

## Dean, College of Law

Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University (FAMU) invites applications and nominations for a visionary leader to serve as Dean of the College of Law.

The Dean of the College of Law reports to the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, and serves as the chief academic and administrative officer for the College of Law. The Dean's responsibilities include promoting and fostering excellence in teaching, research and service; overseeing faculty hirings, promotion and tenure; overseeing the college's professional and support staff, the law library, and student admissions, financial aid, and career placement; representing the College of Law within the university community and to external constituencies, including alumni and members of the bench and Bar; preparing and administrating an efficient budget for the College of Law; and developing new initiatives designed to educate lawyers for a rapidly-changing global society. Responsibilities also include the enhancement of the faculty's intellectual activities and development of necessary resources (financial, technological, and physical space) to support and improve the college's curricular and research programs.

## **Qualifications**

- An earned J.D. or its equivalent from an accredited institution;
- Five years of demonstrated success as an administrator/manager;
- Significant teaching, scholarly, or professional achievement in law;
- A record of service, fundraising or development experience;
- An ability to create an open organizational climate through shared governance;
- Excellent communication, interpersonal, decision-making, and leadership skills;
- Evidence of commitment to and management of diversity;
- Demonstrated utilization of data-based decision-making;
- Knowledge of the ABA Accreditation process;
- Knowledge of marketing, recruiting, and admissions processing, and willingness to commit to the university's motto of "Excellence with Caring."

Candidates should have the capacity to engage in innovative curriculum and program development to meet the demands of a transforming legal market. The ability to maintain and further develop good relations with legislators, the Bar, state agencies, alumni, and donors is crucial.

The re-established FAMU College of Law opened its doors in 2002 and is now housed in a state-of-the-art facility in downtown Orlando's Parramore neighborhood, just steps from the George C. Young United States Courthouse and Federal Building and mere blocks from governmental offices, major law firms, large corporations, and legal services agencies. The College's prime location provides students with direct access to the area's largest employers of individuals with law degrees, offering students and graduates ample avenues to gain practical experience in the legal profession.

Downtown Orlando is an ideal setting for the College of Law and its students. It is home to some of the region's largest law firms, the Orange County Courthouse, the United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida, and numerous state, county and city government agencies, all of which are within easy walking distance of the campus. The location provides opportunities for clinical and pro bono activities as well as observing legal proceedings.

FAMU is a public, fully accredited member of the State University System of Florida (SUS) and the American Bar Association. FAMU is an 1890 land-grant, doctoral/research institution and is the premier university among historically black colleges and universities. Prominently located on "the highest of seven hills" in Florida's capital city of Tallahassee, FAMU remains the only historically black university in the twelve member SUS.

Greenwood/Asher & Associates, Inc. is assisting FAMU in the search for the Dean. Applications and nominations are now being accepted. Review and screening of the application materials will continue until an appointment is made. For best consideration please submit application materials as MS Word attachments prior to **July 17, 2015**. Application materials should include a curriculum vitae, a letter addressing how the candidate's experiences match the position requirements, and contact information for at least five references. Individuals wishing to nominate a candidate may contact the search firm via phone or in writing and provide the name, position, address, and telephone number of the nominee. A letter addressing how the candidate's experiences match the position requirements is recommended.

Applications and letters of nominations should be submitted to:
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For more information about Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University and the College of Law, please visit:

http://www.famu.edu/http://law.famu.edu/

Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University is an equal opportunity/equal access University. Successful candidate is subject to a pre-employment screening which includes a review of criminal records, reference checks and verification of education.

If an accommodation due to a disability is needed to apply for this position, please call 850-599-3076.

This search is being conducted under Florida law, including the Sunshine law and public records law.