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**PROFESSIONAL HIGHLIGHTS**

- \* **Doctor of Jurisprudence, ranked first in class**
- \* **M.A., University of Pennsylvania, The Wharton School of Business, Huebner Fellowship**
- \* **Attorney, licensed in the District of Columbia (inactive) and in Mississippi**
- \* **Clerkships with federal and state judges**
  - \* **Judicial law clerkship with Former Chief Judge Charles Clark, Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals, Jackson, Mississippi**
  - \* **Judicial law clerkship with Former Chief Judge/Senior Judge Paul Roney, Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals, St. Petersburg, Florida**
  - \* **Judicial law clerkship/internship with Former Justice Fred L. Banks, Jr. Mississippi Supreme Court, Jackson, Mississippi**
- \* **Tenured law school professor**
- \* **Other Professorships/Scholar-in-Residencies**
  - \* **Business School Assistant Prof., Univ. of Mississippi and Jackson State University, MS**
  - \* **Visiting Associate Professor, Boston College Law School, MA**
  - \* **Visiting Scholar-in-Residence, Pine Manor Women's College, MA**
  - \* **Distinguished Visiting Professor Teaching Excellence, Franklin Pierce Law Center, NH**
  - \* **Visiting Professor, Notre Dame Law School, IN**
  - \* **Visiting Scholar-in-Residence, Hamer Institute, Jackson State University, MS**
  - \* **Adjunct Graduate Faculty, Jackson State University, MS**
- \* **Extensive publications (articles, chapters, essays, etc.); extensive advisement of student publications/presentations/writing competitions**
- \* **Lecturer and presenter, extensively nationally and locally, some internationally**
- \* **Awards:**
  - \* **Charles F. Crutchfield Professorial Excellence Award, Notre Dame Law School, 2002**
  - \* **Inaugural Fellow (race and professionalism), National Institute for Teaching Ethics and Professionalism (Georgia State University), 2005**
  - \* **Mississippi College School of Law (MC Law) Dean's Faculty Professionalism Award, 2010**
  - \* **MC Law R. Jess Brown Chapter of Black Law Students Association, Faculty Award, 2012**
  - \* **MC Law R. Jess Brown Chapter of the Black Law Students Association and Alumni Award in recognition of contributions to student success in legal scholarship, 2013**
  - \* **MC Law Shirley Norwood Jones Faculty Collegiality Award, 2014**
  - \* **Magnolia Bar Association, Government Service Award, 2015**
  - \* **MC Law Distinguished Professor Nominee for Law School, 2015**
  - \* **Legacy Attorney Mentor, recognized by PORTICO Magazine, 2016**

## EDUCATION

Mississippi College School of Law, Jackson, Mississippi

Doctor of Jurisprudence May 1991

G.P.A. 3.95/4.00 scale, Class rank: 1 of 97

Associate Editor, Law Review

### Scholarships:

Hearin-Hess Law Scholarship

Ott & Purdy, Ltd., Scholarship for the First Year Student with Highest G.P.A.

### Awards:

Mississippi Valley Title Insurance Company Award for Property I and II

American Jurisprudence (Best Examination Paper) Awards in:

Contracts II

Criminal Law

Property II

Evidence

Corporations

Civil Procedure II

Ethics

Antitrust

Securities Regulations

Criminal Procedure

Wills and Estates

Employment Discrimination

### Activities:

Pupil, Charles Clark American Inn of Court

Member, R. Jess Brown Black Law Students' Association

Member, Student Advisory Committee to Faculty Academic Program Committee

University of Pennsylvania, The Wharton School of Business, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Master of Arts (Risk and Insurance) May 1984

### Honors:

S.S. Huebner Fellowship for Insurance Education

Student Member, American Risk and Insurance Association

Jackson State University, Jackson, Mississippi

Bachelor of Science (Finance) summa cum laude August 1979

### Scholarships:

Full Academic Scholarship

National Merit Scholarship

### Honors:

Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society

School of Business Award

President's and Dean's Lists

Arete Honor Society

Forest Hill High School, Jackson, MS

Valedictorian, May 1974 (first Black valedictorian in school's history)

West Side Junior High and Elementary School, Jackson, MS

Valedictorian, May 1971

## EMPLOYMENT

### LEGAL – ACADEMIC

**Professor of Law. Mississippi College School of Law, Jackson, MS Summer 1995-present**  
**Teach Constitutional Law, Civil Rights, First Amendment, Race and the Law, Race and the First Amendment, Con Law Seminar: Presidential Powers and the Historic Obama Presidency. July 1995-present (Assistant Professor 1995-1998; Associate Professor without Tenure 1998-2000; Tenured Associate Professor 2000 - 2005; Full Professor since 2005) (on professional leave of absence Fall 2000-Spring 2002; on research sabbatical Spring 2009)**

**Adjunct Graduate Faculty, Political Science Department, Jackson State University, Jackson, MS 2012-13 (for law related thesis)**

**Visiting Professor of Law. Notre Dame Law School, Notre Dame, IN Fall 2001- Spring 2002**  
**Taught Constitutional Law; Civil Rights; Race and the Law; Race and the First Amendment**

**Distinguished Visiting Professor of Teaching Excellence. Franklin Pierce Law Center, NH Spring 2001**  
**Taught Constitutional Law. Assisted faculty with race/gender diversity issues**

**Visiting Associate Professor of Law. Boston College Law School, Boston MA Fall 2000**  
**Taught Gender and the Law, Civil Rights**

