

School of Law Opening

From 75 to 100 students will attend the new Charlotte School of Law (CharlotteLaw) opening in Midtown this August.

The school, created by InfiLaw, a consortium of American Bar Association accredited independent law schools, will begin classes in a Georgian-style building at 1211 E. Morehead Street. Most recently home to the law firm of Alston & Bird, the building has been vacant since 2001.

CharlotteLaw plans to occupy both the original three-story building and a 16,000-square-foot skylit atrium added in 1985. "With its grand columns, stately architecture and rich legal his-



The Charlotte School of Law opens for business in this building on Morehead Street in August.
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tory, we could not have picked a better building for our school," says E. Eugene Clark, dean. He says its conveniences include being minutes from downtown and ample free parking.

The school will offer both full-time and part-time programs with day and evening classes.

The faculty includes eight fulltime professors and two deans who will also teach. Judge Shirley Fulton is chairman of the school's board.

Judge Fulton and Dean Clark are establishing a committee to lead the search for a permanent site for the school. "We plan to build a facility that will incorporate innovative educational technology and design features that promote collaboration among students and faculty as well as state-of-the-art mock courtrooms," Judge Fulton says. —Allan Maurer