

CHANCELLOR'S REPORT



Producing Lawyer Leaders

JUNE/JULY 2026

INSIDE STORY

CHANCELLOR ALVIN WASHINGTON NAMED A 2026 DIAMOND AWARD HONOREE



Southern University Law Center Chancellor Alvin Washington was named a 2026 Diamond Award Laureate by The Not Alone Foundation, Inc. and The Academy of the Diamond Awards. The prestigious honor recognized his exceptional leadership in legal education, civil rights advocacy, and mediation. Washington was celebrated for his unwavering commitment to justice, reconciliation, due process, and civil rights, as well as his lasting impact on the legal profession through transformative leadership and the mentorship of future generations of ethical and service-driven legal professionals.

SULC FACULTY SHOWCASE RESEARCH AT NATIONAL CONFERENCES



Southern University Law Center faculty continue to enhance the institution's reputation for academic excellence by sharing innovative research and thought leadership on prominent national platforms.

Professors Genara Freeman-Morris and Charletta Fortson presented their paper, "NextGen Collaboration: Building Bridges to Student Success," at both the Biennial Empire State Legal Writing Conference at Fordham Law School and Lift 2026: The Resilience Conference at Mitchell Hamline School of Law. Their presentations highlighted collaborative strategies designed to promote student achievement and success in legal education.

The paper, co-authored with Associate Vice Chancellor Prentice White, Professor Emily Shaffett, and Professor Arielle Young, highlights the impact of collaboration in fostering student success and advancing innovative approaches to legal education.

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SULC Tech PARTNERS WITH UNO's URBAN ENTREPRENEURSHIP & POLICY INSTITUTE TO EXPAND ACCESS TO LEGAL GUIDANCE FOR LOUISIANA ENTREPRENEURS

The Southern University Law Center Technology and Entrepreneurship Clinic (SULC Tech), in partnership with the University of New Orleans' Urban Entrepreneurship and Policy Institute, is expanding access to legal guidance for Louisiana entrepreneurs through its Open Clinic Days, a series of educational legal consultation events designed to connect small business owners and entrepreneurs with attorneys and student attorneys.

SULC Tech conducted three Open Clinic Day events across Louisiana. Together, these clinics provided educational legal consultations to nearly 30 small businesses and entrepreneurs representing a variety of industries and stages of development.

The clinics offered an opportunity to meet one-on-one with legal professionals, seeking advice and guidance on a wide range of issues affecting small businesses. Consultation topics ranged from business formation and entity selection to intellectual property protection, contracts, and growth strategies.

SULC Tech remains committed to growing its partnerships and strengthening Louisiana's entrepreneurial ecosystem by expanding access to legal education and resources while preparing the next generation of transactional attorneys to serve businesses and communities throughout the state.

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SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY LAW CENTER CELEBRATES MORE THAN 200 GRADUATES AT SPRING 2026 COMMENCEMENT

Southern University Law Center (SULC) awarded the Class of 2026 with their Juris Doctor degrees at its Spring Commencement ceremony held at the F.G. Clark Activity Center on Southern University's campus.

The event began with a warm welcome from Chancellor Alvin Washington, who addressed the graduates, their support systems, and distinguished guests. He praised the class for its resilience and encouraged graduates, as they move forward, to build bridges for others to follow.

Erin Monroe, Market Vice President for Greater Louisiana at Cox Communications, served as the keynote speaker for the ceremony.

The event concluded with closing remarks celebrating the achievements of the graduating class and officially welcoming them into the SULC alumni network as they begin the next chapter of their legal careers. The ceremony was live streamed on the Law Center's YouTube channel.

SULC TO SPONSOR LUNCH FOR JULY 2026 BAR EXAM TAKERS

The Southern University Law Center is proud to support July 2026 Louisiana Bar Exam takers by providing lunch for examinees during the exam. As graduates work toward this milestone, SULC remains committed to fostering a supportive community that supports alumni every step of the way.

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SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY LAW CENTER HOSTS STAFF APPRECIATION LUNCHEON

Chancellor Alvin Washington recently hosted a special luncheon in honor of the Southern University Law Center staff. The gathering served as an opportunity to recognize and thank staff members for their hard work, dedication, and continued commitment to supporting the mission of the Law Center.

During the luncheon, Chancellor Washington expressed gratitude for the valuable role staff members play in the daily operations and overall success of SULC. He emphasized the importance of collaboration and acknowledged how the dedication of the staff helps create an environment where students and alumni can succeed.



SULC MARSHALL-BRENNAN SCHOLARS EXPLORE STUDENT PRIVACY RIGHTS AT SPRING MOOT COURT COMPETITION

In the heart of the nation's capital, Southern University Law Center's Marshall-Brennan scholars challenged the limits of the Fourth Amendment and student privacy rights at the annual Moot Court Competition.

Students from across the country gathered in Washington, D.C., to present their arguments and compete at a high level. Southern University Law Center stood out as the only school to advance three scholars to the semifinals, with Anwar McKinney earning an impressive second-place finish overall.

