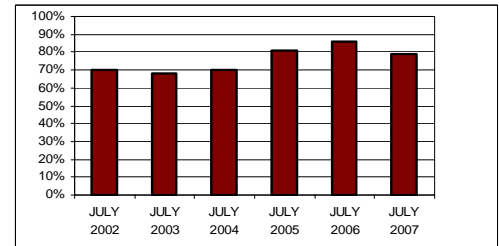
As the School of Law approaches its eighth decade, alums can be proud of the great accomplishments of this Law Academy. Two key parameters that capture the essential qualities of the School of Law are reflected by one, growth in application rates and two, the impressive bar passage rate. These success indicators in addition to the numerous publications extolling the level of excellence the School of Law offers its student body, reflects the traditional values expressed by former Dean LeMarquis DeJarmon, who said, "We must let our minds be bold and propose legal principles that will enhance...individual freedom, integrity, and human worth."

NCCU SCHOOL OF LAW APPLICATIONS BY YEAR



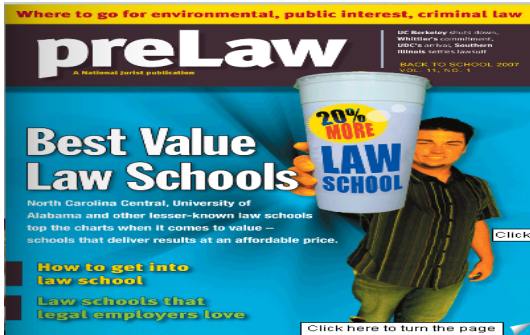
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NCCU SCHOOL OF LAW BAR PASSAGE RATE FEBRUARY 2008 - 90%



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PRELAW MAGAZINE RANKED NCCU SCHOOL OF LAW NUMBER ONE !
 Fall 2007



preLaw's best value schools

| Rank | School | Cost | Value |
|------|--|---------|-------|
| 1 | North Carolina Central University | \$1,100 | 95% |
| 2 | University of North Carolina at Charlotte | \$1,200 | 90% |
| 3 | University of North Carolina at Greensboro | \$1,300 | 85% |
| 4 | University of North Carolina at Raleigh | \$1,400 | 80% |
| 5 | University of North Carolina at Wilmington | \$1,500 | 75% |

NCCU SCHOOL OF LAW Ranked Number 1

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NCCU SCHOOL OF LAW LISTED IN THE PRINCETON REVIEW 2008 EDITION



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THE NATIONAL JURIST MARCH 2008

Where public interest lawyers go to law school

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RALEIGH ALUMNI RECEPTION APRIL 23, 2008



