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WCL's African-American community and its friends and supporters will hear from three JD recipients whose legal training has taken them along sometimes traditional, other times non-traditional, but always interesting career paths.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

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## Schedule of Events

- 10:00 Art Exhibition Opens *Room 602*
- 11:00 Morning Program *Room 603*  
Invocation  
Conference Overview  
Dean's Welcome
- Keynote Speaker  
**Craig Thompson, Esq.**  
Law offices of Peter Angelos  
Author, Radio Host
- 12:15 Awards Luncheon *Dining Room*  
Keynote Speaker  
**William Martin, Esq.**, Partner  
Blank Rome LLP
- Awards Presentations  
North Star Award  
Hirston Alumni Awards  
Rising Star Award
- 2:30 Afternoon Program *Room 603*  
Keynote Speaker  
**Warren Brown, Esq.**, Owner  
CakeLove and Love Café
- 3:30 Closing of Formal Program
- Silent Auction *Student Lounge*  
Dessert Reception  
(Featuring CakeLove items)

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THE RISING STAR AWARDEE  
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## Biographies

**Craig Thompson** is an attorney with the law offices of Baltimore Orioles owner Peter Angelos. He is a highly sought-after motivational speaker; host of a weekly radio show entitled "The Front Page"; and author of three published works, including *The ABCs of Black History: A Children's Guide*.

**Billy Martin** is a seasoned trial lawyer and legal counselor with more than 25 years' experience. Before entering private practice, he had an extensive public service career that included local prosecutorial work and senior positions with the Justice Dept. and the office of the U.S. Attorney for D.C. Mr. Martin also maintains an active sports and entertainment practice.

**Warren Brown** believes that "Passion is commitment without condition." As founder and owner of D.C.-based CakeLove and Love Café since 2001, Mr. Brown lives by these words in bringing fresh, natural food--with particular emphasis on delightfully decadent desserts--to a rapidly-growing and enthusiastic clientele.

**North Star Award Recipient: Rhonda VanLowe** is legal counsel for Rolls-Royce, NA, where she oversees the U.S. Treasury and Sales Finance Groups. Ms. VanLowe is well known to the law school community through her work as director of the Legal Analysis Study Group (LASG).