

## Refusal To Testify

# Judge Hastings Faces Impeachment

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Flanked by two attorneys, William Borders appeared before the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Criminal Justice weighting impeachment charges against Florida Federal Judge Alcee L. Hastings and invoked the constitutional privilege against self incrimination.

Borders, a former prominent Washington, D.C. lawyer who was sentenced to five years in prison in 1982 for conspiring with Hastings to solicit a \$150,000 bribe to reduce a forfeiture judgment against two felons, dramatically declared:  
"I was indicted, and sentenced to five years in prison; paid a \$35,000 fine...served 33 months in prison,

with 27 months on parole. On May 22, 1988, I was released from parole. I have been disbarred. Therefore, I will not answer any questions and invoke the first, fourth, fifth, sixth and eighth amendments under the constitution against self incrimination."  
Cong. John Conyers, Jr. (D., MI) who is chairman of the subcommittee

conducting the impeachment inquiry, said:  
"The Committee did not call you here to embarrass you...We had requested that you appear as a witness but had received no response.

This is the first time we knew of your position. Of course you have the right to invoke the constitutional privilege against self-incrimination. Since the activities were in 1981, it seems the statute of limitations may have run

out. This subcommittee will be required to determine what further action it will take—whether we should seek immunity and compel your testimony. You are excused.  
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**DISCUSSING COMMITMENT**—Michael S. Fields (right), vice president and director of North American Sales and Service for Applied Data Research, Inc., came to Howard University recently to announce a gift to the university of over \$900,000 worth of software. Dr. James E. Cheek (left), president of Howard, praised ADR, saying, "The advancement of higher education depends on the commitment of corporations such as ADR to ensure that the graduates of today are equipped to work with the technology of tomorrow." ADR is a major producer of software for IBM mainframe computers and is headquartered in Princeton, N.J.

## Child Care In Black Community Helps Develop National Agenda

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Behind the closed doors of undisclosed meeting places, and amidst key campaign enthusiasts, political types are setting the tone for the Democratic and Republican policy agendas. While traditionally the Democratic Party has embraced social programs, neither party has implemented a strong quality child care program to solve the growing crisis in America. This is particularly

critical to the development of the black child.  
Advocates of black child development strongly contend that quality child care must be available to all families in need of such services at prices which families can afford.  
"Black families, regardless of their economic status, want the opportunity to raise their children in a protected and healthy environment, exposing them to experiences which will maximize and promote their

developmental potential. When a parent must work or participate in activities which take them away from the child, they want a substitute caregiver to offer their child the same opportunities for healthy growth and development," stated Carla Curtis, policy analyst for the National Black Child Development Institute.

The NBCDI is a national, nonprofit, advocacy organization dedicated to improving the quality of life for black children and youth on the national and local levels, with its primary policy focus in the areas of health, child welfare, education and child care.

The need for child care is not a new phenomenon in the black community, according to G. Niobe Marshall, public policy analyst for NBCDI. "While black women have historical

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## House OKs Price Bill On Banking

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The House Committee on Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs gave its unanimous approval to legislation authored by Fourth District Congressman David Price that will require financial institutions to provide consumers with the full terms and obligations of home equity loans.

Home equity loans, whose popularity has virtually exploded in past months due to provisions in the recent Tax Reform Act, are largely unregulated under present law. By current estimates, American lending institutions hold more than \$200 billion in outstanding debt on home equity loans.

The Price bill, which will shortly go before the full House of Representatives for final approval, amends the federal Truth in Lending Act to require lenders to disclose, prior to payment by consumers of any nonrefundable fees, the annual percentage

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## Jackson Says He's Earned Appraisal As Vice President

TRENTON, N.J. (AP)—The Rev. Jesse Jackson said last Tuesday that he's "earned consideration" to run as the Democrats' vice presidential candidate, but he refused to give up his 11th-hour crusade to become the nation's first black president.

Jackson, campaigning in New Jersey before the state's June 7 primary, also left open the possibility that he might go directly to the floor of the Democratic National Convention in July to fight for issues beyond the vice presidency.

Asked if he would accept becoming Dukakis' running mate, Jackson asserted, "I've earned consideration." Were he to win, he said he would give the same consideration to Massachusetts Gov. Michael Dukakis.

Though Dukakis is a strong frontrunner for the nomination, Jackson said he and the governor must team together to defeat Vice President George Bush, the Republican Party's certain nominee.

"We need each other. We're keenly aware of that. Together, we must use our combined strength to change the course," Jackson said.

The course, Jackson said, is one that he—not Dukakis—has set with his surprisingly successful campaign. Jackson said his "progressive" campaign is centered on a call for "jobs, peace and justice."

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## On Release Program

# Rape Charges Dropped



receiving plaque—Dr. Julius Nimmons, Jr. (center) receives a bronzed plaque from Dr. Prezell R. Robinson, President of Saint Augustine's College (left) as Mrs. Shirley Nimmons looks on approvingly. Nimmons received the award during a Farewell Luncheon given in his honor as he prepares to take the reins as President of Jarvis Christian College in Hawkins, Texas. Nimmons not only served Saint Augustine's but the Raleigh Wake Community as well during his many years in the Raleigh Community.

