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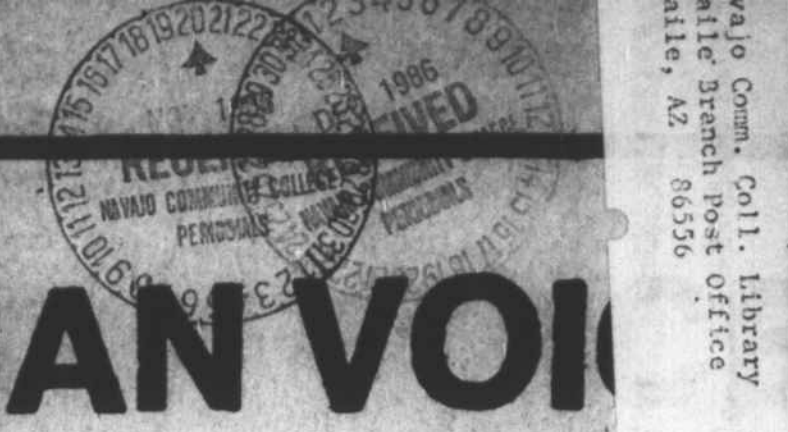
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OLENE SAMPSON SWORN IN TO N.C. BAR



Olene Carter Sampson was sworn in to the North Carolina Bar on Thursday, September 25, 1986. Ceremonies were held at the Mecklenburg County Superior Court in Charlotte, North Carolina. Judge James B. McMullan of the Federal District Courts, Judge Francis Parker of the State Supreme Court and Judge Marvin Gray of the Mecklenburg County Superior Courts officiated. Following the ceremony, a reception was held at the Adams Mark Hotel.

Mrs. Sampson received her law degree from Wake Forest University and is currently employed by the law firm of Ferguson, Stein, Watt, Wallas and Adams. Mrs. Sampson is the daughter of Mrs. Mary E. Carter and the late John L. Carter of Pembroke, NC. She is married to James M. Sampson and they reside in Matthews, NC with their son Jaime and daughter Jama.

Mrs. Sampson is shown above with Judge James B. McMullan.

As Unveilings Take Place 47 YEARS OF SERVICE REPRESENTED BY PORTRAITS OF PSU CHIEF EXECUTIVES

by Gene Warren

Pembroke-Five handsomely framed portraits of chief executives of PSU were unveiled Oct. 15, representing 47 years of service as an institution which is celebrating its 100th birthday this academic year.

As the coverings were removed from each, it was an emotional moment for those in the audience who have known or worked with these men—especially the families there or those chief executives.

Four of the five chief executives are deceased. They are Rev. W.L. Moore, the first headmaster from 1887-90 of what was then Croatan Normal School; Dr. Ralph Wellons, the school's first president from 1942-56; Dr. Walter Gale, president from 1956-62; and Dr. English Jones, president and then chancellor from 1962-79.

The present chancellor, Dr. Paul Givens, who has served in that capacity since 1979, listened as the records of his predecessors and his own administration were recounted.

Moore's grandson and granddaughter, Dr. Adolph Dial and Deborah Sampson, were present for the honor of this man, one of the founders of this institution.

Children of Wellons were on hand for the occasion. They were a son, Alfred E. Wellons of New Bern, and two daughters, Rebecca Wellons Rissmiller of Ocala, Fla. and Janet Wellons Smith of Lumberton.

Gale's widow, Dr. Barbara Rausel Gale of Brandywine, MD, was also present.

Family representatives of Givens at the unveiling were his wife, Lee, son Rodney and his wife Susie of Tampa, Fla., son Gregory of Greenville, NC, a daughter Deborah of Charlotte, and Deborah's children, Nikole and Andrew.

After the portraits were all unveiled, the family members of each of those men who have served as chief executives of the institution were asked to stand.

The five portraits will hang in the rotunda of PSU's Sampson Hall Administration Building for all to see.

Painting the portraits were Bill Fields and Tom Moore of Fayetteville and Charles Tucker of Charlotte.