**Adjunct Professor of Law. Mississippi College School of Law, Jackson, MS Spring 1994**  
**Team-taught Appellate Practice and Procedure Course**

### SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE

**Visiting Scholar-in-Residence. Fannie Lou Hamer National Institute on Citizenship and Democracy, Jackson State University, MS April – October 2009**

**Visiting Scholar-in-Residence. Pine Manor Women’s College, Chestnut Hill, MA Aug. – Dec. 2000**

### LEGAL -PRACTICE

**Consultant. Appellate Litigation. 1998**

#### **Attorney**

**--Phelps Dunbar, Jackson, MS. Appellate Litigation. 1993 - 1995**

**--Arnold & Porter, Washington, DC. Banking Litigation. 1992 - 1993**

**Summer Intern. Constitutional Torts Department of the Civil Division U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. Summer 1991**

### LEGAL - JUDICIAL

#### **Judicial Law Clerk for**

**--Former Chief/Senior Judge Paul Roney, Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals, St. Petersburg, FL. 1992**

**--Former Chief Judge Charles Clark, Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals, Jackson, MS. 1991 - 1992**

**--(Judicial Clerking Intern) Former Justice Fred L. Banks, Jr., Miss. Supreme Court. Spring 1991**

## **ACADEMIC - NON-LEGAL**

**Assistant Professor of Finance. University of Mississippi, Oxford, MS. 1985 - 1988**  
**Taught Finance, Insurance courses**

**Assistant Professor of Finance. Jackson State University, Jackson, MS. 1985**  
**Taught Finance, Economics courses**

## **INDUSTRY**

**South Central Bell, Jackson, MS**  
**Management Assistant 1979 - 1980**

**Management Trainee, alternated semesters work/school, cooperative education program 1976- 1979**

## PUBLICATIONS

*Mama Told Us, But We Always Were Hardheaded: Simple Race Lessons for Complicated Times*  
--Book in progress

*The Laughter and the Terror* (A story of five generations of a Black family in Mississippi)  
--Book in progress, co-authored with her mother Minnie L.P.D. Moore

*The same call, shifting responses: Justice Clarence Thomas and his 25 years of responses to "The Open Letter from Federal Judge Leon Higginbotham (1991)"*  
--Essay in Progress

*Fearless Color Confrontations: On Losing Dr. King, Rediscovering Dr. Cress, in Considering Judge Reeves' Uncensored Ruling, for an Updated Movement*  
--Essay in progress

*Equality Lost in Time and Space: Examining the Race/Class Quandary through the lens of a course, a film, a book, a case and an unfinished movement*  
--Essay in progress, \_\_\_SEATTLE JOURNAL FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE \_\_\_ (forthcoming 2016)

*Musings—Intersectionality challenges at work and in social structures for the single academic woman of color as an “exceptional case”*  
--Publication in peer review process, with co-authors Dr. Loretta A. Moore, Dr. Deidre L. Wheaton, Dr. Michelle D. Deardorff, and Dr. Evelyn J. Leggette

*Transforming Climates for the Academic Woman of Color in STEM: Strategic Engagement with Families and Social Networks of the Married/Partnered Academic Woman of Color for Career Advancement, Work-Life Balance and Institutional Transformation*  
--Publication in peer review process, with co-authors Dr. Loretta A. Moore, Dr. Deidre L. Wheaton, Dr. Michelle D. Deardorff, and Dr. Evelyn J. Leggette

*‘Truth and Reconciliation:’ A Critical Step toward Eliminating Race and Gender Violations in Tenure Wars*  
--Publication with co-author Professor Tamara F. Lawson (St. Thomas Univ. Sch. of Law), 31 COLUMBIA JOURNAL OF GENDER AND THE LAW 87 (2015)

*Breaking Cartels to Stymie the Reproduction of Racism and Breaking them in Time, Book Review of Daria Roithmayr's book, Reproducing Racism: How Everyday Choices Lock in White Advantage (New York University Press 2014),*  
--Book review published in JOTWELL ONLINE LAW JOURNAL, Legal Scholarship We Like (2015)

*Relics from the Past Still Coloring a High Price for Leisure for Blacks in the Deep South*  
--THE 2014 MONOGRAPH SERIES, INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH FORUM, National Association for African American Studies & Affiliates (2015)

*Book Review of Racial Reckoning: Prosecuting America's civil rights murders, by Renee C. Romano (Harvard U. Press 2014)*  
-- Published in Criminal Law and Criminal Justice Books, THE RUTGERS SCHOOL OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND SCHOOL OF LAW, Online Book Review Journal, February 2015, available at <http://clcjbooks.rutgers.edu/books/racial-reckoning.html>

*On the Receiving End of Influence: Helping craft the scholarship of my students and how their work influences me*

--Published in JOTWELL ONLINE JOURNAL, PROCEEDINGS OF THE 4<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CONFERENCE, Legal Scholarship we like and why it Matters, University of Miami School of Law (2014)

*Will the South Rise Again and, if so, in what Form?: Lessons about resisting the fear of cultural understanding*

--Published in 47 THE JOHN MARSHALL LAW REVIEW 1211 (LatCrit Symposium Issue) (2014)

*Transforming Climates for the Academic Woman of Color: Facilitating Greater Understanding in the Workplace Climate and in Social Structures*, Invited Paper, co-authored with Dr. Loretta A. Moore (Jackson State University), Dr. Michelle D. Deardorff (University of Tennessee at Chattanooga), Dr. Evelyn J. Leggette (Jackson State University)