## SBI Keeps Watch For Jamaican Drug Gangs

One of the nation's most deadly emerging organized crime groups—Jamaican gangs—has begun carving out a piece of North Carolina's drug trade for itself, law enforcement officials say.

"We've known of the Jamaican presence in North Carolina for several months," said Cuyler Windham, assistant director of the State Bureau of Investigation. "I don't think it's getting any better."

The SBI and federal authorities know of "five or six areas" in the state where an "identifiable Jamaican organization is operating," said Paul Lyon, the Charlotte-based special agent in charge of North Carolina and South Carolina operations for the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.

Federal, state and local law enforcement officials say their agencies have responded by forming task forces to confront the groups, a local Raleigh daily reported last week.

"Within the past 12 months the interest has intensified for the agencies involved," Lyon said.

Other officials said gang members have been identified in Raleigh, Charlotte, Greensboro, Jacksonville and New Bern. Their products include cocaine, marijuana and the potent cocaine derivative crack.

Throughout North Carolina, officials said, there have been isolated arrests of Jamaicans who have had ties to gangs. But because gang activity is in its early stages, there are no statistics available on gang-related crimes.

Earlier this month, Raleigh police and SBI agents raided a house they suspected was a drug distribution center. Though no Jamaicans were arrested, agents said the raid was a project of a Jamaican task force.

Nationwide, the groups—who call themselves "posses" after a Jamaican slang term for a gang—have been responsible for a substantial rise in the rate of murders and other violent crimes in cities such as Kansas City, Seattle, Dallas and Washington.

However, law enforcement officials statewide downplayed the significance of their joint efforts, saying North Carolina was not likely to see high levels of gang violence because it lacked a giant urban center.

"There have always been some groups emerging in history," said the ATF's Lyon, a point man in the war on Jamaican posses in the state. "Cubans were the big issue three years ago. These 'posses' just happen to be more violent than normal groups, and because of that we're paying a lot of attention to them."

## Felony Charges Pending

A Raleigh police officer testified in juvenile court that a 63-year-old woman told him she had been hanging out laundry in her yard when a 15-year-old youth attacked her.

Wake District Court Judge George F. Bason dropped a rape charge against the youth last week but continued the hearing because of problems with a witness.

The rape charge dismissal came during a hearing held to determine whether the youth should be tried as an adult in the attack on the woman who spent almost a month recovering in the hospital and required surgery to repair facial fractures.

Asst. Dist. Thomas Ford dismissed the rape charges because hospital tests did not reveal evidence of sperm in the woman or on the youth who was arrested minutes after the attack.

Police suspected rape after neighbors found the woman lying next to a clothesline with her panties at her ankles and housecoat at her waist.

The youth faces charges of assault with a deadly weapon inflicting serious injury in the incident.

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## New Radar To Crack Down On High Speeders

The North Carolina Highway Patrol is using new radar devices to crack down on speeding motorists, with emphasis along interstate highways.

The state has purchased these major devices and is distributing them to as many as 200 troopers in the field to help in an indefinite crackdown along interstates because of an exceptional increase in high speeders.

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## Wake County Public Schools Ready To Graduate Almost 4,200

The Wake County Public School System has set its plans into motion for Commencement 1988. Approximately 4,155 students from 13 schools in Wake County will be graduating this year. Based on past trends, about 77 percent of the graduating seniors plan to further their education. Of that total, 54 percent plan to attend a four-year college or university, while the other 23 percent plan to go to junior colleges or trade schools. This year students and their guests will be attending graduation ceremonies as scheduled below:

• Apex High School: Saturday, June 11, at 4 p.m., Memorial Auditorium. 302 students expected to graduate.

• Athens Drive High School: Graduation Monday, June 13, at 7 p.m. at the Civic Center; 376 students expected to graduate. Baccalaureate Sunday, June 5, at 8 p.m. at the Civic Center.

• Broughton High School: Saturday, June 11, at 8 p.m. at the Civic Center; 503 students expected to graduate.

• Cary Senior High School: Sunday, June 12, at 7 p.m. at the Civic Center; 449 students expected to graduate.

• East Wake High School: Graduation Friday, June 10, at 7 p.m. at Memorial Auditorium; 222 students expected to graduate. Baccalaureate Sunday, June 5, at 8 p.m. in Memorial Auditorium.

• Enloe High School: Graduation Friday, June 10, at 7 p.m. at the Civic Center; 460 students expected to graduate. Baccalaureate Sunday, June 5, at 2 p.m. at the Civic Center.

• Fuquay-Varina High School: Sunday, June 12 at 5 p.m. at

Memorial Auditorium; 176 students expected to graduate.

• Garner Senior High School: Sunday, June 12, at 2 p.m. at the Civic Center; 350 students expected to graduate.

