SETTING THE BAR: Louisiana State Bar Association **Pre-Law Conference**

This workshop will enlighten college students on the law school admissions process and provide helpful tips to effectively navigate that process and tackle the Law School Admissions Test (LSAT). The first day of the program will consist of a series of information sessions from key admissions personnel from area law schools, who will share essential information on applications, resumes, personal statements, and financial aid. A representative from Kaplan will share tips on preparing for and taking the LSAT. Finally, students will be exposed to a mock law school class. Day two of the workshop will give students the opportunity to take the LSAT under normal testing conditions/times. Students who attend both days of the program will be entered into a raffle for a \$1,600 tuition scholarship from Kaplan.

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To receive additional information, please contact Kelly McNeil Legier (Kelly.Legier@lsba.org; (504) 619-0129) or Bonnie DeSalle (bmdesalle@gmail.com; (504) 906-8776). Lunch provided to those RSVP'd by January 24th.



Saturday, February 1, 2014

Check-In (8:45am-9:00am)

Welcome (9:00am-9:10am)

- Dean María Pabón López, Loyola University New Orleans College of Law
- ▶ President, A.P. Tureaud Chapter, Black Law Student Association

Application Readiness Workshop (9:10am-9:50am)

Students will hear from Dean of Admissions/Assistant Dean of Admissions from area law schools.

Personal Statement Workshop & Resume Workshop (9:50am-10:40am)

► Students will hear from the experts on personal statement do's and don't's. Additionally, students who timely submit their personal statements will have their personal statements returned by February 15th with feedback. Career Services advisors will share with students the do's and don't's regarding résumés as well as sample résumés and cover letters.

Tour of the Loyola Law School (10:40am-11:00am)

Lunch/Brunch (11:00am-11:45am) (<u>A light lunch will be provided for those who pre-register by January 24th.</u>) ► Keynote Speaker: Hon. Karen Wells Roby, Magistrate Judge, United States District Court, Eastern District of LA

Financial Aid & Scholarship Workshop (11:45am-12:15pm)

► A representative from a university financial aid office will educate students on financial aid options, applications, and deadlines to finance their law school education. Students will learn the difference between government-financed student loans and private law schools and limitations regarding student loan financing.

Mock Law School Class (12:15pm-1:00pm)

Students will attend a *mock* law school class presented by an area law school professor analyzing real cases and the Socratic method. Student will be exposed to the methodology and feel of law school.

Break (1:00pm-1:20pm)

Law Student Panels (1:20pm-2:20pm)

Two panels of law students from Loyola's and Tulane's Black Law Student Associations will share their law school experiences, tips on surviving law school, and the benefits of networking. Students will have an opportunity to ask candid questions that can increase their chances of a successful matriculation through law school.

Break (2:20pm-2:30pm)

Practical Tips for Surviving the LSAT (2:30pm-3:30pm)

Students will receive practical tips on preparing for and taking the LSAT.

Closing Remarks (3:30pm-3:45pm)

Meet and Greet Social Gathering (3:45pm-4:15pm)

Saturday, February 15, 2014

Check-In (8:30am-8:50am)

Welcome (8:50am-9:00am)

▶ President, Tulane University Black Law Student Association

LSAT Test (9:00am-12:30pm) (administered under official timed conditions)

Lunch (12:30pm-1:00pm) (<u>A light lunch will be provided for those who pre-register by February 8th.</u>)

Post Test De-Briefing (1:00pm-1:45pm)

Closing Remarks & Raffle for Kaplan Scholarship (1:45pm-2:00pm)

Tour of the Tulane Law School (2:00pm-3:00pm)