--Published in the PROCEEDINGS OF THE TWELFTH LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN CONFERENCE FOR ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY (LACCEI 2014)

*Challenging Presumed (Im)Morality: A Personal Narrative* (essay)

--Published in 29 BERKELEY JOURNAL OF GENDER & JUSTICE 295 (2013-14)

*Reflections on PRESUMED INCOMPETENT: The Intersections of Race and Class for Women of Color in Academia Symposium — The Plenary Panel*

--Co-authored with other plenary panelists Law Professors Maritza I. Reyes, Angela Onwuachi-Willig, Stephanie M. Wildman, and Adrienne Katherine Wing, follow up March 2013 conference held at Berkeley celebrating the book, PRESUMED INCOMPETENT: THE INTERSECTIONS OF RACE AND CLASS FOR WOMEN IN ACADEMIA, EDITED BY PROFESSORS GABRIELLA GUTIERREZ Y MUHS, YOLANDA FLORES NIEMANN, CARMEN G. GONZALEZ, AND ANGELA P. HARRIS (Utah State University Press, 2012)

--Published in 29 BERKELEY JOURNAL OF GENDER & JUSTICE 195 (2013-14)

*Innovations in the Classroom, Taking a Soak in the Law* (short essay)

--Published in the American Association of Law Schools (AALS) SECTION ON TEACHING METHODS, NEWSLETTER, Spring 2014

*Deliberately Pursue: The Talk* (short essay)

--Published in the CENTER FOR DIVERSITY IN THE LEGAL PROFESSION, CUNY, NEWSLETTER, Spring 2014

*Using Feathery Birds to Disguise Hateful Speech: AVATAR; Hillary – The Movie; Citizens United; and How Birds of the Same Feather Flock Together*

--Published 49 GONZAGA LAW REVIEW 1 (2013-14) (Lead Article)

*Book Review of the book, LIBERTY AND SECURITY BY CONOR GEARTY*

--Published in the LAW AND POLITICS BOOK REVIEW, Rule of Law Post 9/11 Issue, vol. 23, no. 10, 2013, published by The Law and Courts Section, The American Political Science Association

*May It Please the Court? A Short Story*

--Published in 6 THE CRIT, CRITICAL LEGAL STUDIES JOURNAL 69 (2013) (University of Idaho College of Law)

*Technological Cultural Disconnects, Impacts on Equality: USA Legal Discourse*

---Published in PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIFTH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON APPROPRIATE TECHNOLOGY, SECTION ON POLICY AND STANDARDS, pages 261-67, Proceedings edited by Hattie

Carwell, Bradford Grant, Gada Kadoda, John Tharakan, John Trimble and Charles Verharen, Pretoria, South Africa, November 2012

*Facing Down the Spooks (essay),*

--Lead Essay as chapter 1 in book, **PRESUMED INCOMPETENT: THE INTERSECTIONS OF RACE AND CLASS FOR WOMEN IN ACADEMIA**, GABRIELLA GUTIERREZ Y MUHS, YOLANDA FLORES NIEMANN, CARMEN G. GONZALEZ, AND ANGELA P. HARRIS, EDS. (Utah State University Press 2012)

*Motherhood and the Constitution: (Re) Thinking the Power of Women to Facilitate Change,*

--Published 15 UNIVERSITY OF RICHMOND JOURNAL OF LAW AND PUBLIC INTEREST 501 (2012)

*(Re) Complexioning a Simple Tale: Race, Speech and Colored Leadership,*

--Published 48 THE CALIFORNIA WESTERN LAW REVIEW 399 (2012)

*Negotiating Social Mobility and Critical Citizenship: Institutions at a Crossroads*, co-authored with Dr. Michelle D. Deardorff

--Published 22 University of FLORIDA JOURNAL OF LAW AND PUBLIC POLICY 335 (2011)

--This work was recognized as one of the best works of recent scholarship relating to Equality by Dean Camille Nelson of Suffolk University Law School, Boston, published the October 1, 2012, review in JOTWELL: THE JOURNAL OF THINGS WE LIKE (LOTS), <http://equality.jotwell.com>

*Academic War Strategies for Nonviolent Armies of One (essay),*

--Published 4 THE CRIT LAW JOURNAL, University of Idaho 111 (2011)

*Risking Collaborative Learning (essay), and Why I Teach (essay)*

--Published in book, GERRY HESS, STEVEN FRIEDLAND, SOPHIE SPARROW AND MICHAEL HUNTER SCHWARTZ, **TECHNIQUES FOR TEACHING LAW II** (Carolina Academic Press 2011)

*Political Invisibility of Black Women: Still suspect but No Suspect Class*, co-authored with Letitia Simmons Johnson and Ramona Seabron-Williams

--Published 50 WASHBURN L.J. 109 (2010)

*The Struggling Class: Replacing an Insider White Female Middle Class Dream with a Struggling Black Female Reality,*

--Published 18 AMERICAN UNIVERSITY JOURNAL OF GENDER, SOCIAL POLICY AND THE LAW 725 (2010)

*The Obama Election and a Blacker America: Lawfully Creating Tension for Change,*

--Published 1 FAULKNER LAW REVIEW 187 (2010)

*(Re)Sculpting a Movement in the Classroom: Post-Obama Inauguration Challenges for Educators for Change,*

