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## **FAMU College Of Law Dean LeRoy Pernell Speaks at the 2009 5th Annual Fred Gray Sr. Civil Rights Symposium**

**Orlando, Fla.** – Florida A&M University (FAMU) College of Law Dean LeRoy Pernell and Professor of Law Patricia Broussard were among the distinguished speakers at the 5th Annual Fred Gray Sr. Civil Rights Symposium at Faulkner University’s Thomas Goode Jones School of Law in Montgomery, Alabama. The Black Law Students Association, the American Constitution Society, and the Faulkner Law Review hosted the symposium, which was held on Wednesday, October 21, 2009

This year’s Fred Gray Sr. Civil Rights symposium addressed *The Obama Effect on the Legal Profession*, touching on the historic election of an African-American lawyer and statesman to the U.S. Presidency. Dean Pernell and Professor Broussard were joined by jurists and academics from around the country to examine if there truly is an “Obama-Effect” on the legal profession, while scrutinizing the role of race and gender in an array of issues facing minority lawyers serving on the bench, in public office, in academia, and in private practice.

For more information about the symposium, please contact Victoria Relf at Victoria.relf@faulkner.edu or at (334) 590-4665, or Mildred Graham at the number above.

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