**SAVE THE DATE**

**July 1, 2014 – 7:00 p.m.**

**Civil Rights in America: Then and Now**

**Commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the Civil Rights Act of 1964**

**ImaginOn - Wells Fargo Playhouse**

**300 East Seventh Street**

**6:00 p.m. – Reception**

**7:00 p.m. – Program**

2014 marks the 50th Anniversary of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. To celebrate this special occasion, the **Charlotte-Mecklenburg Community Relations Committee, Charlotte Mecklenburg Library, Mecklenburg Ministries** and the **Community Building Initiative** are planning a special program and celebration for July 1, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. This program will be held at ImaginOn, 300 East Seventh Street at the Wells Fargo Playhouse. Featured speakers include:

     **James Ferguson II,**Attorney at Law, Ferguson Chambers & Sumter, P.A. **- Overview of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.**

* **Dr. Tom Hanchett,**Historian**,**Levine Museum of the New South -  **Charlotte – Then and Now.**

**Dianne English,**Executive Director, Community Building Initiative - **Herstory.**

**Professor Theodore M. “Ted” Shaw,**the Julius L. Chambers Distinguished Professor of Law and Director of the Center for Civil Rights at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Law.  Effective July 1, 2014, he will become the second director of the  Center founded by Julius Chambers.**Professor Shaw will be the keynote speaker.**

**You may RSVP by emailing Renee Thompson at**[**rthompson@charlottenc.gov**](mailto:rthompson@charlottenc.gov)**or calling  [704.336.2424](tel:704.336.2424" \t "_blank).  You may also register at Eventbrite at**  [http://www.eventbrite.com/e/civil-rights-in-america-then-and-now-tickets-11945287677](http://eventbrite.com/event/11945287677?utm_source=eb_email&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=new_eventv2&utm_term=eventurl_text)

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