--Published 1 JOURNAL OF RACE, GENDER, AND POVERTY, Southern University Law Center 51 (2009-10)

*Why Punished for Speaking President Obama's Name within the Schoolhouse Gates? And can educators constitutionally truth-en marketplace of ideas about Blacks?* with co-author Tiffany R. Paige

--Published 35 THURGOOD MARSHALL LAW REVIEW 57 (2009)

*Donning Judicial Robes, Cloaking Racial Views: Judicial Speech on Matters Involving Race, Especially on the Jena Six*, with coauthors Evelyn Holden and Ke Yuan

--Published 36 SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW 207 (2009)

*The State as Batterer: Learning from Family Law to Address America's Family-Like Racial Dysfunction*  
--Published 20 UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA JOURNAL OF LAW AND PUBLIC POLICY 33 (2009)

*Loss of Innocence* (essay)

--Published in book, *LAW TOUCHED OUR HEARTS: A GENERATION REMEMBERS BROWN V. Bd. OF EDUCATION*, EDITED BY M.W. ROBINSON AND R.J. BONNIE (Vanderbilt 2009)

*Encyclopedia Entry, Wood v. Strickland*

--Published in *ENCYCLOPEDIA OF THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES*, D. TANENHAUS, ED. IN CHIEF (Macmillan Reference 2008)

*Encyclopedia Entry, NAACP v. Claiborne Hardware*

--Published in *ENCYCLOPEDIA OF THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES*, D. TANENHAUS, ED. IN CHIEF (Macmillan Reference 2008)

*Encyclopedia Entry, Paul v. Davis*

--Published in *ENCYCLOPEDIA OF THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES*, D. TANENHAUS, ED. IN CHIEF (Macmillan Reference 2008)

*Encyclopedia Entry, Speech in Public Schools*

--Published in *ENCYCLOPEDIA OF THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES*, D. TANENHAUS, ED. IN CHIEF (Macmillan Reference 2008)

*Reversing White Flight and Reversing Black Flight: Legal Integrative (In)Voluntary Movements Post PICS*, with co-author Dr. Jacqueline M. Jackson

--Published 34 THURGOOD MARSHALL LAW REVIEW 93 (2008)

Book Review, *Your Blues Ain't Like Mine*, by Bebe Moore Campbell (using literature to teach politics)

--Published in the *LAW AND POLITICS BOOK REVIEW* (an electronic periodical published by The Law and Courts Section, The American Political Science Association) (Vol. 18 no. 4, April 2008) 303-05

*It's Simple: How Diversity Benefits Whites and How Whites can Simply Benefit Diversity*

--Published 6 SEATTLE JOURNAL FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE Symposium issue 649 (2008)

*A Metaphorical Contract Between Blacker and Whiter America*

--Published 37 U. OF MEMPHIS LAW REVIEW 707 (2007)

*Seeking Different Treatment, or Seeking the Same Regard: Remarketing the Transracial Adoption Debate*

--Published 26 BOSTON COLLEGE THIRD WORLD LAW JOURNAL 97 (2006)

*Moving from Fear to Courage, and Replacing Preaching with Reaching*

--Published by the CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF RACE AND RACE RELATIONS, UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA LEVIN COLLEGE OF LAW (2006) [www.law.ufl.edu/centers/csrrr](http://www.law.ufl.edu/centers/csrrr)

*Law, Life and Literature: A critical reflection of life and literature to illuminate how laws of domestic violence, race, and class Bind black women: A critical reflection of Alice Walker's book The Third Life of Grange Copeland*, 42 HOWARD LAW JOURNAL 1 (1999)

--Reprinted in casebook, *Domestic Violence* by Nancy K.D. Lemon, page 150 (West 2005)

*To Whom this May Concern: Re: Brown III*

--Published 27 NORTH CAROLINA CENTRAL UNIVERSITY LAW JOURNAL 216 (2005)



*Voices and Choices: On Choosing to Stir from the Bottom (Marginalized Citizens and Globalization.*  
--Published, Introductory essay published in online book, DEMOCRACY AND GLOBALIZATION, SYMPOSIA ON DEMOCRACY SERIES, #4, EDITED BY CHARLES L. NIEMAN (2005),  
<http://upress.kent.edu/books/Nieman.htm>

*After the Election, Where do we go from here? (Op/ed piece)*  
--Published in the JACKSON ADVOCATE, Mississippi, November 11, 2004, at A4.

*Unchaining Ourselves from Chronic Illnesses . . .and Other New Slaveries (Health Op/ed piece)*  
--Published in THE REPORTER NEWSPAPER, Ohio, July 10, 2004, at B1.

*Unchaining ourselves from chronic illnesses, Parts I and II (Health Op/ed piece)*  
--Published in THE JACKSON ADVOCATE NEWSPAPER, Mississippi, June 24, 2004, at A12, and July 1, 2004, at A12.

