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North Carolina Central University
School of Law
Class of 2005

Commencement Exercises



James E. Shepard, Founder

*“Integrity in Practice -
Diversity in Fact”*
Saturday, May 7, 2005
American Tobacco Historic District Campus
1:00 p.m.

Program

Processional

Welcome Kellyn S. Kincaid
Class Treasurer

Moment of Thanks Precious L. Vines
Evening Class Representative

Time of Encouragement

Remarks Stephen R. Irwin, Valedictorian
Kelly T. Ensslin, Salutatorian

Musical Tribute Bethanie A. Mickles
Anna M. Mickles

Introduction of the Speaker Michele J. Jacobs
Class Vice President

Speaker The Honorable G.K. Butterfield '74
U.S. Congress, 1st District, N.C.

The Class of Two Thousand Five

Presentation of Degrees Janice L. Mills
Dean, NCCU School of Law

Adrienne L. Meddock '91
Assistant Dean, Evening Program

R. Steven Douglas '91
Assistant Dean, Day Program

School of Law Alumni Association Welcome Ralph K. Frasier, Jr. '94
President, NCCU Law Alumni Assoc.

Time of Appreciation

Presentation of Gifts Arin B. Jones
Day SBA Representative

Taisha M. Ziegler
Class Secretary

Recognition of Faculty, Staff, Family and Loved Ones Melinda L. Quick
Evening SBA Representative

Cory A. Williams
Day SBA Representative

Time of Reflection

Charge to the Class Michael D. Waters
Class President

Closing

Closing Remarks Janice L. Mills
Dean, NCCU School of Law

Recessional

Juris Doctorate Degree Candidates

May 7, 2005

- Wayne K. Alexander
Ruth M. Allen-Demery
Steven W. Arrington
Jannice Ashley
Michael C. Atkins
Tasha D. Auton
Daniel D. Bennett
•* Jens K. Bergenser, Jr.
Jaspreet Bindra
♦ J. Blair Biser
Courtney Virginia Booth
Asi A. Botwe
Quietta R. Bowden
* Jennifer S. Boyer
* John K. Bramble
Dare D. Branch
Erin L. Brown
Ashley D. Cannon
Sonya L. Carter
John C. Cashwell, II
♦ John E. Clark, Jr.
Vernon E. Cloud, Jr.
▲ M. Elizabeth Kovakich Collins
Steve L. Combs
▲ Kathryn L. Coulter
Daneida M. Curry
Thomas E. Davis
Inez I. de Ondarza
▲ Andrew J. DeSimone
L. Beth Hobbs Dew
Byron C. Dunning
S▲ Kelly T. Ensslin
Olutosin O. Fapojuwu
▲ Sara K. Fitzgerald
* Bryant D. Flynn
Donald R. George
Jack S. Gilmore
Kenneth N. Glover
Matthew H. Godwin
Regina R. Graham
* Clifton J. Gray, III
Randall L. Gregg
* Mary J. Gurganus
Julie D. Hall
Christy A. Hamilton
Anika R. Hardmon
Candace R. Hayden
Melida A. Heien
Graham Holt
Robert N. Hood
V▲ Stephen R. Irwin
Michele J. Jacobs
Tenisha S. Jacobs
* Tiffany T. Jefferson
Seth J. Johnson
Arin B. Jones
Jason L. Keith
* Emily R. Kerns
* Kellyn S. Kincaid
* Robert G. Kulik
Kaisorn Limthong
Raymond Tyrone Littles
Amanda M. Lyons
Charles A. Malalah
Donya M. Strong
Laurice C. McClain
Nancy R. McIntyre
Nathan L. McKinney
Rolanda L. McKoy
Aliya L. McNeill
* Bethanie A. Mickles
Neil D. Miles
Jeffrey L. Nieman
Shannon N. Nutting
Steven R. Parker
Missy M. Phelps
♦ Laura A. Price
• Blair E. Propst
Melinda L. Quick
* Shavonnie R. Ray
♦ Amanda J. Reeder
* J. Michael Ricks
Darrell L. Robinson
* Benjamin M. Royster
Michael R. Shay
Tracy C. Shope
Maurice R. Smith
Shelena G. Smith
♦ Eugene H. Soar
* Julie A. Somers
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Walter H. Swanson
* Barbara Szombatfalvy
* Christina A. Thompson
Marian S. Thompson
Aija Tingling
Bruce L. Tyler
Tou T. Vang
Precious L. Vines
Mark A. Ward
Michael D. Waters
Shan-Tika Watkins
Emily C. White
Connie M. Whitener
Cory A. Williams
* Holly D. Williamson
* Bryan D. Wilson
Norman E. Wilson
♦ Timothy E. Wipperman
Keino Young
Tashia M. Zeigler

V *Valedictorian*

S *Salutatorian*

▲ *Summa Cum Laude*

♦ *Magna Cum Laude*

* *Cum Laude*

• *JD/MBA*

* *JD/MLS*

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G.K. Butterfield '74 is a native of eastern North Carolina. His undergraduate studies at North Carolina Central University were interrupted when he was drafted into the U.S. Army. Serving in the Army as a personnel specialist, Butterfield was honorably discharged two years later with the rank of Specialist E-4.

Butterfield returned to North Carolina Central University and graduated with degrees in sociology and political science. He then graduated with a J.D. from North Carolina Central University School of Law before entering a private law practice until he was elected to the North Carolina Superior Court bench in November 1988.

Butterfield served as a resident superior court judge for twelve years before being appointed to the Supreme Court of North Carolina by Governor Michael F. Easley '76. Butterfield was defeated in the following election and subsequently appointed as a special superior court judge where he served until stepping down early in 2004 for his successful run for Congress. Butterfield is a past president of the North Carolina Association of Black Lawyers and he filed several successful voting rights lawsuits that resulted in the election of black elected officials in eastern North Carolina.

Butterfield was elected with 71% of the vote in a special election in July 2004 and serves as a member of the House Committee on Agriculture and the House Armed Services Committee. In addition, Butterfield also serves on the prestigious Democratic Steering and Policy Committee.