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Mr. Filler is a Professor of Law at the University of Alabama where he teaches courses in criminal law and procedure. He joined the faculty in 1998. Professor Filler received an A.B. from Brown University and a J.D. from New York University School of Law. At NYU, Professor Filler won first place in the school's Orison S. Marden Moot Court Competition and was an editor of the Law Review. After graduation, he clerked for Judge J. Dickson Phillips, Jr. of the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit. He worked as an associate at the New York firm Debevoise & Plimpton, practicing in both the corporate and litigation groups, and subsequently practiced as a staff attorney with the Defender Association of Philadelphia and the Bronx Defenders.

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Ms. Adams is an associate at the Birmingham law firm of Maynard, Cooper & Gale, P.C., where she practices in the labor and employment section. She is a member of the Alabama and Mississippi State Bars and the Birmingham and American Bar Associations. Ms. Adams received her B.A. *cum laude* from Auburn University and her J.D. from Vanderbilt University Law School, where she was the recipient of the Cortner Award for first place in the intramural moot court competition in 2001 and recognized as the Most Outstanding Moot Court Officer in 2002.

Judge John L. Carroll

Judge Carroll is Dean and Professor of Law at Samford University's Cumberland School of Law, where his teaching and scholarship focus on complex litigation, civil procedure, and federal courts. Prior to joining Cumberland School of Law, Judge Carroll was a U.S. Magistrate Judge for the United States District Court for the Middle District of Alabama. He has extensive litigation experience with major civil rights class action litigation and complex criminal defense, and has twice given oral arguments before the United States Supreme Court in *Hopper v. Evans*, 456 U.S. 605. (1982), and *Baldwin v. Alabama*, 472 U.S. 372 (1985). Judge Carroll also previously worked at the Southern Poverty Law Center in Montgomery, Alabama as Legal Director and as an attorney. He has held adjunct and faculty positions at Georgia State University School of Law, the University of Alabama School of Law, and Mercer University School of Law. Judge Carroll received his B.A. from Tufts University, his J.D. *magna cum laude* from Cumberland School of Law, and an LL.M. from Harvard Law School.

William N. Clark

Mr. Clark is a Partner at the Birmingham law firm of Redden, Mills & Clark, where he practices in the areas of criminal defense, civil litigation, family law, personal injury, employment discrimination and appellate litigation. Mr. Clark is also a retired Army Reserve Major General. He served as President of the Birmingham Bar Association in 1994 and as President of the Alabama State Bar from 2003 to 2004. Mr. Clark was previously an adjunct professor at the University of Alabama School of Law and was a law clerk to the Honorable Walter P. Gewin of the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit. He is a graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point and

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Arthur Green, Jr.

Mr. Green is currently the District Attorney for the Tenth Circuit-Bessemer Division in Alabama. Mr. Green also serves as President of the Board of the Bessemer Cutoff Advocacy Center and as a Board Member of the Bessemer Chamber of Commerce and the Bessemer Y.M.C.A. He did his undergraduate studies at Auburn University and received his J.D. from the University of Alabama School of Law.

Richard S. Jaffe

Mr. Jaffe is the owner of and senior attorney with the Birmingham law firm of Jaffe, Strickland & Drennan. He has handled over fifty capital cases, nineteen of which have been tried to conclusion. None of his clients have received a death sentence. In Alabama, five Death Row inmates have been exonerated and are now free. Mr. Jaffe was lead counsel in three of those cases: *State of Alabama v. Randal Padgett*, *State of Alabama v. James (Bo) Cochran*, and *State of Alabama v. Gary Drinkard*, and his firm successfully represented Wesley Quick, the 5th exoneree, on appeal. He is a member of the New York, Washington, D.C., Georgia, and Alabama Bars. He has been board certified as a NBTA criminal trial specialist since 1984. He is currently a board member of the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers. In 1996, the Alabama Bar Association awarded him the Clarence Darrow Award for contributions to indigent defense.

Senator Henry “Hank” Sanders

Senator Sanders is currently serving his sixth term representing the 23rd District in the Alabama State Senate. He is one of the founding partners of Chestnut, Sanders, Sanders, Pettaway & Campbell, LLC in Selma, Alabama. He holds membership in the Campaign for a New South, C.A.R.E. Alabama New South Coalition, the National Conference of Black Lawyers, the National Bar Association, the American Bar Association, and the Alabama Lawyers Association. Senator Sanders is a graduate of Talladega College and Harvard Law School.

Deanna L. Weidner

Ms. Weidner recently joined the Birmingham law firm of Waller Lansden Dortch & Davis, LLC. In 2004, Ms. Weidner graduated *summa cum laude* from the University of Alabama School

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