*Why I Teach? (Op/ed piece)*  
--Published in THE LAW TEACHER at p. 12 (Fall 2003)

*Where Do We Go From Here? Indirect Affirmative Action and Direct Positive Action-the Way out of the New Slavery? (Op/ed piece)*  
--Published in THE REPORTER NEWSPAPER, Ohio, July 12, 2003, at A2

*Diversity: Do You Really Want It? (Essay)*  
--Published 21 LAW & INEQUALITY JOURNAL 415 (2003) (University of Minnesota)

*On Teaching Constitutional Law When my Race is in their Face (Essay).*  
--Published 21 LAW & INEQUALITY JOURNAL 215 (2003) (University of Minnesota)

*Law School Professors Comment on the Campus Boycott of Justice Clarence Thomas: Did they Do the Right Thing?*  
--Remarks published in JOURNAL OF BLACKS IN HIGHER EDUCATION, Autumn 2002, num. 37, p. 115, 118

*Risking Collaborative Learning*  
--Published, in THE LAW TEACHER (spring 2002), also available at  
<http://www.law.gonzaga.edu/ILST/newsletters/spring02/kupenda.htm>.

*For White Women: "Your Blues Ain't Like Mine," but we all hide our faces and cry: Literary illumination and questioning for black and white sister/friends.*  
--Published 22 BOSTON COLLEGE THIRD WORLD LAW JOURNAL 67 (2002)

*Aren't Two Parents Better than None, part II: Contractual and statutory basics for a "new" African American coparenting and joint adoption model, with coauthors A. Wallace, J. Travis, B. Dorsey and B. Guy*  
--Published 9 TEMPLE'S POLITICAL AND CIVIL RIGHTS LAW REVIEW 59 (1999)

*Law, Life and Literature: A critical reflection of life and literature to illuminate how laws of domestic violence, race, and class bind black women; A critical reflection of Alice Walker's book The Third Life of Grange Copeland*  
--Published 42 HOWARD LAW JOURNAL 1 (1998) (Lead Article)

*Law, Life and Literature: Using literature and life to expose transracial adoption laws as adoption on a one-way street*, with coauthors A. Thrash, J. Riley-Collins, L. Dukes, S. Lewis, and R. Dixon  
--Published 17 **BUFFALO PUBLIC INTEREST LAW JOURNAL** 43 (1998)

*A New Standing Requirement for First Amendment Litigants?: Bar Owners Resting on Their own Bottoms or still Resting on the Bare Bottoms of Nude Dancers*, with coauthors L. Barry and M. Fijman  
--Published 8 **BOSTON UNIVERSITY PUBLIC INTEREST LAW JOURNAL** 81 (1998)

*Remand Law: An Unfair Burden*, with coauthor W.L. Kidd  
--Published in volume 28, number 4, **TRIAL LAWYERS QUARTERLY** 14 (Summer/Fall 1998)

*Aren't Two Parents Better than None: Whether Two Single African American Adults (who are not in a traditional marriage or a romantic or sexual relationship with each other) should be allowed to jointly adopt and coparent African American children*  
--Published 35 **UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE JOURNAL OF FAMILY LAW** 703 (Fall 1997)

*Making Traditional Courses more Inclusive: Confessions of an African American female professor who attempted to crash all the barriers at once*  
--Published 31 **UNIVERSITY OF SAN FRANCISCO LAW REVIEW** 975 (Summer 1997)

*Why Isn't What's Good for the Goose, Also Good for the Gander?: Confronting the truth and reframing the affirmative action question.*  
--Published 24 **SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW** 141 (1997)

*Especially for Minorities: How to Prepare for Law School from the Inside Out*  
--Paper completed and distributed to prospective minority law students (1997-2006)

*Establishing Federal Appellate Jurisdiction*, with coauthor L.T. Munford  
--Published 11 **FIFTH CIRCUIT REPORTER** 313 (March 1994)

## PRESENTATIONS

*Tenured but Underrepresented Faculty: Healing, Transforming, and Defending from Attacks*

--Panel Presenter, American Association of University Professors (AAUP) Annual Conference on the State of Higher Education, Washington, DC., June 2016

*Fearless Color Confrontations: On Losing Dr. King, Rediscovering Dr. Cress, in Considering Judge Reeves' Uncensored Ruling, for an Updated Movement*

---Panel presenter, Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, June 2016

*Transforming Climates for the Academic Woman of Color: The Limitations of Race-Neutral Career-Life Balance Policies in Higher Education*

--Co-presenter with Dr. Loretta A. Moore and Dr. Deidre I. Wheaton, 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Feminist Legal Theory Conference at the University of Baltimore School of Law, March 2016

*Equality Lost in Time and Space: Examining the Race/Class Quandary through the lens of a course, a film, a book, a case and an unfinished movement*

---Presenter, Poverty Law Conference: Academic Activism, Seattle University School of Law, Seattle, Washington, February 2016

*Justice Clarence Thomas and his major First Amendment Jurisprudence*

--Lecture, Special topics course on the first quarter century of Justice Thomas' tenure on the Supreme Court, Department of Criminal Justice and Sociology at Jackson State University, Jackson, MS, February 2016

*Fearless Color Confrontations: On Losing Dr. King, Rediscovering Dr. Cress, in Considering Judge Reeves' Uncensored Ruling, for an Updated Movement*

---Panel presenter, American Association of Law Schools (AALS), *Civil Rights and Civil Movements in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Building Sustainable Movements for Social Change*, January 2016

*Emerging Voices in Workplace Law*

--Paper Commentator and Reviewer, American Association of Law Schools (AALS), January 2016

*Fearless Color Confrontations: On Losing Dr. King, Rediscovering Dr. Cress, in Considering Judge Reeves' Uncensored Ruling, for an Updated Movement*

--Presenter, *The Present and Future of Civil Rights Movements: Race and Reform in 21st Century America*, Conference hosted by Duke Law School and sponsored by the Center on Law, Race and Politics at Duke, Durham, North Carolina, November 2015

