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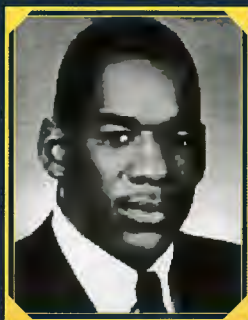
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*Alden J. "Butch"
Carpenter*

MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP GALA



FRIDAY, MARCH 22ND, 2019



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March 22, 2019

We are excited to welcome you to the 41st annual Alden J. "Butch" Carpenter Memorial Scholarship Gala. The Black Law Students Association (BLSA) and the Butch Carpenter Memorial Scholarship Gala Committee are proud to host this special night.

Michigan Law is such an extraordinary place because of the sense of community that pervades the student body, as well as the lifelong affiliation that alumni feel for the Law School and for each other. We are honored to be able to bring students and alumni together to celebrate the life and legacy of one of our brightest stars, Alden J. "Butch" Carpenter.

We thank all those who participated in making the 41st annual Gala a success.

Sincerely Yours,

The 2019 Alden J. "Butch" Carpenter Memorial Scholarship Gala Committee



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Judge Harry T. Edwards, '65
*Senior United States Circuit Judge of the
United States Court of Appeals for the
District of Columbia Circuit*

moderated by

Judge Myra Selby, '80
*Partner, Ice Miller LLP & former associate
justice of the Indiana Supreme Court*

PRESENTATION OF THE ALDEN J. "BUTCH" CARPENTER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

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HIGH AS THE LISTENING SKIES,

LET IT RESOUND LOUD AS THE ROLLING SEA

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SING A SONG FULL OF HOPE THAT THE PRESENT HAS BROUGHT US;

FACING THE RISING SUN OF OUR NEW DAY BEGUN,

LET US MARCH ON TILL VICTORY IS WON

41 YEARS HONORING THE LEGACY OF *Alden J. "Butch" Carpenter*

Alden J. "Butch" Carpenter was born in Flint, Michigan and graduated from Flint Southwestern High School. He received a scholarship to the University of Michigan, where he excelled academically and athletically. For three years, Butch started as a defensive end for the Michigan Wolverines and was co-captain of an undefeated football team.

After graduating from the University of Michigan, Butch worked briefly in Detroit before returning to Ann Arbor to join Michigan Law in 1977. In law school, Butch demonstrated the same leadership skills, aptitude, and commitment that marked his undergraduate years. His natural gifts made Butch an effective advocate for social justice. Believing that the development of economically disadvantaged communities was greatly dependent upon businesspersons and lawyers, Butch intended to dedicate his career to the survival and growth of such communities. Those acquainted with him were impressed with his enthusiastic spirit and his singular, driven purpose to use his professional talents for the benefit of others.



At the age of 28, Butch tragically passed on February 2, 1978 after collapsing while playing basketball. To some, his untimely death meant the loss of a fine athlete, to others, the loss of a future legal star. But to all, Butch's passing meant the loss of a great man.

In 1999, Alden J. "Butch" Carpenter was inducted into the Greater Flint Afro-American Hall of Fame with the following headline: "Alden J. 'Butch' Carpenter made his mark in Flint's sports history. Gone but not forgotten."

On February 21, 1978, recognizing the importance of Butch's chosen life's work, the Black Law Students Alliance (BLSA) at Michigan Law voted unanimously to honor his memory and vision by establishing the Alden J. "Butch" Carpenter Memorial Scholarship Fund. The Fund's purpose is to support law students pursuing the same high level of social commitment that Butch demonstrated during his life.

Each year, BLSA hosts this memorial banquet to promote the Fund and to reflect upon the principles that Butch personified. As a part of the annual banquet, the Fund awards scholarships to outstanding first-year BLSA members who have demonstrated commitment to combining business and law to promote community development. Last year, the Fund awarded a total of \$60,000 in scholarships to three deserving students.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Judge Harry T. Edwards, '65

The Honorable Harry T. Edwards is a Senior Circuit Judge on the United States Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit. He was appointed to the court in 1980 and served as Chief Judge from 1994 to 2001. Since 1990, he has taught at NYU School of Law, where he is a Professor of Law.



While serving on the bench, he has co-authored five books, the most recent of which is *Federal Standards of Review* (co-authored with Linda Elliott). He has also published extensively on the topics of forensic science, legal education, judicial decision-making and the judicial process, federalism, judicial administration, professionalism, labor law, equal employment opportunity, labor arbitration, higher education law, and alternative dispute resolution. His article, *The Growing Disjunction Between Legal Education and the Legal Profession*, 91 MICH. L. REV. 34 (1992), is recognized as one of the most cited law review articles of all time. He Co-Chaired the National Academy of Sciences Committee on Identifying the Needs of the Forensic Science Community, which published the seminal report on *Strengthening Forensic Science in the United States* (2009). In 2016, he

served as Co-Chair of the Senior Advisors to the President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology, which published a Report to the President - *Forensic Science in Criminal Courts: Ensuring Scientific Validity of Feature-Comparison Methods* (2016). He just recently finished his term as a member of the Committee on Science, Technology, and Law at the National Academy of Sciences. In April, Judge Edwards will receive the Champion of Justice award for his work on National Academy of Sciences' Committee on Identifying the Needs of the Forensic Science Community.

Prior to his appointment, Judge Edwards practiced law in Chicago with Seyfarth, Shaw, Fairweather & Geraldson from 1965 to 1970 and was a tenured member of the faculties at the University of Michigan Law School, where he taught from 1970-1975 and 1977-1980, and at the Harvard Law School, where he taught from 1975-1977. He also taught at the Harvard Institute for Educational Management between 1976- 1982.

Judge Edwards received a Bachelor of Sciences from Cornell University in 1962 and a J.D. from the University of Michigan Law School in 1965.

MODERATOR

Myra Selby, '80

The Honorable Myra Selby, former associate justice of the Indiana Supreme Court, currently works as a Partner at Lee Miller in Indianapolis, Indiana. Her work focuses on corporate internal investigations, appellate practice, compliance counseling, complex litigation, and risk management.

The Honorable Selby has the distinction of being both the first woman and the first African American to serve as an associate justice on the Indiana Supreme Court. While on the Court from January 1995-1999, Judge Selby participated in several landmark decisions involving state property taxes, insurance, and tort law reform. She authored more than 100 majority opinions receiving national recognition. Selby spearheaded efforts to increase the Court's accessibility to the public by expanding education and outreach activities. In 1999, the Indiana Supreme Court appointed Judge Selby to chair its Commission on Race and Gender Fairness. The commission is charged with ensuring fairness and diversity in the legal system. She continues her tradition of service to the commission as a current member.



Prior to her appointment to the Court, Myra was director of health care policy for the state of Indiana, where she was responsible for policy development and the execution of state health care programs, including Medicaid managed care.

Myra received her Bachelor of Arts from Kalamazoo College in 1977 and a J.D. from the University of Michigan Law School in 1980.

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