

CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

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PRODUCING LAWYER LEADERS

NEWS



OFFICE OF EQUITY, INCLUSION & TITLE IX HOST WOMEN IN LEADERSHIP SERIES FEATURING LAW CENTER ALUMNA

The Law Center's Office of Equity, Inclusion & Title IX continued the Women in Leadership series with a panel discussion featuring several alumnae.

Attorneys Susan Nelson and Terrel Kent, East Baton Rouge School Board Vice President Dawn Collins, and La State Representative Vanessa Caston LaFleur talked about their career trajectory and time at SULC. Each alum shared different aspects of their professional experience and gave beneficial advice to those seeking a career in politics.

OVERCOMING HEALTH STIGMAS WERE ON THE AGENDA DURING SULC'S TOTAL WELLNESS AND CANCER AWARENESS EVENT

Southern University Law Center hosted "Just Beat It," a cancer awareness and total wellness event. During the event, community members took part in wellness screenings and received information on local resources available addressing caregivers, nutrition, wellness, and more. In addition, local survivors and community health experts participated in a panel discussion on cancer survivorship and resources for patients and families battling this disease.

Participating vendors included representatives from, Southern University Agricultural Research and Extension Center, Baton Rouge General, Pennington Biomedical Research Center, Be the Match, Mary Bird Perkins Cancer Center, SULC's Vulnerable Community and People's Initiative, and Parker's Pharmacy.



SENIOR LEADERSHIP AND STAFF ATTEND CEO ROUNDTABLE ON CANCER ANNUAL MEETING

Chancellor Pierre and Office of External Affairs' staff attended the CEO Roundtable on Cancer's Annual Meeting. Participants were able to network and chat with partners and colleagues from other HBCU's and corporate organizations. In addition, Chancellor Pierre sat on panel addressing leadership's role on advancing health outcomes within our local communities.

The mission of the CEO Roundtable on Cancer is to make continual progress toward the elimination of cancer as a personal disease and public health problem through initiatives that reduce the risk of cancer, enable early diagnosis, facilitate access to treatment, and hasten the discovery of effective therapies.

In 2021, the Law Center came on board as a partner, along with several other higher education institutions and corporate partners.



STUDENT EVENTS



YOUNG ALUMNI CONVERSE WITH CURRENT STUDENTS ON THE CURRENT WORKFORCE, PERSONAL LIFE

Several SULC alumni engaged Law Center students in a conversation about how maintain a well-balanced work and personal life. Each alum gave valuable advice on how to gently navigate from law school to the real world and provided students with a glimpse of what to expect following graduation. Following the conversation, they gave students tips on how to become successful in the field of law.

STUDENT EVENTS

SULC CHILDREN AND FAMILY LAW SOCIETY AND LOUISIANA COLLEGE PRISON PROJECT HOSTED 'CALL US BY OUR NAME' PANEL DISCUSSION



SULC's Children and Family Law Society and Louisiana College Prison Project collaborated to host a panel discussion titled, "Call Us by Our Name". The panelists, Honorable Judge Gail Grover, EBR Juvenile Court Judge; Virginia Listach, SULC Clinic Director; Brittney Reed, 19th JDC Assistant District Attorney; and Shon Williams, Louisiana Foundation for Children's Rights Outreach Coordinator, engaged in a roundtable discussion about the importance of keeping humanity at the focus

of working with clients within the criminal justice system.

Participants were imparted with wise words on navigating the complexities of public interest work and learned about promising opportunities to get involved with the Louisiana College Prison Project's mission to establish an education program for incarcerated people within Louisiana prisons.

FACULTY HIGHLIGHTS

CHANCELLOR JOHN PIERRE



Racing Toward Diversity magazine recently highlighted Chancellor Pierre for the progressive innovations taking place at the Law Center.

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ANGELA ALLEN-BELL

SULC Professor Angela Allen-Bell was invited to serve as a member of an international expert advisory group. In this capacity, she is tasked with assisting with an exploration of the potential connection between non-unanimous verdicts, race, and miscarriages of justice in England and Wales.



STUDENT HIGHLIGHTS

TAYLOR SCOTT



Law Center student Taylor Scott was awarded a \$9,000 scholarship from the Thurgood Marshall College Fund and Hennessy after pitching her capstone project for the Hennessey Fellows program.

ERYN WELLS

SULC student Eryn Wells received a \$7,000 scholarship from the Thurgood Marshall College Fund after pitching her capstone project for the Hennessy program.



STUDENT HIGHLIGHTS

WHITNEY TRIPLET



Whitney Triplet has been awarded a \$3,000 scholarship from the Louisiana Judicial Council.

LAKESHIA WILLIAMS

Law Center student Lakeshia Williams received the “My Life as a Lawyer Scholarship” from the Corporate Counsel Women of Color.



MAYA SAV'AGE



Law Center student Maya Sav'age has been named a 2022 Multicultural Media, Telecom and Internet Council Fall Fellow.

SHAUL ISRAEL

SULC student Shaul Israel won Best Oral Advocate at the Battle of the Louisiana Schools Mock Trial Competition.



STUDENT HIGHLIGHTS

LUCAS VEGA



Law Center student Lucas Vega was selected as one of 30 applicants for this year's National Football League HBCU Experienceship.

ALUMNI HIGHLIGHTS

ERIKA GREEN

Law Center alumna Judge Erika Green was selected as a Baton Rouge Business Report Top 40 Under 40 honoree.



CLAIRE BABINEAUX-FONTENOT



Alumna Claire Babineaux-Fontenot is appointed to the Abbot board of directors.

ALUMNI HIGHLIGHTS

ASHLEI GRADNEY

Law Center alumna, Attorney Ashlei Gradney, was named a 'Superb Woman' in her community.



SHEARIL MATTHEWS

Alumna Shearil Matthews has joined Kean Miller LLP as an associate.



LAKEISHA CAREY

Law Center alumna Lakeisha Carey was selected as a 2022 Top 40 under 40 honoree by Inside Business.



ONGOING AND UPCOMING EVENTS

*Southern University Law Center and
Levin Papantonio Rafferty presents*

MASS TORT SEMINAR

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25TH

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601 Loyola Ave, New Orleans, LA 70113

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