*The same call, shifting responses: Justice Clarence Thomas and his 25 years of responses to "The Open Letter from Federal Judge Leon Higginbotham (1991)"*

-- Co-Presenter with MC Law Librarian Stephen Parks and Staff Attorney Carlyn Hicks, Loyola University Chicago School of Law Sixth Annual Constitutional Law Colloquium, Chicago, Illinois, November 2015

*"Difficult Conversations (between women of color and white women academics)*

-- Panelist, *Contested Terrains; Women of Color, Feminisms, and Geopolitics*, 2015 Conference of The Association for Feminist Ethics and Social Theory, Clearwater Beach, Florida, October 2015

*Plenary Panel 2: Charting your Career (post-tenure)*

--Panelist, Ninth Annual Lutie Lytle Black Women Law Faculty Writing Workshop: *Advance Your Agenda, Build Your Brand and Chart Your Career*, Vanderbilt Law School, Nashville, Tennessee,

**July 2015**

*On Being Black and Female in the Classroom*

-- Invited Panelist, Ninth Annual Lutie Lytle Black Women Law Faculty Writing Workshop: Advance Your Agenda, Build Your Brand and Chart Your Career, Vanderbilt Law School, Nashville, Tennessee, July 2015

*'Truth and Reconciliation:' A Critical Step Following Race and Gender Discrimination in Tenure Wars to Further Institutional Transformation*

--Presenter with co-presenter Prof. Tamara F. Lawson (St. Thomas Univ. Sch. of Law), American Association of Law Schools (AALS) Conference, Washington, D.C., on the AALS Crosscutting Program, "The More Things Change...:Exploring Solutions to Persisting Discrimination in Legal Academia", January 2015

*Tulane Law School Forum on the Future of Law & Inequality*

--Plenary Panelist, Invited Guest, Remarks entitled, "Equality Lost in Time and Space: Examining the Race/Class Quandary through the lens of a course, a film, a book, a case and an unfinished movement," Tulane Law School Forum, New Orleans, Louisiana, November 2014

*Theorizing Identity in "Post-Identity" Classrooms*

--Panelist, Society of American Law Teachers, 2014 Teaching Conference, Legal Education in a Time of Change: Challenges & Opportunities, Las Vegas, Nevada, October 2014

*The Policy and Law of Disadvantage and Privilege*

--Chair and Panel Discussant, Mid-Atlantic Law and Society Conference, Thomas R. Kline School of Law of Drexel University, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, October 2014

*Tell it to the Court: Justice Clarence Thomas and his almost 25 years of responses to "The Open Letter from Federal Judge Leon Higginbotham (1991)*

--Presenter, Incubator Paper Presentation, 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Lutie A. Lytle Black Women Law Faculty Writers Workshop, University of Wisconsin Law School, Madison, Wisconsin, June 2014

*What's in a Name? Law, Feminism, and Identity*

-- Chair and Discussant of Session, Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, Minneapolis, Minnesota, May 2014

*Will the South Rise Again and, if so, in what Form?: Lessons about resisting the fear of cultural understanding*

--Presenter, International Research Forum-National Association of Hispanic and Latino Studies, Mississippi College, April 2014

*Introduction of Keynote Presentation*

--Moderator and Introduction, *The Law Review Symposium: Readdressing the Voting Rights Act, Where is our Nation after Shelby County v. Holder*, Mississippi College School of Law, March 2014

*A Black History Review*

--Black History Month Speaker, at Pilgrim Branch Missionary Baptist Church, Brandon, MS, February 2014

*Also delivered various other talks in church programs*

--Black History Program 2015, Introduction of Speaker Graduation Program 2014, etc.

*Work in Progress Session on the Fourteenth Amendment*

--Commentator, 2013 Northeastern People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, hosted by the University of Puerto Rico School of Law, December 2013

*Networking Challenges and Opportunities*

--Invited Panelist, discussing success strategies for faculty members from underrepresented groups, LatCrit-SALT (Society of American Law Teachers) Annual Junior Faculty Development Workshop, Chicago, Illinois, October 2013

*Roundtable, with other contributors to the book PRESUMED INCOMPETENT*

--Roundtable Presenter, brainstorming responsibilities of institutions, administrators and senior faculty in addressing inequities in the academy, 2013 Biennial LatCrit Critical Legal Theory Conference: Resistance Rising: Theorizing and Organizing Cross-Sector Movements, Chicago, Illinois, October 2013

*The Path to Academic Success*

--Presenter, MC Law R. Jess Brown Black Law Students' Association Academic Retreat, August 2013

*Discussing Contribution in PRESUMED INCOMPETENT*

--Plenary Panelist with other co-contributors from the book, at the Fourth Annual Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Women of Color Conclave, Virginia. This event funded by the National Science Foundation, is the largest national assembly of women faculty of color, representing all academic STEM disciplines, June 2013

*Women's Rights: Having it All*

--Session Chair and Discussant, Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, Boston, Massachusetts, May 30-June 2, 2013

*Roundtable discussing film and race and presenting ongoing work examining commercial speech, political speech, film, and hate speech*

--Presenter, Gonzaga Law School Conference, "The Pursuit of Justice: Understanding Hatred, Confronting Intolerance, Eliminating Inequality Conference," Spokane, April 2013

*Using Feathery Birds to Disguise Hateful Speech and Intent: Avatar and Citizen's United*

