Rosen Hagood Announces Community Service Scholarship Winner

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Charleston, SC – Charleston-based law firm Rosen Hagood announced today the winner of the first Rosen Hagood Community Service Scholarship. The recipient is Kingston Handley, a junior at the University of North Carolina – Charlotte. The scholarship seeks to recognize students who have demonstrated their commitment to community service which has played, and will continue to play, a role in their academic careers.

> "Kingston exemplifies the combination of community service and academic achievement that the scholarship is designed to support. His achievements are incredibly impressive, and we're proud to be able to support his education and his continued community service," commented Andrew Gowdown, Co-managing Member of the firm.

Along with being on the Dean's List, carrying a full academic load with a dual major in Accounting and Criminal Justice, and engaging in an already-impressive list of extracurricular and service activities, Handley founded a mentoring club for boys called Passport to Manhood in partnership with local Boys and Girls Clubs. Handley describes the program as "a club that focuses on mentoring middle school boys that are at risk of dropping out of school and a way to help empower these boys with the understanding and the skills needed to grow into a well-rounded man." Classes at the club incorporate discussions about a number of academic and social issues, such as managing negative peer pressure and also provide access to student tutors for tough assignments.

Handley said, "While teaching my Passport classes, I always told my students that I want to dictate my future and not have my future dictated to me. My goals were to inspire my middle school boys to reach their fullest potential, and for them to graduate from high school."

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