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Business Address

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Education

UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO LAW SCHOOL. Chicago, Illinois. *Juris Doctor*. Historian, The International Legal Fraternity of Phi Delta Phi...Law Students Association First-Year Student Representative...Participation in Woodlawn Criminal Defense Service...Participation in Mandel Legal Aid Clinic.

CLAREMONT COLLEGE. Claremont, California, B.A., Economics and Mathematics...Dean's List and Distinguished Scholar's List...Big Brother...President, Claremont Economics Association...President, Claremont Pre-Law Society...Varsity Baseball.

Employment

PROFESSOR, GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF LAW. Teaching and research areas include Sales, Contracts, Contract Drafting, Debtor-Creditor Relations, Commercial Law, Secured Transactions, Commercial Paper, Civil Practice and Procedure, and Litigation (1985-Present)

DIRECTOR OF ADVOCACY, GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF LAW. Responsible for administering the College of Law's mandatory Advocacy Program for second year students (2018-Present)

DIRECTOR OF CERTIFICATE OF ADVOCACY PROGRAM, GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF LAW. Responsible for administering the College of Law's Certificate of Advocacy Program (2019-Present)

ASSOCIATE DEAN, GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF LAW. Responsible for academic and student affairs of the College of Law (1993-1997)

ACTING DIRECTOR OF LITIGATION PROGRAM, GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF LAW. Responsible for direction of the College of Law's mandatory Litigation Program for second year students (1993-1994)

ADJUNCT PROFESSOR, GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF LAW. Taught Litigation and Trial Practice to second and third year law students (1984-1985)

ATTORNEY WITH LAW FIRM OF TROUTMAN, SANDERS in Atlanta, Georgia. Litigation Department. Areas of litigation included Contracts, Real Estate, Domestic Relations, U.C.C., Construction Law, and Personal Injury (1976-1985)

Professional Service

JUDGE, MAGISTRATE COURT OF DEKALB COUNTY. Judge in the Magistrate Court of DeKalb County. Preside over dispossessory actions and civil cases. Also preside over preliminary hearings, set bonds, and approve or deny applications for arrest and search warrants (1985-2018)

JUDGE, STATE COURT OF DEKALB COUNTY. Preside over arraignments and jury and non-jury trials by special designation as *pro hac vice* Judge (1985-2018)

Professor and Lecturer, Center for American Law Studies, Warsaw, Poland (2017)

Professor and Lecturer, Summer Academy in International Commercial Arbitration, Linz, Austria (2012)

Program Instructor and Advisor, Council on Legal Education Opportunity (CLEO) (2004 - Present)

Program Instructor and Advisor, G-Plus Program (Annual six-week summer program for aspiring law students) (2010-2013)

Program Instructor and Advisor, Georgia Law School Consortium Fellowship Program, Georgia Bar/Georgia Supreme Court (Six-week program for at-risk entering law students) (2002-2012)

Program Instructor and Advisor, Kessler-Eidson Program for Trial Techniques at Emory Law School (2010)

Moderator, Justice Stevens' Legacy, Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting (2010)

Moderator, Government Powers and Individual Rights Panel, Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting (2007)

Legal Commentator, Court Radio WAOK-AM (2005-2006)

Panelist, Minorities in the Judiciary, National Bar Association Annual Convention (2005)

Program Instructor and Panelist, Annual Jury Trial Seminar, State Bar of Georgia (2003)

Chairman and Lecturer, Contract Formation and Administration Seminars, 1988 (series of five one-day seminars)

Lecturer, Georgia Rules of Evidence Seminar, State Bar of Georgia (1987)

Co-Chairman, Georgia Practice and Procedure Seminar, State Bar of Georgia (1986)

Lecturer, BAR/BRI Bar Review Course

Arbitrator, State Bar of Georgia

Arbitrator, American Arbitration Association

Arbitrator, Fulton County Superior Court

Judge, Frederick Douglas Moot Court Competition

Teaching Awards

2000-2019 College of Law Hooding Team

2013-2014 Awarded Teaching Innovation Grant

2012-2013 Outstanding Law Professor of the Year Award

2011-2012 Outstanding Law Professor of the Year Award

2010-2011 Outstanding Law Professor of the Year Award

2006-2007 Outstanding Law Professor of the Year Award

2002-2003 Outstanding Law Professor of the Year Award (Runner-up)

