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## **This Week @ Carter Library**

**Atlanta, GA.** – Join us this week for a look at one of the most influential justices of the Civil Rights era...Elbert Parr Tuttle. This Wednesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:45 pm, author and Georgia State University law professor Anne Emanuel will discuss her biography ***Elbert Parr Tuttle: Chief Jurist of the Civil Rights Revolution.*** It is the first and only authorized biography of the justice who led the federal court with jurisdiction over most of the Deep South throughout most of the civil right revolution.

When Tuttle assumed the mantle of chief judge in 1960, six years had passed since *Brown v. Board of Education* had been decided but little had changed for black southerners. In landmark cases relating to voter registration, school desegregation, access to public transportation, and other basic civil liberties, Tuttle's determination to render justice and his swift, decisive rulings neutralized the delaying tactics of diehard segregationists—including voter registrars, school board members, and governors—who were determined to preserve Jim Crow laws throughout the South.

Emanuel, who clerked for Judge Tuttle, maintains that without the support of the federal courts of the Fifth Circuit, the promise of *Brown* might have gone unrealized. Moreover, without the leadership of Elbert Tuttle and the moral authority he commanded, the courts of the Fifth Circuit might not have met the challenge.

A Cappella Books will be selling copies of Emanuel's book at the event. There will be a reception beginning at 6:00pm, followed by the lecture at 6:45 and book signing afterward. The event at the Carter Presidential Museum is free and open to the public.

Also, there are a few tickets left for the talks by **Harry Belafonte** (November 16<sup>th</sup>) and **Tom Brokaw** (November 17<sup>th</sup>). You can purchase your ticket, which includes an autographed, first edition copy of their book, by calling A Cappella Books at 404-681-5128.

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