Also on the program was a 28-minute premiere of a PSU centennial video entitled: "Pembroke State University: In A Class By Itself." Prepared by the N.C. Agency for Public Telecommunications in Raleigh, the video was introduced by

Dr. Oscar Patterson, PSU director of telecommunications. Pictured on it at the outset was Mrs. Francesca Adler Loeffke of Fayetteville, a former "Miss PSU" who was "Miss North Carolina" of 1984-85. Mrs. Loeffke told how much attending PSU meant to her. From that point there were many scenes and activities of the school with different PSU faculty and administrative members and students doing the narration. The video closed following remarks by Chancellor Givens with a backdrop of the university seal.

The video will be made available throughout the Carolinas and Virginia and public service announcements will be made from it for 30 television stations in those three states.

Patterson, in introducing the video, said: "For those who ask what does PSU look like, here it is."

The video presentation received an ovation at its conclusion. Ben Kittner & Mike Stroud of the NC Agency for Public Telecommunications were present for the premiere, and received warm congratulations.

It was another big day as PSU continues to celebrate its founding.



Standing by this new portrait of the late Dr. English E. Jones, who served as president and then chancellor of PSU from 1962-79, are members of his family: (left to right) wife Margaret, sons Steve and Randall, and daughter, Judy. The painting was unveiled at a special PSU centennial program Oct. 15.



Several members of Chancellor Paul Givens' family were present for the unveiling of his and other former PSU chief executive officers' portraits Oct. 15 at PSU. Left to right are: son Rodney and his wife Susie of Tampa, Fla., daughter Deborah of Charlotte, son Gregory of Greenville, Chancellor and Mrs. Givens and two of their grandchildren, Andrew and Nikole.



Present Oct. 15 for the unveiling of this portrait of Dr. Ralph Wellons, the first president of PSU, are his two daughters—Janet Wellons Smith of Lumberton and Rebecca Wellons Rissmiller of Ocala, Fla.—and Wellons' son, Alfred E. Wellons of New Bern. Dr. Wellons served as president from 1942-56. Portraits of five chief executive officers of PSU were unveiled in the special ceremony.



Dr. Adolph Dial and Deborah Sampson admire a new portrait of their grandfather, the Rev. W.L. Moore, which was unveiled during a special PSU centennial program Oct. 15. Moore was one of the founders of PSU and served as its first headmaster from 1887-90.

local bulletin

NC COMMISSION OF INDIAN AFFAIRS SPONSOR OF EXHIBIT AT NC STATE FAIR

The North Carolina Commission of Indian Affairs is sponsoring a special Native American exhibit at the N.C. State Fair. The exhibit is displayed at the Geodesic Dome at Gate 2, south of Dorton Arena.

"We are proud and excited to have an opportunity to showcase the Native American art," said A. Bruce Jones, executive director of N.C. Commission of Indian Affairs. "The exhibit at the fair is part of a year-long observance of Native Americans by the State."

The exhibit is noted as one of the major exhibits at the State Fair.

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PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCE NIGHT AT WEST ROBESON

West Robeson Senior High School will have a Parent/Teacher Conference on Monday, October 27, 1986 from 6-8 p.m. The first reporting period is over and report cards were to be given to students October 20. Report cards are being done by computer this year in Robeson County High Schools for the first time. Due to some unexpected problems with the new procedure, report cards are not ready as scheduled. Grades should go home before the scheduled parent/teacher conference night.

Each parent of West Robeson is encouraged to come and discuss student program progress with teachers.

Minority Suit Seeks To Halt Election Of Judges

By DIANE LUBER
Staff Writer

Nine blacks and one Native American have asked a federal judge in Raleigh to halt the November election of Superior Court judges until a trial is held to determine whether the method of electing judges discriminates against minorities.

The request, filed Thursday in U.S. District Court, is part of a class-action lawsuit that challenges the statewide election of Superior Court judges and the existence of certain multijudge judicial districts.