Angel Berry '00

Dean Pierce

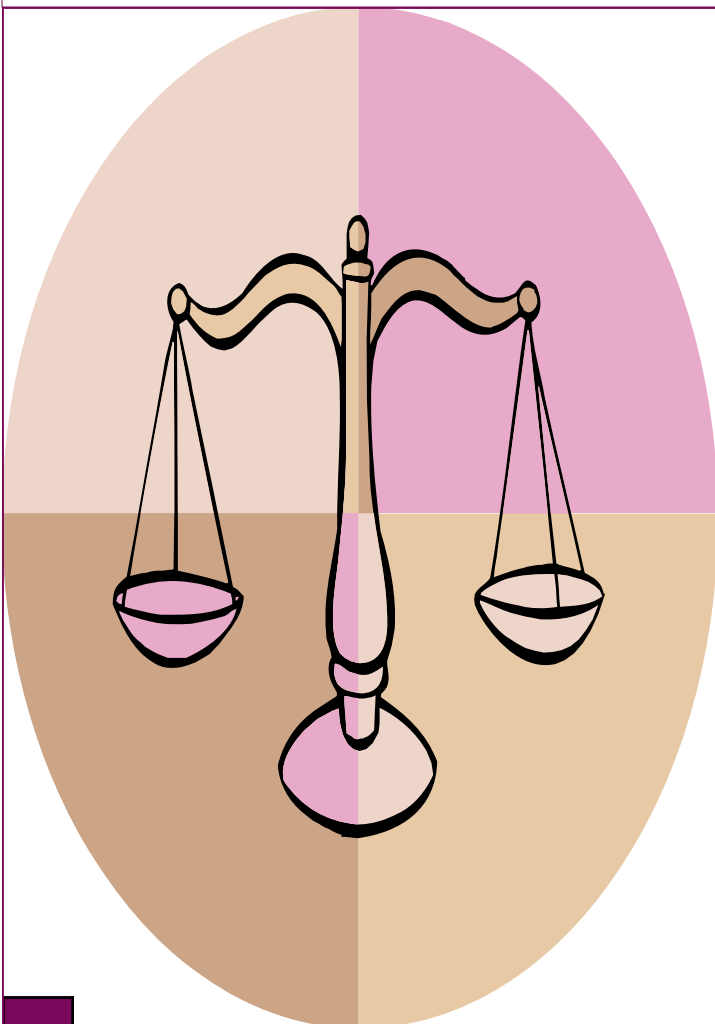
Tonya Mitchell-Allen '00

The tony Cardinal Club, with its awe inspiring view of downtown Raleigh, was the scene of the annual NCCU School of Law Raleigh Alumni Reception.

Alumni mixed and mingled while enjoying hors d'oeuvres and delicious desserts. Dean Raymond C. Pierce spoke during the reception focusing on the accomplishments of the Law School and challenges ahead.

for more pictures of the event click [here](#)

Special thanks go to Leonard Jernigan, Jr. '76 for his sponsorship and tireless efforts to ensure the overall success of the event and a special thank you to the host committee; Pearla Aston '04, Victor Boone '75, Theasues Clayton '58, William Dudley, Sr. '76, Root Edmonson '76, Stephen Gheen '84, Richard "Gus" Gusler '84, Robert Henley '76, Michelle Mark '04, Joseph Mitchiner '76, Toni Pinkston '04, Ruffin Poole '98, Allen Wellons '75.





NEW BERN ALUMNI RECEPTION APRIL 24, 2008



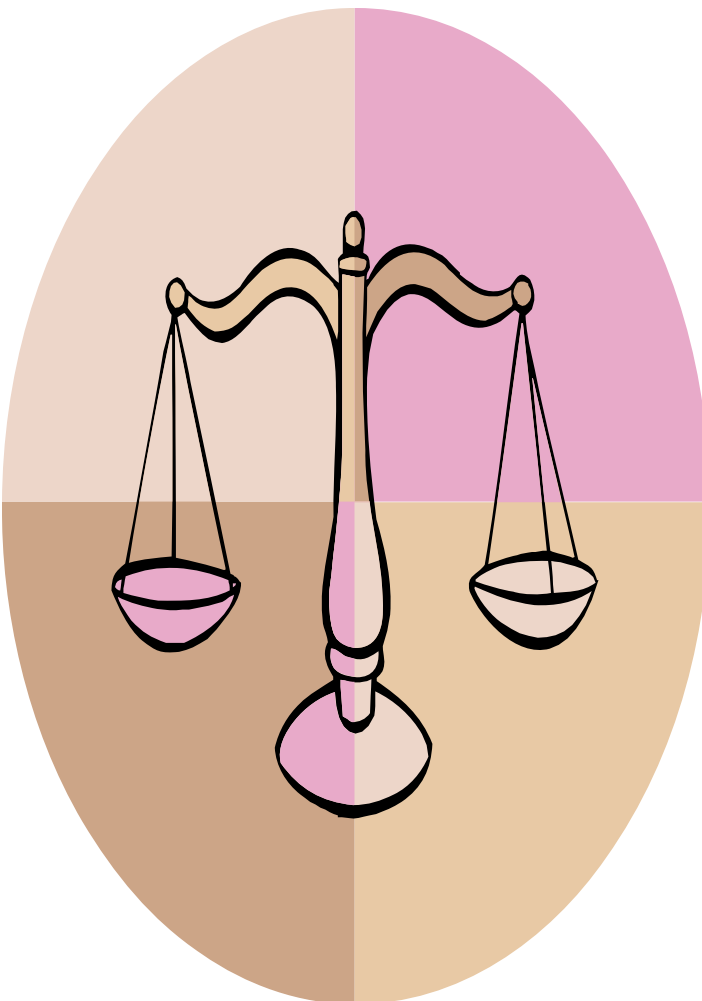
Richard Crow '04, Dean Raymond Pierce, John Harmon '65, Terri Sharp '02

for more pictures of the event click [here](#)

John Harmon '65 made sure a good time was had by all by sponsoring the annual North Carolina Central University School of Law New Bern Alumni Reception.

The reception was held at the New Bern Riverfront Convention Center, which is located in the town's historic district overlooking an expansive view of the Neuse River. Guests were treated to delicious side dishes and tempting, scrumptious homemade desserts.

The program began with Robert Raynor '81 introducing of Dean Pierce. After his opening remarks, Dean Pierce spoke about the great strides the Law School has made in the past year, including a 90% bar passage rate reached in February and other successes listed on page 2.





