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EXPERIENCE

August 2015 – present

Clinical Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science & Public Administration
General Counsel to Students
University Pre-Law Advisor

August 2011 – present

General Counsel to Students
Instructor, Department of Political Science & Administration
University Pre-Law Advisor

August 2006 – August 2015

Instructor, Department of Political Science & Public Administration
University Pre-Law Advisor

Courses taught:

Undergraduate:

American Government
Constitutional Powers
Civil Liberties
Introduction to Law
International Law

Graduate:

Administrative Law

January 2005 – August 2006

General Counsel & Chief of Staff, State Treasurer of Mississippi. Provided general legal and policy advice with regard to all functions of state treasury. Served as speechwriter and media contact. Served as treasury liaison to Mississippi Legislature and Governor's Office. Represented treasury in public speaking engagements.

Adjunct Professor, Millsaps College Department of Political Science. Taught American Government, Constitutional Law, and Civil Rights.

December 2002 – December 2004

Associate Attorney, Latham & Burwell, PLLC, Jackson, MS. Litigation associate in a commercial practice. Served as chief appeals counsel. Firm served as regional counsel to a number of national corporations.

EDUCATION

Juris Doctor, University of Mississippi School of Law (2001)

Bachelor of Arts in English, cum laude, Millsaps College (1996)

Energy Law Summer Semester, LLM & Environmental Law & Policy Program, Vermont Law School (2010). A scholarship award given to undergraduate professors involved in pre-law advising.

Graduate of Education for Ministry Program, School of Theology, University of the South (2008)

Cambridge University, Downing College. Graduate work in international law, legal history, and international business transactions (2000)

CLERKSHIPS / INTERNSHIPS

Mississippi Supreme Court Justice George Carlson (2002)

United States Senator Thad Cochran (1999 – 2001)

Mississippi Secretary of State's Office (1996 – 1998)

AWARDS/HONORS

Outstanding Undergraduate Professor Award, College of Arts & Sciences, Department of Political Science, Mississippi State University (2016)

Outstanding Undergraduate Professor Award, College of Arts & Sciences, Department of Political Science, Mississippi State University (2014)

Distinguished Alumnus Award, West Point High School, West Point, MS (2013)

Best Overall Professor of 2012, Mississippi State University Dean of Students Annual "Best of MSU" Poll.

Best Overall Professor of 2011, Mississippi State University Dean of Students Annual "Best of MSU" Poll.

Professor of the Year, Mississippi State University Student Association (2010-2011)

Outstanding Undergraduate Professor Award, College of Arts & Sciences, Department of Political Science, Mississippi State University (2012)

Outstanding Undergraduate Professor Award, College of Arts & Sciences,
Department of Political Science, Mississippi State University (2010)

Certificate of Appreciation, Detachment 16, Operational Support Airlift Command, Mississippi
Army National Guard. (2007)

OTHER

Vestry Member, Episcopal Church of the Resurrection, Starkville (2014-2016)

Creator of MSU's First Minor in Pre-Law, including required courses Introduction to Law I
and II (2013)

Founder & Director, Continuing Legal Education course for Mississippi State University
Alumni Attorneys (2010-present)

Director, Mississippi State University Distinguished Jurist Award (2008-present)

Chairman of the Board of *The Reflector* student newspaper (2008 – 2012)

Board Member, MSU Honor Council (2009 – 2013); MSU Maroon Edition (2011 – present);
Mississippi Heritage Trust (2010 – 2013)

Athletic Recruitment, Mississippi State Football (2006 – present)

Admissions Office Recruitment, Mississippi State University (2006-present)

SPEAKER / PRESENTER

“Appreciating MSU and the Land Grant Mission”, Guest Lecturer, Maroon VIP Program
(2013, 2014)

MSU Maroon Edition Featured Speaker, Freshman Orientation at MSU (2010-2014,
2016). Speech to entire incoming freshman class to explain faculty book
selection for freshman class.

“In Legal Terms” Live Broadcast, a radio program on Mississippi Public Broadcasting,
with Ole Miss Law School Dean Richard Gershon (2013)

“The History and Tradition of the Cowbell”. MSU Student Association Hail State Week.
(2013)

“Beyond John Grisham: Making Undergraduate Students More Informed Consumers of
Legal Education”. Southern Association of Pre Law Advisors Annual Conference.
Atlanta, Georgia (2013)

“Tribute to Mississippi Supreme Court Justice George C. Carlson”, Mississippi Bar
Association Annual Convention, Sandestin, Florida (2012)

“Foundational Legal Principles for State Government Managers,” State Executive Development Institute, Stennis Institute of Government (2011, 2012, 2015, 2016)

Keynote, Mississippi Hugh O’Brien Youth Leadership Seminar (2008-2013; 2015)

“Current Issues in Constitutional Law,” Continuing Legal Education Seminar of Millsaps College & Mississippi Bar Association, Merida, Yucatan, Mexico (2011, 2013)

“Building a Network of Bulldog Lawyers,” Mississippi Bar Association Annual Convention, Sandestin, Florida (2011)

Shackouls Honors College Friday Seminars (2011)

“The Drill” at Mississippi State (2011-2012). Welcome event for freshmen. Average attendance: 2,000

“Cowbell Yell” at Mississippi State (2011-2012). A celebration to kick-off football season. Sole faculty member on planning board for event & speaker at event. Average attendance: 10,000

Keynote speaker at MSU Athletic Staff Luncheon (2011)

Student athlete semester-beginning event in Humphrey Coliseum (2011)

Bulldog Club Event: An Evening With Dan Mullen & Scott Stricklin in Jackson (2011)

NEWSPAPER QUOTES

Washington Post: “In Mississippi, Defenders of State’s Confederate-themed Flag Dig In.” (August 18, 2015)

New York Times: “Manufacturing Expectations and Belief at Mississippi State.” (September 14, 2011)

Commercial Appeal: “Mississippi State Faithful Feeling Destined for Greatness.” (August 29, 2011)

PUBLICATIONS

Whit Waide and James C. Giesen, “Blewett Lee: Mississippi’s Forgotten Legal Pioneer”, Mississippi History Now, online history site for secondary teachers, published August 19, 2016

American Governance. Kendall Hunt Publishers (2009)