



INAUGURAL LAW AND TECH SUMMIT OCT. 14-15

The North Carolina Central University (NCCU) Technology Law and Policy Center will host the inaugural Law and Technology Summit on Oct. 14-15, 2022. The hybrid event will be held on the NCCU campus and virtually.

The summit aims to bring together some of the industry’s top legal experts, policy advocates and technologists from around the country. It will include keynotes, presentations, and panel discussions designed to examine issues and current developments in law and technology, including artificial intelligence, data privacy, cybersecurity, tech policy, legal services, regulatory reform and more.

“There is a growing need for lawyers who have expertise in the emerging technology-related areas like data privacy and cybersecurity,” said April Dawson, associate dean of technology and innovation and professor of law at NCCU School of Law. “There is also an enormous need for diverse legal professionals who can engage in meaningful technology-related policy discussions to ensure that technology law, regulations, and technology implementation do not result in the further marginalization of communities of color and that technology is used to create a more just society.”

Housed in the NCCU School of Law, the Technology Law and Policy Center is a result of a \$5 million gift from the Intel Corporation. The mission of the center is to give more access to diverse professionals in the tech law field and address discriminatory laws and public policies that create structural and systemic inequities. Through the partnership, Intel will also contribute legal and strategic expertise, faculty training, summer internships and Intel mentors for both students and faculty members.

“The NCCU School of Law has been a leader in equity and diversity within the legal education field for several decades,” said Johnson O. Akinleye, Ph.D., NCCU chancellor. “The launch of the Technology and Policy Center Law and its inaugural summit plays an essential role in assisting the university in fulfilling the Eagle Promise to students as it provides innovative learning opportunities, direct connections with leading tech executives, and produces diverse legal professionals who are equipped to transform their communities.

For more information about the Technology Law and Policy Center, visit law.nccu.edu.



April Dawson, Associate Dean of Technology and Innovation

STUDENT ORGANIZATION SPOTLIGHT Law & Technology Student Organization

Meet our Team
North Carolina Central University School of Law
LAW & TECHNOLOGY STUDENT ORGANIZATION

 Todd Ford Jr President	 Malcolm Lewis Vice President	 Stephanie Lindor Director of Communications
 Kiarra Slay Treasurer	 Kayla Mitchell Secretary	

The newly established Law and Technology Student Organization was created to guide students in utilizing NCCU’s resources in the field and to build a community of students and professors interested in law and technology.

The organization will sponsor talks and study groups, organize events for faculty and student fellows and address questions about career options. In addition, the organization will provide guidance about the wealth of opportunities in the law and tech space around the country and host social events for students and faculty affiliated with the program.

Law and Technology Student Events:

October 15: Privilege Conversations on Technology Policy with Chris Lewis, CEO of Public Knowledge

November - NCCU School of Law and Duke Law Students Networking Event

December - Data Privacy 101

Upcoming Events

October 14-15: Law and Technology Summit | 8a.m. - 5pm

October 20: Commemorating the Southern Conference on Race Relations Noon - 9p.m.

October 21: Expunction Clinic | 11 a.m.

October 22: 2022 Legal Design Derby | 9a.m. - 5p.m.

November 5: Law Alumni Fish Fry | 11a.m. - 1p.m.

To share your good news, career promotions, recognition, or other points of pride, email us at: ncculawdevelopment@nccu.edu



CLINIC CORNER

As the Pro Bono Clinic kicks off another year modeling “Truth and Service”, there has been even more passion and intentionality in meeting the unmet legal needs of the community. In putting into practice the motto “there is strength in numbers”, the NCCU School of Law Pro Bono Clinic has expanded its efforts in forging new relationships while strengthening existing relationships to achieve the same great mission and goal: to make justice equally accessible to all people through pro bono service.

To kick off National Pro Bono Week in October, NCCU School of Law’s Pro Bono Clinic, along with Duke Law Pro Bono, UNC Law Pro Bono, and Legal Aid of North Carolina (Durham Office) will host its first expunction clinic at the Durham County Courthouse on October 21. This day clinic will provide an opportunity for law students from all three law schools to meet local judges, district attorneys, and public

defenders while learning and working on cases for Durham residents who cannot afford attorneys to expunge charges and convictions from their criminal records.

We recognize and see first hand the barriers charges and convictions have on employment and housing opportunities for those in our community. This affects thousands of Durham residents, many of whom can not afford legal representation. The Pro Bono Clinic is privileged to work alongside our partners to expand efforts in serving our community and providing legal relief in this area.



Attorney Lakethia G. Jefferies
Director of the Pro Bono Clinic



NCCU School of Law held its annual Constitution Day program on September 16, in the Great Hall. Legal advocates and law professors helped shine a light on important topics including: Voting Rights in 2022, After Roe, Now what? The State of Reproductive Rights-Post Dobbs, Patent Law and the U.S. Constitution, The Roberts Court and Religious Liberty and the Future of Affirmative Action.



LAW DEMS VISIT WITH FORMER CHIEF JUSTICE CHERI BEASLEY



On September 27, the Honorable Cheri Beasley, former Chief Justice of the North Carolina Supreme Court visited NCCU School of Law students. She spoke about the importance of exercising the right to vote, expanding access to affordable health care and the climate crisis.



Commemorating
**SOUTHERN CONFERENCE ON
RACE RELATIONS**

Durham, N. C., October 20, 1942

**Keynote Speaker:
Justice Anita Earls**

**Social Justice Fair:
The Gathering of Nonprofits
for the Good of Justice
12:00 pm - 4:00 pm
NCCU New Student Center**

**Click to
Register**

**Then and Now:
Panel Discussion on the
Durham Manifesto
5:00 pm - 9:00 pm
NCCU Nursing Building Auditorium**



**THEN AND NOW:
80 YEARS OF STRUGGLE
FOR RACIAL EQUITY**

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