

## In Celebration of National Pro Bono Week 2010 Cumberland School of Law Salutes

## Charles T. Greene

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## A Message to Law Students and New Lawyers

Obviously considered a "Young Lawyer," that designation has not prevented Charles from pursuing pro bono opportunities. He has represented evicted tenants through Legal Services of Alabama and indigent clients in securing divorces through the Birmingham Young Lawyers' Association and the Birmingham Volunteer Lawyers' Program. Charles has also volunteered with the Birmingham H.E.L.P (Homeless Experience Legal Protection) clinic and is representing a woman in her Rule 32 Petition (a death penalty appeal). According to Charles, "in each of these settings, I have met fascinating people in the midst of the worst times of their lives. It is always a privilege to join them in their fight and to witness the tremendous strength and dignity of suffering people. Because of each of them, I view poverty and the ability/duty of lawyers to create an even playing field in a much different light." Charles credits Lightfoot, Franklin & White for their generous support of his pro bono endeavors. A fellow Birmingham attorney stated, "Charles has done more pro bono work in his threeyear career than many lawyers do in 30-years!"