

Damario Solomon-Simmons M.Ed., J.D.

Attorney. Professor. Speaker.

“A rising star in academic and legal circles and someone whose intellect, judgment and commitment is unparalleled.”

...Professor Charles J. Ogletree, Jr., Harvard Law School

Damario Solomon-Simmons makes waves. Like a force of nature, he walks onto a stage, into a classroom, represents a client, or organizes a project and leaves the environment permanently changed. Overcoming growing up in a low-income single parent household, Damario has become a coveted speaker and consultant on matters of ***Diversity, Education, Sports Law, and Life Skills***. Known for passionate, engaging, and informative presentations, he regularly speaks for universities, corporations, and organizations across the nation, including **Notre Dame Law School, The Williams’ Cos., and the United States Department of Agriculture**.

As the founder and managing partner of [SolomonSimmonsSharrock & Associates, PLLC](#), Damario has successfully tried cases in federal, state, and tribal courts, including the prominent Black Creek Freedmen tribal citizenship rights. He was also an integral member of the legal team that included famed attorney *Johnnie Cochrane* who fought to obtain reparations for the survivors of the 1921 Tulsa Race Riot. Damario’s work on the 1921 case earned him an invitation to testify before the *Congressional Black Caucus*.

He has been responsible for overseeing the negotiation of millions of dollars in player and endorsement contracts, organizing and managing an athlete’s business and legal structure, and helping utilize athletes’ influence to empower their communities. Damario’s [Bridge Builders: African-American Student Athlete Network](#), a personal and leadership development program for African-American student-athletes, has received national acclaim. Additionally, his [The Game Plan™](#) training program has been credited with substantially improving athlete’s transition from high school to college to professional athletics.

Passionate about creating opportunities for inner city youth, he co-founded with his wife the annual [MVP Weekend](#), in which he mobilizes professional athletes to raise money and awareness for inner city youth. Since 2009, the MVP Weekend has provided academic and life skills services to over 500 inner-city youth.

Once the youngest full-time instructor for the University of Oklahoma’s African & African-American Studies, he regularly researches and writes about issues that highlight the intersection of race, society, and justice.

Book him today for your next keynote, workshop, or seminar needs, and be “informed, inspired, and empowered!”™