

CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

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SERIOUSNESS OF PURPOSE

NEWS

PARCHMAN ORDEAL



(l-r) Mark G. LaFrancis, Darrell White, and Robert Morgan

The Louis A. Berry Civil Rights and Justice Institute hosted a seminar about the Parchman Ordeal, an incident of injustice that occurred in Natchez, Mississippi in 1965. Mark G. LaFrancis, Darrell White, and Robert Morgan published a book-turned documentary based on the 1965 events and survivor interviews. The authors presented the importance of documenting the history and injustices that African-Americans face.

ANNUAL BAYOU CLASSIC CLE



Attorneys engage in conversations on professionalism, ethics, and more.

The Law Center partnered with the National Bar Association for our annual Bayou Classic CLE. The symposium engaged local attorneys and legal professions in a conversation on the topics of professionalism, ethics and Cannabis and Hemp.

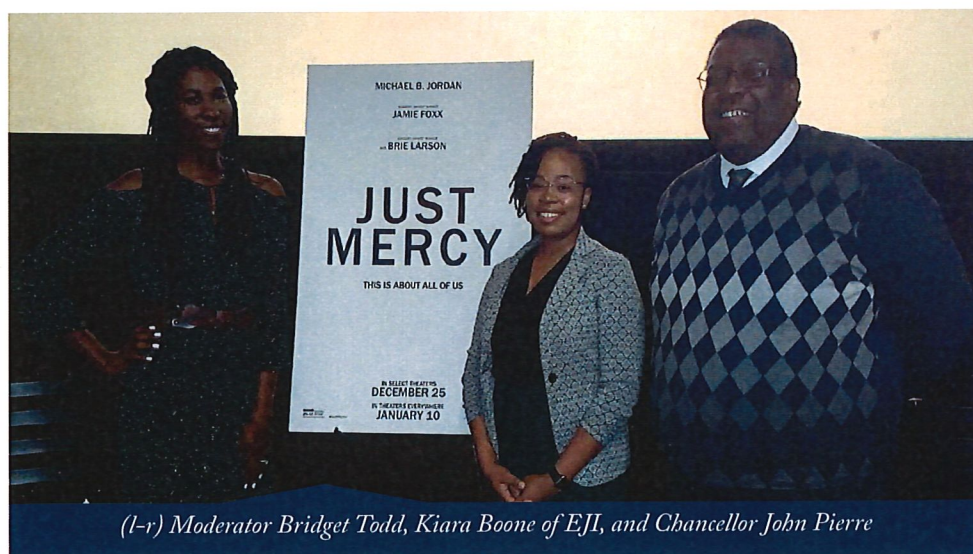
CANNIBUS & HEMP SYMPOSIUM



Atty. Scheril Murray Powell speaking on 2018 Farm Bill and Its Impact on Industrial Hemp

In December, the Law Center's Cannabis Compliance, Law and Policy Institute partnered with the Southern University Agricultural Center for the Cannabis and Hemp Continuing Education Symposium. The two-day event introduced the many facets of the industry, including ancillary careers, professionalism, legislation, and more.

'JUST MERCY' Movie SCREENING



(l-r) Moderator Bridget Todd, Kiara Boone of EJI, and Chancellor John Pierre

Southern University's Office of Student Affairs hosted a free screening of the upcoming movie, "Just Mercy", starring Michael B. Jordan and Jamie Foxx. The film is based on the true story of civil rights defense attorney, Bryan Stevenson, as he fights to exonerate death row inmate, Walter McMillian. Following the movie, John Pierre, chancellor of the Southern University Law Center, participated in a panel discussion with civil rights and equal justice advocates.

PARTNERSHIPS

NORTH CAROLINA CENTRAL UNIVERSITY



North Carolina Central University has partnered with the Law Center for their Virtual Justice Project, an initiative to deliver virtual pre-law courses and provide HD teleconference systems to churches and libraries. The Law Center will receive a Polycom RealPresence Immersive Studio where faculty, students, and staff can create a visual, audio, and collaboration experience by connecting to webinars, clients, and the community.

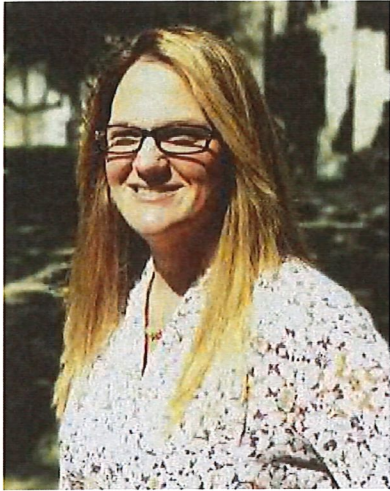
STUDENT HIGHLIGHTS

TREZELL RAGAS



Trezell Ragas is the 2019 recipient of the Marquita Christy Memorial Scholarship, a scholarship created to memorialize the late Law Center student, Marquita Christy.