--Panel Presenter, "Race, Justice, and the Law Panel," Gonzaga Law School Conference, "The Pursuit of Justice: Understanding Hatred, Confronting Intolerance, Eliminating Inequality Conference," Spokane, April 2013

*Discussing contribution in PRESUMED INCOMPETENT*

--Speaker, Plenary Panel of several co-contributors to PRESUMED INCOMPETENT: THE INTERSECTIONS OF RACE AND CLASS FOR WOMEN IN ACADEMIA, GABRIELLA GUTIERREZ Y MUHS, YOLANDA FLORES NIEMANN, CARMEN G. GONZALEZ, AND ANGELA P. HARRIS, EDs. (Utah State University Press, 2012, also available on Amazon.com), at the Symposium of the Berkeley Journal of Gender, Law, and Justice, hosted by the University of California, Berkeley School of Law, held in honor of International Women's Day and Women's History Month, March 2013

*Are We There Yet? No . . . But I hope we are on our way*

--Speaker, honored by her local high school, Forest Hill High School, where 39 years ago was the first Black student to become Valedictorian at the school and delivered a Black History Month talk, February 2013

*Technological Cultural Disconnects, Impacts on Equality: USA Legal Discourse*

--Presenter, Plenary Paper Session II: Policy Papers, Fifth International Conference on Appropriate Technology, Pretoria, South Africa, November 2012

*On Teaching Class to Law Students*

--Panelist, Northeast People of Color Legal Scholarship 2012 Conference, Suffolk University Law School, Boston, Massachusetts, October 2012

*May It Please the Court? A Short Story*

--Presentation, University of Idaho College of Law 2012 Fall Conference of *the crit*, *Critical Legal Studies Journal*, October 2012

*Benefitting from Mid-Semester Revelations*

--Presenter, MC Law R. Jess Brown Black Law Students' Association (BLSA) Academic Retreat, September 2012

*Workshop on Constitutional Law: President Obama and the Courts: The Appointment Process*

--Panel Moderator, Southeastern Association of Law Schools 2012 Conference (SEALS), Amelia Island, Florida, August 2012

*Post-Civil Rights and Post Racial--Teaching and Training the Next Generation of Advocates*

--Discussion Group Panelist, Southeastern Association of Law Schools 2012 Conference (SEALS), Amelia Island, Florida, August 2012

*Race in America Then and Now: 'Post-Racial' Perspectives on the Civil Rights Movement*

--Lecturer, a nationally open, college course collaboration between the St. Paul, Minnesota Based, Higher Education Consortium for Urban Affairs and the Fannie Lou Hamer National Institute on Citizenship and Democracy at Jackson State University, June 2012

*Oral History Panel—Women in the Movement*

--Panelist, Fannie Lou Hamer National Institute on Citizenship and Democracy at Jackson State University, Institute's 2012 Student Summer Workshop, "The Southern Civil Rights Movement: The Pivotal Role of Young People," June 2012

*Steps in the college and high school students' journeys from high school, college and pre-law, to law school, to their beginning careers*

--Workshop Presenter, The Reuben V. Anderson Pre-Law Program's 5th Annual Summer Camp, Tougaloo College, Mississippi, June 2012

*The Burden of Being Black and Female in the Classroom*

--Plenary Panel Presenter, The Lutie Lytle Black Women Law Faculty Writing Workshop, Suffolk University Law School, Boston, Massachusetts, June 2012

*The Permanence of the "Reasonableness" of Governmental Racial Fear*

-- Thought in Progress Presenter, The Lutie Lytle Black Women Law Faculty Writing Workshop, Suffolk University Law School, Boston, Massachusetts, June 2012

*Panel of Section on Race, Class, and Ethnicity*

--Panel Discussant, Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago, April 2012

*Motherhood and the Constitution: (Re) Thinking the Power of Women to Facilitate Change*

--Paper Presenter, 8<sup>th</sup> International Globalization, Diversity, and Education Conference, Vancouver, Washington, February 2012

*Race Talk in the Age of Obama*

-- Panel Presenter, University of Florida, Levin College of Law, Journal of Law and Public Policy and the Center for the Study of Race and Race Relations, Panel Discussion, Gainesville, Florida, Feb. 2012

*Teaching Innovations*

-- Panel Moderator, AALS Annual Meeting, Workshop on the Future of the Legal Profession and Legal Education: Changes in Law Practice: Implications for Legal Education, Washington, D.C., January 2012

*Workshop Participant and note taker, The Academic Woman: Balancing Responsibilities, Expectations and Biases, JSUAdvance, Jackson State University, Jackson, Dec. 2011*

*Challenges of diversity in the workplace and tools for managing diversity,*

--Luncheon Speaker, Capitol Area Human Resources Association, Jackson, Mississippi, Nov. 2011

*“Oh Gosh...It’s November and I’m lost in all my classes!”—How to manage a Planned Panic!,”*

--Presentation at R. Jess Brown BLSA Meeting, Mississippi College School of Law, Nov. 2011

*First amendment jurisprudence the court overlooked in Citizens United: Hillary and Avatar, the films; How Birds of the Same Feather Flock Together*

--Paper Presenter, Loyola Constitutional Law Colloquium, Chicago, Oct. 2011

*(Re) Complexioning a Simple Tale: Race, Speech and Colored Leadership*

--Paper Presenter, LatCrit XVI, San Diego, CA, Oct. 2011

*How to Succeed in Law School*

--Workshop Presenter, R. Jess Brown BLSA 1L Academic Retreat, Mississippi College School of Law, August 2011