It calls for district elections of Superior Court judges and the creation of seven predominantly black or American Indian districts that would elect eight Superior Court judges. Some of the districts that the lawsuit seeks to have redrawn encompass Wake, Mecklenburg, Durham, Guilford and Forsyth counties.

"Basically we're seeking a system which would allow blacks and native Americans to elect judges of their choice," Charles B. Robson Jr. of Raleigh, one of the attorneys representing the plaintiffs, said.

"We're seeking ... to block the Nov. 4 election so that the

plaintiffs could have that right as quickly as possible, the difficulty being that judges will be elected on Nov. 4 who would hold terms of eight years.

"Our motion says the right to this relief is so clear that the court ought to go ahead and do that rather than waiting until the next election," Robson said.

James M. Wallace Jr., an assistant attorney general who handles election matters, said the attorney general's office will defend the state's judicial election system.

"As far as the request for an injunction is concerned, we will resist that full force," Wallace said.

The lawsuit contends that minorities would have a better chance of electing judges of their choice in district — rather than statewide — elections, especially if some districts are created where non-whites are the majority.

Although the lawsuit addresses racial minorities, it would, if successful, make it easier for political minorities, such as Republicans, to be elected to the Superior Court bench. Registered Democrats outnumber registered Republicans by more than 2 to 1 in

North Carolina.

Only one black — Clifton E. Johnson, who is now a judge on the state Court of Appeals — has been elected a Superior Court judge in this century. No Republicans have been.

Creating districts where blacks, who usually vote Democratic, predominate would decrease the voting strength of Democrats outside those districts and increase the relative voting strength of Republicans.

Twenty-five of the state's 64 Superior Court judgeships are up for election this year. Twenty-two Democrats are running unopposed; one is running head-to-head against a Republican. In Mecklenburg County, two Democrats, including the only black seeking election to the Superior Court bench, are competing with one Republican for two judgeships.

Also filed Thursday was a sworn statement by Theodore S. Arrington, chairman of the Mecklenburg County Board of Elections and political science professor at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte.

Arrington suggests that Northampton, Bertie, Hertford, Halifax, Nash, Edgecombe and Wilson

counties be joined into one judicial district with three Superior Court judges. Within that district, a smaller predominantly nonwhite election district encompassing all of Bertie, Hertford and Northampton and parts of Edgecombe and Halifax counties should be carved out to elect one of the three judges, he said.

He also proposes five predominantly non-white single-judge districts in Wake, Durham, Forsyth, Guilford, Cumberland and Hoke counties.

In Mecklenburg County, Arrington said, a predominantly non-white district can be created where two of the county's five judges would be elected.

Arrington also notes that the district that encompasses Robeson and Scotland counties is predominantly black or Native American.

"Taken together, these majority non-white judicial election districts form a base of nine judicial positions that will assure that blacks have a chance to influence Superior Court elections" if judges are elected by district, Arrington said in his statement.

The lawsuit comes on the heels of a unanimous U.S. Supreme Court decision this year upholding

the redrawing of four of North Carolina's multimember legislative districts into single-member districts. The multimember districts were found to dilute minority voting strength.

The lawsuit also follows a partially successful and still pending legal challenge of Superior Court judge elections by C. Allen Foster, one of Robson's law partners who also is involved in the new lawsuit.

In response to Foster's earlier challenge, the U.S. Justice Department rejected the state's practice of requiring judicial candidates to seek nomination to run for specific, or numbered, seats. The department also rejected the staggered terms for seven judges in six judicial districts.

Numbered seats and the rejected staggered terms prevented minorities from concentrating their votes for minority candidates, the department said.

The General Assembly repealed the numbered-seat requirement during the short session this summer. Attorney General Lacy H. Thornburg has asked the U.S. District Court in the District of Columbia to overrule the department's rulings as to staggered terms.



Shown with this portrait of her late husband, Dr. Walter Gale, is Dr. Barbara Rausel Gale of Brandywine, MD. Gale served as president of Pembroke State from 1956-62. Gale's widow attended the special PSU centennial program honoring former PSU presidents Oct. 15.

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