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Howard University School of Law to Host  
***Heirs of the Dream***  
**Friday, January 16, 2009, 7:00-11:00 pm.**

A Pre-Inauguration Champagne Reception in Honor of President-Elect Barack Obama and  
Honoring Howard Law School Alumni and Faculty

Washington, DC – To recognize the historic nomination of Barack Obama as the 44<sup>th</sup> President of the United States of America, Howard University School of Law is hosting *Heirs of the Dream*, a pre-inauguration champagne reception to be held on January 16 at the law school. The event will honor Howard Law School faculty and alumni who accompanied President-elect Obama on his incredible journey and who played integral roles in his transition process. “Howard Law School continues to be at the forefront of justice, leadership, and service,” said Kurt L. Schmoke, dean of the Howard University School of Law. “It is more than fitting that these incredible honorees be recognized for their steadfast commitment to these principles and for the enormous contributions they’ve made to the Obama campaign,” he said. Howard Law Alumni Roland Burris ’63, and former U.S. Senator Harris Wofford ’54, are among several notable alumni who will attend the reception. The celebration will also recognize the 80<sup>th</sup> birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

**The Honorees for Heirs of the Dream are:**

**Aderson Francois**

*Howard University Professor of Law and Member of the Obama-Biden Transition Team*

**Orlan Johnson, HU Law Class of 1987**

*National Finance Committee*

**D. Paul Monteiro, HU Law Class of 2007**

*Deputy Director for Religious Affairs*

**Karen Richardson, HU Law Class of 2002**

*Obama Campaign Policy Director*

For media inquiries or to schedule interviews with honorees and guests, please contact Jacqueline Young at (202) 806-8084. Visit the law school Web site at [www.law.howard.edu](http://www.law.howard.edu) for additional information and event updates. The event will be held at the Howard University School of Law, 2900 Van Ness Street, NW, Washington, DC 20008, from 7:00-11:00 pm.