JOINT VENTURES

SULC AND AMAZON PARTNER FOR INSPIRING VIRTUAL FIRESIDE CHAT WITH ALUMNI

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The Southern University Law Center's Office of Career Services recently partnered with Amazon to host a virtual Fireside Chat for SULC alumni. The engaging session provided attendees with the opportunity to connect with members of Amazon's legal network and gain insight into careers within the tech industry.

During the discussion, Amazon professionals shared their personal career journeys, experiences working within the company, and advice on transferable skills that can help attorneys navigate diverse career paths. Participants also learned more about Amazon's hiring process, networking strategies, and opportunities available in the legal and corporate sectors.

STUDENT EVENTS

SULC'S TRIAL ADVOCACY BOARD PARTICIPATES IN ESTRELLA TRIAL ADVOCACY COMPETITION

Southern University Law Center's Trial Advocacy Board (TAB) recently showcased its advocacy excellence at the prestigious Estrella Trial Advocacy Competition in San Juan, Puerto Rico. SULC was one of only 14 law schools across the nation selected to compete in the highly competitive event, highlighting the strength and talent of the Law Center's aspiring advocates.

The competition brought together some of the nation's top law students to demonstrate their courtroom skills through trial simulations, oral arguments, witness examinations, and strategic case presentations. Throughout the competition, SULC students displayed professionalism, poise, and a strong command of trial advocacy while representing the Law Center on a national stage.

FACULTY HIGHLIGHTS

JUDD SNEIRSON



Professor Judd Sneirson recently published a new article titled “Judgments About Profits,” featured in Volume 80 of The Business Lawyer, the flagship law review of the American Bar Association.

DR. LENA JOHNSON



Upper Iowa University awarded Dr. Lena Johnson as its 2026 Roger & Alice Mangan Excellence in Teaching Award recipient. This award acknowledges the outstanding efforts of faculty members who go above and beyond in teaching.

STUDENT HIGHLIGHTS

DESTINI LEWIS



Destini Richardson Lewis accepted a summer internship at the Law Office of J. L. Bell, PLLC.

KALEB LAMBERT



Kaleb Lambert secured a summer associate position at both Laborde Siegel and Hammonds, Sills, Adkins, Guice, Noah & Perkins.

TAYLOR RUFFIN



Taylor Ruffin landed an externship with the New Orleans Saints and New Orleans Pelicans.

ALANA MASSEY



Alana Massey accepted a summer internship with Pratcher & Associates.

STUDENT HIGHLIGHTS

SHAKEARAH WINSTON



Shakearah Winston secured a law clerk position with the New Orleans Civil District Court, Division J.

RANDI WRIGHT



Randi Wright accepted a summer internship with the National Hockey League's Nashville Predators.

FAITH ADAMS



Faith Adams secured a summer internship with the New Orleans Sewerage and Water Board.

CHLOE STOWE



Chloe Stowe secured a clerkship at Hammonds, Sills, Adkins, Guice, Noah & Perkins.

ARI DUNN



Ari Dunn landed a law clerk position with Dudley DeBosier Injury Lawyers.

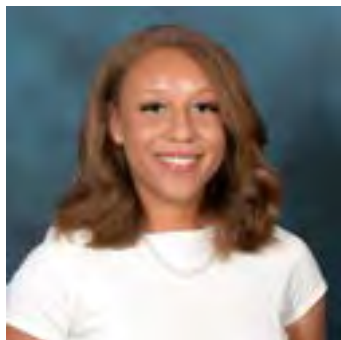
CHEYENNE FOWLER



Cheyenne Fowler accepted a legal internship at R.W. Tucker & Associates.

STUDENT HIGHLIGHTS

KAILEY GLASS



Kailey Glass accepted an internship with the Louisiana Court of Appeals, First Circuit.

GEORGETORIA NZE



Georgetoria Nze secured an internship with Prolifiq Sports Group.

ALLENICIA ARBET



Allenicia Arbet was selected as a summer law clerk for the Louisiana Department of Conservation and Energy.

KENNEDI MONCREARY



Kennedi Moncreary was selected to intern at the 4th Judicial District Court.

THOMAS GRAHAM



Thomas-Charles Graham accepted a law clerk position with the Manning Law Firm.

KENNEDY CARTER



Kennedy Carter accepted a judicial internship at the Superior Court of Cobb County, Georgia.

STUDENT HIGHLIGHTS

JAILYN WILLIAMS



Jailyn Williams landed a clerkship with Judge Bennie L. Richard at the 9th Chancery Court District in Greenville, MS.

ALUMNI HIGHLIGHTS

WILLIAM H. BURRIS



William H. Burris ('07) has been elected to serve on the Louisiana Supreme Court, 1st District.

CAULETTE GUILLARD



Caulette Jackson Guillard ('05) has been elected as Baton Rouge Family Court Judge for Section 3, Division A.

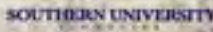
IKENNA UZOEGWU



Ikenna Uzoegwu ('21), was highlighted by Stange Law Firm for helping individuals navigate complex legal matters with clarity, confidence, and practical guidance.

CURRENT & FUTURE EVENTS

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TRAVEL INFORMATION
Once registered for the CLE, attendees will receive access to information regarding available travel packages for the trip.

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