• Millbrook High School: Graduation Saturday, June 11, at 10 a.m. at

the Civic Center; 495 students expected to graduate. Baccalaureate Sunday, June 5, at 6 p.m. at the Civic Center.

• Sanderson High School: Graduation Saturday, June 11, at 2 p.m. at the Civic Center; 512 students expected to graduate.

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## Jimmy Coleman Helps In Law Enforcement

Jimmy Coleman, a St. Augustine's College alumnus, has successfully completed the National Certified Investigators Program. This program was designed for administrators supervising law enforcement programs, criminal investigations and regulatory investigators for licensure. The program was sponsored by the Law Enforcement Training Institute, School of Law, University of Missouri at Columbia; the Council of State Governments; and the National Clearinghouse on Licensure, Enforcement and Regulation. The National Certified Investigator Training Program was held in Austin, Texas.

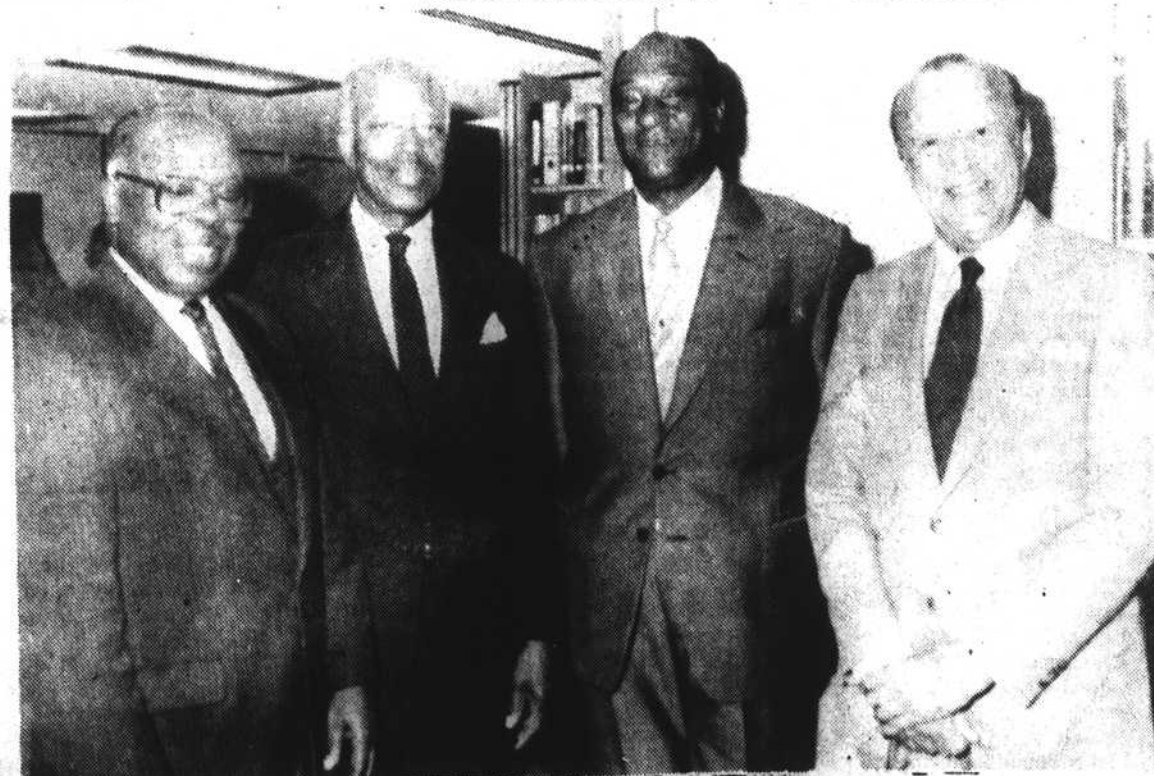
Coleman, who is currently senior deputy commissioner of insurance, is responsible for criminal investigations, licensing and regulations of bail bondsmen, collection agencies, motor clubs, premium finance and the Office of Minority Assistance.

He is currently a board member of the Garner Road YM-CA, a member of Kabala Shrine Temple, Excelsior Masonic

Lodge, Boyer Consistory No. 219 and attends First Cosmopolitan Baptist Church where Dr. W.B. Lewis is minister.



JIMMY COLEMAN



**VISITING AFRICA**—Three of the five presidents of historically black colleges talk with the U. S. Ambassador to South Africa during their recent tour of the Southern tier of Africa, including South Africa. From left: Dr. Charles Lyons, former Chancellor of Fayetteville State University, Fayetteville, N.C.; Dr. Prezell R. Robinson, President of Saint Augustine's College & leader of the delegation; The Honorable Edward Perkins, Ambassador, U.S. Ambassador to South Africa; and Dr. Hugh Gloster, President Emeritus, Morehouse College, Atlanta, Ga. Robinson was asked to lead the trip sponsored by the Agency for International Development (AID), an Agency of the U.S. State Dept.