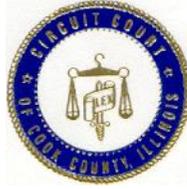


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Dorothy Brown is Named One of Chicago-Kent's 125 Alumni of Distinction

(CHICAGO) -- Established in 1888, the prestigious Chicago-Kent College of Law has awarded more than 13,000 law degrees. Out of the thousands of degree holders, Chicago-Kent has chosen to recognize 125 outstanding alumni in honor of its 125th anniversary on **Thursday, November 21, 2013, at the Renaissance Hotel, Chicago, at 5:30 p.m.**

Honorable Dorothy Brown, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County, is counted among that select group.

Chicago-Kent College of Law, currently part of the Illinois Institute of Technology, has a time-honored record of training students who have become trailblazing lawyers, legislators, government and civic leaders, entrepreneurs, journalists and authors. The school has graduated hundreds of notable alumni who have made and are making great contributions to society. It took a committee of alumni, faculty, staff and students almost a year to review over 400 nominations in order to narrow down to 125 distinguished alumni, living and deceased.

"To be recognized as one of Chicago-Kent's 125 Alumni of Distinction is a tremendous honor," said Clerk Brown. "It is also very humbling for me, given the law school's illustrious history and the stature and outstanding accomplishments of its alumni. I am proud to participate in a legacy of excellence. This recognition further inspires me to live up to the high values and ideals set by this great institution. "

Clerk Brown graduated from Chicago-Kent with honors in 1996. She is the first African American elected to the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County, which is one of the largest court systems in the world. Clerk Brown, who is currently serving her fourth term in office, holds a law degree, an MBA and is a Certified Public Accountant.

As one of the IIT Chicago-Kent College of Law 125 Alumni of Distinction, Clerk Brown will be recognized along with such law school luminaries as:

- **Ida Platt**, Class of 1894, first African-American woman admitted to the Illinois Bar and only the third in the United States
- **Robert S. Abbot**, Class of 1898, founder of the *Chicago Defender Newspaper*
- **Patricia Whitten**, Class of 1974, first female and youngest counsel of the Chicago Board of Education
- **Anita Alvarez**, Class of 1986, first female and the first Hispanic Cook County State's Attorney
- **Gregory T. McLaughlin**, Class of 1999, President and CEO of the Tiger Woods Corporation and Foundation

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