

CHANCELLOR'S REPORT



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INSIDE STORY

SULC TECH CLINIC HOSTS LOUISIANA'S INAUGURAL INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY SUMMIT IN NEW ORLEANS



Southern University Law Center's (SULC) Technology and Entrepreneurship Clinic hosted Louisiana's inaugural Intellectual Property Summit on November 16-17.

The two-day summit covered a wide range of crucial topics, from protecting brand identities to securing technology and business processes. It brought together federal and state officials, industry leaders, and economic development experts to

strengthen Louisiana's innovative potential and intellectual property landscape.

The Summit's agenda explored the strategies for developing and expanding your IP portfolio, innovative IP commercialization strategies, addressing IP challenges for small and medium-sized enterprises, and much more. This inaugural event offered a unique opportunity to engage with key figures from our nation's intellectual property agencies and assess the resources required to further enhance Louisiana's IP and Innovation ecosystem.

Featured speakers at the event included Kathi Vidal, Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and United States Patent Trademark Office Director; Donald Cravins, Under Secretary of Commerce for Minority Business Development; Congressman Troy Carter, United States House of Representatives member from Louisiana's 2nd Congressional District; Dennis Shields, president of the Southern University System, and more.

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SULC RECEIVED 2023 UREC GIVING HEART CHAMPION AWARD

Southern University Law Center received the 2023 Urban Restoration Enhancement Corporation (UREC) Giving Heart Champion award. The Law Center works closely with UREC on the annual College and Career Ready Pre-Law Institute. This is a program that introduces high school students to civics, law, and criminal justice.



LEGAL PROFESSIONALS EXPAND KNOWLEDGE ON LITIGATION, HEIRS' PROPERTY DURING ANNUAL BAYOU CLASSIC CLE



Southern University Law Center's Office of Innovation and Strategic Partnerships and Initiatives hosted its annual Bayou Classic Continuing Legal Education (CLE) course during the 50th Bayou Classic. The CLE provided an overview of mass tort litigation and how to maximize legal marketing, branding, and development in the Mass Tort market. In addition, attendees participated in a conversation on demystifying heirs' property, where esteemed experts delved into the intricacies of rural and urban heirs' property, shedding light on its legal, social, professional and ethical dimensions.

STUDENT EVENTS



SULC COLLABORATES WITH STUDENT INFLUENCERS TO DISCUSS THE LINK BETWEEN MENTAL HEALTH AND GAMING

During the first installment of Safe Space Talks series, Charnel Jackson, mental health counselor at Southern University, sat down with student influencers to discuss the intersection of mental health and gaming. Student

influencers included Jazmon DeRousselle, Gerald Broussard III, and Kendall Sands.

The influencers led an open and enlightening dialogue about critical issues impacting the student community. It focused on how to balance gaming and academics, the importance of prioritizing your mental wellness as a student, maintaining your mental health as an athlete, and more.

SULC'S CHARLES J. HATFIELD MOCK TRIAL TEAM RECEIVE TOP ADVOCATE AWARDS

Southern University Law Center's Charles J. Hatfield Mock Trial Team was the only among the only HBCU teams to participate in the Case Western Reserve Classic in Cleveland, Ohio. The team consisted of Diana Copeland, Andrew Garcia, Kareem Ross- Brooks, Kennedi Mason, and Omarosa Newman. Newman, Garcia, and Copeland received top advocate awards in various rounds.



STUDENT FEATURES

ALVIN CASIMERE



Alvin Casimere received the Captain Richard Stewart JAG Corp. U.S. Navy (Ret.) Legal Education Scholarship.

WILLIAM GASPARD JR



William Gaspard Jr. attended the 81st Professional Agricultural Workers Conference as a Carver Integrative Sustainability Center (CISC) HBCU fellow.

DR. JIM HENDERSON



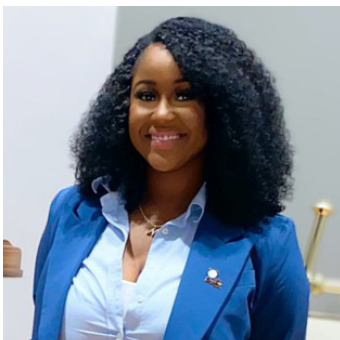
Dr. Jim Henderson was named president of Louisiana Tech University.

JADA BENNETT



Jada Bennett was named a 2023 ChIPs scholarship recipient.

VENESIA CAMPBELL



Venesia Campbell secured a paid internship opportunity within the Office of Mayor-President Sharon Weston

Broome.

LILIA GOMEZ



Lilia Gomez received the Cuban American Bar Association.

STUDENT FEATURES

WILLIAM WALLACE III



William Wallace, III received a scholarship from the Black Entertainment and Sports Lawyers Association, Inc.

PEACE SCOTT



LILLIAN WHITE



Peace Scott and Lillian White were selected to attend the Columbia Law School's Study Abroad Program.

FACULTY FEATURES

GAIL STEPHENSON



Gail Stephenson received the "Long Purple Line" Hall of Distinction award from Northwestern State University.

RUSSELL JONES



Retired SULC Professor Russell Jones was presented with the SBA Diversity Committee's Creating a More Respectful World award.

ALUMNI FEATURES

RICK GALLOT



Rick Gallot has been named president for the University of Louisiana System.

APRIL L. JOHNSON



April Leon Johnson has been appointed to First Assistant United States Attorney.

VALERIE BLACK



Valerie Black was promoted to General Counsel of The Water Institute of the Gulf.

ADREINNE GILBERT



Adreinne Gilbert joined the Federation of Southern Cooperative Land Assistance Fund as a legal fellow.

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