2001-2002 Outstanding Law Professor of the Year Award (Runner-up)
2000-2001 Outstanding Law Professor of the Year Award (Runner-up)
1995-1996 “Best Use of the Socratic Method” Teaching Award
1993-1994 Outstanding Law Professor of the Year Award (Runner-up)
1992-1993 Outstanding Law Professor of the Year Award (Runner-up)
1991-1992 Outstanding Law Professor of the Year Award
1989-1990 Outstanding Law Professor of the Year Award
1984-1985 Litigation Professor of the Year Award

Public Service

Presentation and Lecture, Montclair School (2012, 2013)
Presentation and Lecture, The Galloway School (2008)
Presentation and Lecture, Washington High School (2007)
Presentation and Lecture, North Atlanta High School (2006)
Member, Georgia Athlete Agent Regulatory Commission (Appointed by Governor) (1987-2002)
Chairman, Georgia Athlete Agent Regulatory Commission (1990-91)
Vice-Chairman, Georgia Athlete Agent Regulatory Commission (1989-90)
Member, Knights of Columbus
Director, Little League Baseball at Exchange Park in Decatur

College and University Service

Advisor, Bleckley Inn of Court (2019-Present)
Advisor, Order of the Barristers (2018-Present)
Member, Academic Success Program Committee (2018-Present)
Member, Ad Hoc Committee on Faculty Workload Policy (2018)
Member, Ben F. Johnson Public Service Award Selection Committee (2007, 2008, 2009, 2017, 2018)
Member, Triennial Provost Evaluation Committee (2017)
Senator, Georgia State University (2009-2017)
Chair, Dean Evaluation Committee (2012)
Member, GSU Committee on Criminal Background Task Force (2007)
Chair, Faculty Honor Court Panel (2007)
Member, Faculty Honor Court Panel (2005, 2006)
Member of various University and Law School committees including Academic Success, Admissions, Awards, Advisory, Athletics, Library, Budget, Faculty Recruitment, Student Affairs, Faculty Affairs, Minority Summer Clerkship Program, Curriculum, Faculty Grievance, Student Awards Selection, Promotion and Tenure, and Honor Court
Member, Public Interest Law Association Fellowship Selection Committee (2005, 2006)
Member, Dean Evaluation Committee (1999, 2006)
Chairman, Space Planning Committee (1992-1996)
Member, Dean Search Committee of the College of Law (1991, 1995)
Chairman, Ad Hoc Committee on Minority Recruitment, Enrollment, and Retention (1989)
Lecturer, Summer Skills Program for entering minority law students (1989-1992)

Memberships

American Bar Association
Georgia Bar Association
Atlanta Bar Association
Gate City Bar Association
Decatur-DeKalb Bar Association
DeKalb Lawyers Association
National Bar Association

Publications

“Abandoning the Pre-Existing Duty Rule: Eliminating the Unnecessary”, 8 Houston Business and Tax Law Journal 355 (2008)

“Escape from the Battle of the Forms: Keep it Simple Stupid”, 11 Lewis & Clark L.Rev. (2007)

“On Ending the Battle of the Forms: Problems With Solutions”, 80 Ky. L.J. 815 (1992)

Georgia Methods of Practice, 1993 Supplement (Chs. 1-9, 63-67), West Publishing Company (1993)

Georgia Methods of Practice, 1992 Supplement (Chs. 1-9, 63-67), West Publishing Company (1992)

Georgia Methods of Practice, 1991 Supplement (Chs. 1-9, 63-67), West Publishing Company (1991)

Georgia Methods of Practice, 1990 Supplement (Chs. 1-9, 63-67), West Publishing Company (1990)

"Georgia Civil Practice and Procedure," Georgia Methods of Practice, Chapters 3-9, pp. 124-225, West Publishing Company (1989)

"Creditors' Rights in Georgia," Georgia Methods of Practice, Chapters 63-67, pp. 625-689, West Publishing Company (1989)