WASHINGTON D.C. ALUMNI RECEPTION MAY 15, 2008

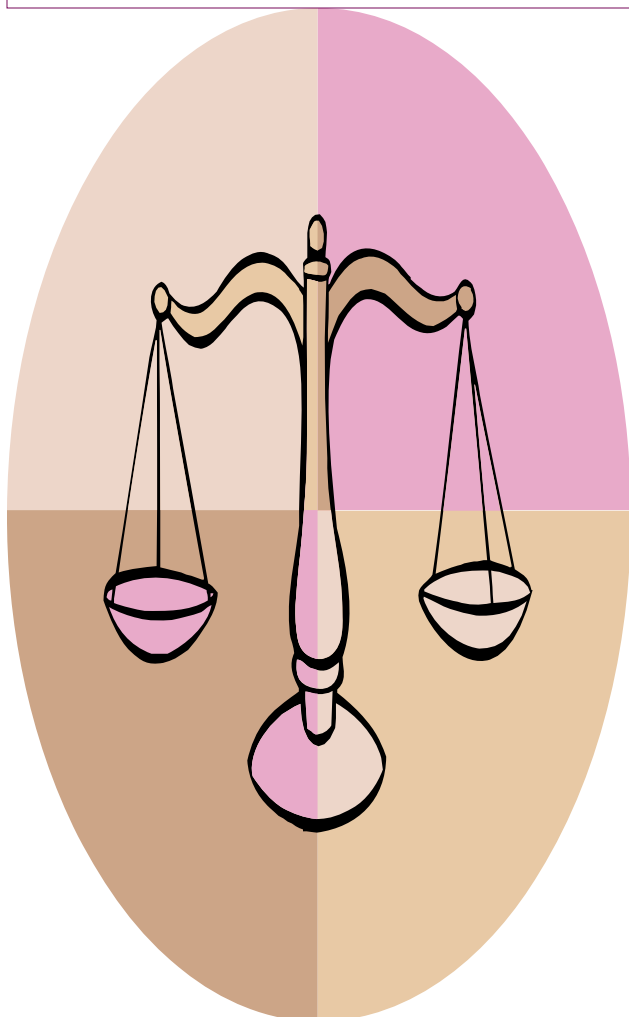


Rogelyn McLean '00, Greg Fairbanks '00, LaDonna Webster '06

for more pictures of the event click
[here](#)

Rogelyn Mc Lean '00 deserves much appreciation from the Washington area alums for her dedicated efforts in arranging the annual NCCU School of Law Washington D.C. alumni reception at her law firm, Crowell & Moring, LLP, on Thursday, May 15th. Along with Ms. McLean, William Gardner '76 also deserves kudos for his generous support in providing the beautiful spread of hearty hot and cold hors d' oeuvres and delicious desserts.

Special thanks to the host committee: Jason Groves '96, Candace Ewell '00, Gregory Fairbanks '00, and Ladonna Webster '06. The reception brought together Washington D.C. area alumni and guests in celebration of the Law School as a leader in legal academic diversity.





2008 SCHOOL OF LAW COMMENCEMENT



On May 3rd, under beautiful sunny skies and warm afternoon breezes the School of Law commencement exercises got underway at the Durham Bulls Athletic Park.

The program included welcoming remarks by SBA President Jesse McCoy II, and Alumni Association President Tonya Ford '00. Dean Pierce introduced the keynote speaker, the Honorable Patricia Timmons-Goodson, Associate Justice of the North Carolina Supreme Court. Larry Brown Jr., this year's Class President, gave the "charge to the class."

The ceremony concluded with Dean Pierce, Assistant Dean Adrienne Meddock '91 and Assistant Dean Steve Douglas '82 bestowing 137 Juris Doctor degrees on the graduates in the Class of 2008.





2008 – 2009 SPEAKER SERIES SCHEDULE

**CHIEF JUSTICE
JOHN G. ROBERTS
JR.
APRIL 13, 2009**



Discourse on Contemporary Legal Issues Speakers Series

- **October 22, 2008** Kenneth W. Starr—Dean of Pepperdine University School of Law and former Federal Judge on the D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals
- **April 13, 2009** John G. Roberts Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court

General Counsel Speakers Series

- **September 16, 2008** Susan Klooz—General Counsel Wal-Mart Stores Inc.
- **September 23, 2008** E. Christopher Johnson, Jr.—Vice President and General Counsel, General Motors North America

Visiting Speakers Series

- **June 25, 2008** Dennis Archer—Chairman, Dickinson Wright PLLC

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