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## IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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### **S.C. SUPREME COURT JUSTICE GEORGE JAMES LED A HIGH-LEVEL LAW DISCUSSION IN KINGSTREE**

On May 22, 2025, at 11:00 a.m., Justice George C. James of the South Carolina Supreme Court, former U.S. District Attorney Adair Burroughs, and Senator/Attorney Ronnie Sabb took part in a distinguished legal forum held at the Williamsburg Technical College Auditorium. This event was organized as part of an ongoing initiative to foster transparent dialogue among members of the judiciary, legal professionals, scholars, and the public.

Justice George C. James, Jr. has been an Associate Justice of the South Carolina Supreme Court since his election on February 1, 2017, and subsequent swearing-in on February 7, 2017. Attorney Adair Ford Burroughs served as the United States Attorney for the District of South Carolina from 2022 to 2025 and is currently a professor at the University of South Carolina's Joseph Rice School of Law. Attorney Ronnie Sabb has practiced law for many years and previously served as an assistant solicitor with the Third Judicial Circuit for over two decades. He was the first African American to act as attorney for the City of Lake City and also served as general counsel for Santee Electric Cooperative for the last seventeen years. Currently, Attorney Sabb represents individuals that have been injured in car accidents, truck accidents, and other civil matters.

The forum brought together leading legal minds, including current and pre-service law students, attorneys, academics, and educational officials, to address significant legal issues impacting society today. Students from Hemingway High School and Kingstree High School were invited to participate in the discussions and posed insightful questions for the panelists.

During the event, panelists addressed pressing legal issues, recent judicial developments, and the evolving role of the courts in society. Following their remarks, a moderated question-and-answer session allowed attendees to engage directly with the state's top judicial authorities. A second panel included newly sworn-in attorney Kerrie Singleton, law student Charles Kinlaw, and law student Shawn Swinton, who facilitated both panel discussions throughout the event.