FACULTY NEWS



KELLY CARMENA

Professor Kelly Carmena was selected to receive the 10:1 Blackstone's Order award. This award recognizes "lawyers who remind judges, jurors and even skeptical prosecutors that it is better that 10 guilty persons escape than that one innocent suffer."



NADIA NEDZEL

Professor Nadia Nedzel was recently awarded a Recognition of Achievement in Global Legal Skills Education in celebration of the 4th edition of her book "Legal Reasoning, Research and Writing for International Graduate Students." Nedzel was honored at the 14th Global Legal Skills Conference in Phoenix, AZ.



DEIDRE D. ROBERTS

Deidre Robert, general counsel for the Southern University System General Counsel and adjunct professor at the Southern University Law Center, was recently re-elected to the House of Delegates of the Louisiana State Bar Association. She will be representing the 18th Judicial District, and this will be her third term.

ALUMNI NEWS



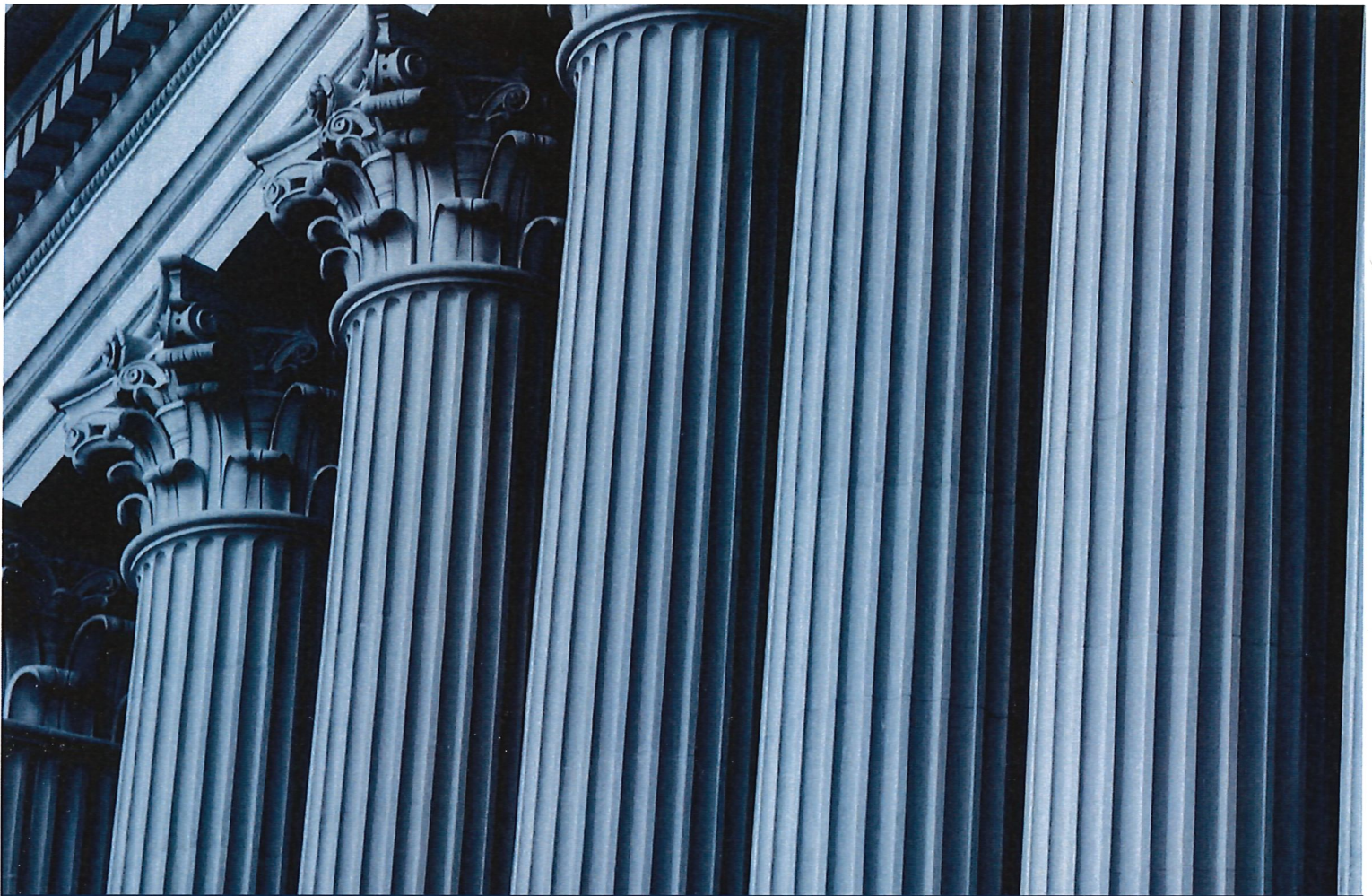
ERIN MONROE WESLEY

Erin Monroe Wesley, '02, was named Cox Communications' Southeast Vice President of Government and Public Affairs.



WHITNEY STEWART

Recent graduate, Whitney Stewart, became an associate attorney with Blue Williams in Metairie.



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