FIFTH ANNUAL LECTURE ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND GLOBAL JUSTICE

CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL LAW AND JUSTICE (CILJ)

Florida A&M University
College of Law
Orlando, Florida
Room 376

Wednesday April 1, 2015
4:30 – 5:45 p.m.
WELCOME

We welcome and thank you for attending the 5th Annual Lecture on Human Rights and Global Justice. The purpose of the Annual Lecture is to invite a noted lawyer, academician, or policy-maker to address contemporary human rights and global justice issues at Florida A&M College of Law each year. Professor Marcella David, Provost of Florida A&M University, will deliver this year's lecture titled, "How to Become a Real-Life Human Rights Activist."

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DEDICATION

In memory of Paul "P.J." Barco

A prominent St. Petersburg civic leader, human rights activist and 1940 FAMU graduate.

Paul "PJ" Barco was born in 1916 into one of the original Black American families of St. Petersburg. As his family emphasized the value of high education, he enrolled in the mid-1930s at Florida A&M in Tallahassee, graduating in 1940. It was in college that he commenced with activism on human rights issues, being one of the noted "FAMU 35" group which staged protests against certain discriminatory practices in agriculture. During World War II, he went on to serve in the United States Army, and following the war, opened his own business—a grocery store in the heart of St. Petersburg’s African-American community. The business evolved into a local landmark, with Mr. Barco establishing himself by the 1950s as a community leader and respected activist for equality and human rights. In his later years, he took a strong stance against practices of a government agency which effectively blighted one of St. Petersburg’s oldest historic African-American neighborhoods. He challenged those actions as wrongful and racially-biased and ultimately prevailed against the agency in the Florida Supreme Court. Last year, on April 8, 2014, Mr. Barco passed away at 97 years of age.
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The Center for International Law and Justice (CILJ) at Florida A&M College of Law seeks to develop scholarly, educational, and practice-orientated activities for students and faculty. The CILJ endeavors to be the nation’s leading center of excellence in research, training and advocacy in the international and comparative law of developing nations.

The CILJ has developed an array of scholarly, educational and pragmatic initiatives that complement its mission and objectives.

- International Law Scholars Program
- International Law Track
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- Certificate in Human Rights and Global Justice Studies
- International Law Internships Program
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- Study Abroad Opportunities
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- NOAA-ECSC Fellowship Program in Ocean and Coastal Law and Policy
- Environment, Development & Justice Project

For additional information, please contact Professor Randall S. Abate, Director of the Center for International Law and Justice, at randall.abate@famu.edu.
PROGRAM

4:00-4:30  REGISTRATION
Location: Outside the Lecture Room 376

4:30-4:35  WELCOME
Dean LeRoy Pernell

4:35-4:40  DEDICATION
Sam Mandelbaum, Esq.

4:45-5:30  ANNUAL LECTURE
“How to Become a Real-Life Human Rights Activist”

Provost Marcella David

5:30-5:45  Q & A and CLOSING REMARKS.

Prof. Randall S. Abate
Director, Center for International Law & Justice
MARCELLA DAVID
Provost, Florida A&M University

Marcella David is FAMU's Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs and Professor of Law in the FAMU College of Law. Provost David joined FAMU in February 2015, leaving a distinguished career at The University of Iowa, where she was Professor of Law & International Studies and Associate Dean for the Iowa College of Law.

Provost David earned a B.S. in Computer & Systems Engineering from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, New York in 1986, and her J.D. from The University of Michigan Law School in 1989. She clerked for Judge Louis H. Pollak of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, was a litigation associate at the New York law firm of Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison. She began her academic career at Iowa in 1995, and has visited at The University of Chicago and University of Pennsylvania law schools.

Provost David has taught public international law, human rights, national security law, and humanitarian law (the law of armed conflict). Her research interests include the use of economic and other sanctions, international criminal law, and questions related to international organizations. From 1991-92, she studied Human Rights and Comparative Law as a Ford Foundation Fellow in Public International Law at the Harvard Law School. In that capacity, she participated in an investigatory mission to Iraq, traveled through South Africa, and researched the impact of economic sanctions in both countries. Provost David is a past member and past chair of the Governing Board of the Worker Rights Consortium, a non-governmental organization that assists in ensuring that university-logoed goods are manufactured under conditions that respect the rights of workers. She has also served on the Board of Directors for Diversity Focus, a non-profit organization that seeks to promote diversity and inclusion in the Iowa City-Cedar Rapids corridor. She served for more than five years in The University of Iowa's central administration, in roles including the university's first Special Assistant to the President for Equal Opportunity and Diversity and Associate Provost for Diversity (from 2006-2009).

Her international destinations include Iraq, South Africa, Europe, India, Hong Kong, New Zealand, Australia, Thailand, Cambodia, Uganda, Antarctica, the Arctic, The Galapagos Islands, and Cuba, and her hobbies include travel, photography, and knitting.
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