

# THURGOOD FACULTY SPOTLIGHT



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Thurgood Marshall School of Law



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**Adjunct Professor D'Andra Shu** accepted an offer of publication from The Second Draft for a piece she wrote with our former colleague, Katherine Vukadin, entitled "Catching On: How Post-Critique Assessments Deepen Understanding and Improve Legal Writing." The authors explain that individualized assessment of student papers is one of the most important tasks legal writing professors undertake, but the work is wasted if students do not absorb the critique. The piece offers tools that legal writing professors can use to help students better absorb professor comments on their papers and carry forward those lessons to the next assignment. The piece will appear in the Fall 2019 edition of The Second Draft.

**L. Darnell Weeden, Associate Dean of Research & Faculty Development, Roberson King Professor of Law** accepted an offer from The Brigham Young Journal of Public Law to publish his article, "Freedom of Association, Extreme Partisan Gerrymandering and the Unmistakable Political Question." The BYU Journal of Public Law Editorial Board found Weeden's article well-written, timely, and interesting. The editorial board also found the article's topic to be unique and its substance well analyzed. The editorial board feels that Weeden's article will be an important contribution to its understanding of public law. The Journal plans to publish the article in its Fall 2019 issue.



**Professor Peter V. Marchetti's** article titled, Amending the Flaws in the Safe Harbors of the Bankruptcy Code: Guarding Against Systemic Risk in the Financial Markets and Adding Stability to the System, 31 EMORY BANKR. DEV. J. 305 (2015), was recently cited in the following law review article written and published by Professor Simin Gao of Tsinghua University School of Law in China: Legal Pluralism and Isomorphism in Global Financial Regulation: The Case of OTC Derivative Counterparty Risk Regulation in China, 51 GEO. WASH. INT'L L. REV. 145 (2019).



**Champion**



**Norris**

**Professor Walter Champion and Associate Director of the Law Library & Adjunct Professor Danyahel Norris** coauthored an article entitled, ‘Hawaiian Zen’ vs. ‘Beltway Paranoia’: The Legal Ethical Difference Under Obama in Disseminating Information, was recently published in the *Appalachian Journal of Law*, 18 *Appalachian J.L.* 101 (2019). The primary goal of the article was to point out how Obama’s personal philosophy was influenced by the concept of Hawaiian Zen, and how it influenced his policy making decisions. The article also contrasted the approach to the policies created during the Obama Era to the typical practices of Washington D.C., which is commonly referred to as the Beltway.

**September 1, 2019 edition of The Thurgood Faculty Spotlight has included a copy of the Fall 2019 Thurgood Marshall School of Law Faculty Series schedule as an attachment below.**

# Thurgood Faculty Spotlight

ANNOUNCES THE  
TMSL FALL FACULTY  
LECTURE SERIES

## SCHEDULE OF PRESENTERS

Presentations are on Wednesdays 12-12:50  
P.M. in the Dean's Conference Room at  
TMSL unless otherwise noted.

### FALL 2019

For more information please contact



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8/28/19



#### Faculty Lecture Series

Walter T. Champion, Professor  
of Law  
Thurgood Marshall School of  
Law

*"Daily Fantasy Sports and the  
'Fuzzy Animal' Debate in Texas"*

9/4/19



#### Faculty Lecture Series

Joan R.M. Bullock, Dean of Law  
Thurgood Marshall School of  
Law

*"Teaching Intentionally"*

9/11/19



#### Faculty Lecture Series

Lisa Dela Torre, Assistant  
Director Bar Readiness  
Thurgood Marshall School of  
Law

*"Orientation to the UBE in Texas"*

9/18/19



#### Faculty Lecture Series

Mary Kelly, Law Instructor  
Thurgood Marshall School of Law  
*"Local, State and Federal  
Legislative and Regulatory  
Programs Dealing with  
Flooding Issues"*

9/25/19



#### Faculty Lecture Series

Rhonda L. Harrison-Benjamin,  
Assistant Dean Academic  
Support,  
Thurgood Marshall School of Law

*"Academic Success and  
Assessment"*

10/2/19



#### Faculty Lecture Series

Thomas E. Kleven, Professor of  
Law  
Thurgood Marshall School of Law

*"Whither Democracy? Toward a  
More Democratic and Just America"*

10/9/19



#### Faculty Lecture Series

Fernando Colon, Professor of  
Law  
Thurgood Marshall School of Law

*"International Perspective on  
Academic Assessment"*

10/16/19



#### Faculty Lecture Series

Ericka Kelsaw, Professor of Law  
Thurgood Marshall School of Law  
*"Student-Centered Teaching"*

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10/23/19



**Faculty Lecture Series**  
Reem Haikal, Assistant  
Director Bar Readiness  
Thurgood Marshall School of  
Law  
*"The Role of Academic  
Support at HBCUs"*

10/30/19



**Faculty Lecture Series**  
D'Andra M. Shu, Adjunct  
Professor  
Thurgood Marshall School of  
Law  
*"When Food is a Weapon:  
Parental Liability for Food  
Allergy Bullying"*

11/6/19



**Faculty Lecture Series**  
Danyahel Norris, Associate  
Director Law Library  
Thurgood Marshall School of  
Law  
*"A TMSL Law Library  
Resources Update"*

11/13/19



**Faculty Lecture Series**  
Lydia Johnson, Professor of Law  
Thurgood Marshall School of  
Law  
*"Why Title IX Transgender  
Athletes and Sojourner Truth  
ask the same question—AIN'T  
I A WOMAN"*

11/20/19



**Faculty Lecture Series**  
L. Darnell Weeden, Associate  
Dean for Research & Faculty  
Development  
Thurgood Marshall School of  
Law  
*"Censuses, Voting Rights and  
an Unreasonable Actual Malice  
Justification for the Citizenship  
Question"*

Please send any announcements you would like to include in the next Thurgood Faculty Spotlight to Ms. Toyann Timmons (Toyann.Timmons@tmslaw.tsu.edu) and Dean Weeden (Larry.Weeden@tmslaw.tsu.edu) by 5p.m. Friday, September 6, 2019.



**Thurgood Faculty Spotlight** is a twice Monthly journal (the 1<sup>st</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> during the fall and spring semester) recording the achievements, experience, and awards of The Texas Southern University Thurgood Marshall School of Law faculty of distinction.

**L. Darnell Weeden, Associate Dean for Faculty Development & Research,  
is the editor of Thurgood Faculty Spotlight**