*Motherhood and the Constitution*

-- Paper Presenter, American Association of Law Schools Workshop on Women Rethinking Equality, Washington, D.C., June 2011

*Overcoming Challenges to One’s Scholarship Agenda*

--Presenter and External Summer Writing Retreat writing coach in residence, JSUAdvance Summer Writing Retreat (National Science Foundation), Canton, Mississippi, June 2011

*Oral history—Women in the Movement, What I did and what young women and girls can do today to help forge equality*

--Presenter, Fannie Lou Hamer Institute’s Student Summer Workshop, The Southern Civil Rights Movement: The Pivotal Role of Young People, Jackson State University, June 2011

*Academic War Strategies for Nonviolent Armies of One*

--Panel Presenter, Faculty Work Panel, American Association of University Professors, AAUP Conference on the State of Higher Education, Washington, D.C., June 2011

*Negotiating Social Mobility and Critical Citizenship: Professors at a Crossroads*

--Co-presenter with Dr. Michelle Deardorff, (JSU-Political Science), Southeastern-Southwestern-Midwestern Law Faculty of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, March 2011

*Constitutional Conflicts*

--Panel Discussant, Northeastern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Boston, November 2010

*Working papers session--evolving perspectives from Mississippi*

--Organizer, Moderator, and Writing Advisor for panel of papers of MC Law students and alumni from seminars, University of Denver Sturm College of Law, Denver, LatCrit Conference, October 2010 (presenters were former students Carlyn Hicks '10, Stephen Parks '10, Ke Yuan '08, and Justin Townley '10)

*A Rose is Still a Rose*

--Speaker, New Mount Zion M.B. Church, Jackson, Mississippi, Women's Day Program, Domestic Violence platform, October 2010

*Motherhood and the Constitution*

--Paper Presenter, Seton Hall University School of Law, New Jersey, Third National People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, September 2010

*Pipeline to Academy Program*

--Panelist, Seton Hall University School of Law, New Jersey, Third National People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, September 2010

*Motherhood and the Constitution*

--Presenter, Saint Mary's College, Notre Dame, Indiana, Women as Intercultural Leaders Conference, September 2010

*Strategies for becoming a lawyer*

--Presenter, 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Tougaloo College, Reuben V. Anderson Pre-Law Program Summer Camp for high school seniors and undergraduates interested in legal education, hosted by MC Law, co-presenter student research assistant Talibah-mawusi Smith, summer 2010

*Mock Constitutional Law class*

--Co-teacher, MC Law hosted Just the Beginning Foundation, co-taught with student research assistant Talibah-mawusi Smith, summer 2010

*Transformative Law*

--Roundtable Presenter, The Law and Society Association, Chicago, in May 2010

*Executive Power and the Constitution Panel*

--Discussant, Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2010

*Co-presenter, Retrospective 40 year examination of Police Shootings at Kent state and Jackson State,*

--Presenter, work in progress, with former students Terry Neyland (class of 2010) and Evelyn Holden (class of 2009), Southeast/Southwest People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, University of South Carolina School of Law, March 2010

*The International Praxis of Transformative Law and Radical Reframing in African American Families*

--Presenter, 4<sup>th</sup> Annual UCLA Critical Race Studies Symposium, Los Angeles, California, March 2010

*Opportunities for Excellence*

--Presenter, MC Law R. Jess Brown Chapter Black Law Students Association, Law Student for a Day, March 2010

*The Obama Administration: One Year Later*

--Panelist, Medgar Evers/Ella Baker Civil Rights Lecture Series, Tougaloo College, Mississippi, November 2009



*The State as Batterer: Learning from Family Law to Address America's Family-Like Race Dysfunction,*  
--Panelist, Communities of Justice, 2009 Concerned Philosophers for Peace Conference and University of Dayton Richard R. Baker Colloquium, November 2009

*Race, Class and Family*

--Presenter, LatCrit Conference, American University, Washington, D.C., October 2009

*The Obama Effect on the Legal Profession and Education*

--Panelist, Law Review Symposium, Barack Obama: Politics, Law & Policy, Texas Southern University, Thurgood Marshall School of Law, Houston, in October 2009

*A Blacker America: Lawfully Creating Tension for Change, also titled Another Chance for Change (a reflection on the Obama Presidency and what it means for America)*

--Presenter, Faulkner University, Montgomery, Alabama, Thomas Goode Jones School of Law-Fred Gray Civil Rights Symposium, The Obama Effect on the Legal Profession, in October 2009

*Ethnicity and Education*

--Panelist, Law Review Symposium, The Role of Lawyers of Color: Past, Present and Future, Texas Wesleyan University School of Law, Fort Worth, in October 2009

*A Blacker America: Lawfully Creating Tension for Change, also titled Another Chance for Change (a reflection on the Obama Presidency and what it means for America)*

--Keynote Speaker, Annual Fannie Lou Hamer Memorial Lecture Series Workshop, Jackson State University, Jackson, Mississippi, in October 2009

*Reducing the need for Affirmative Action*

--Panelist, Affirmative Action: Requiem or Renaissance Conference, Washburn University, Topeka, Kansas, in September 2009

*The State as Batterer: Learning from Family Law to Address America's Family-Like Race Dysfunction*

--Presenter, 31<sup>st</sup> International Congress on Law and Mental Health, New York University Law School, June/July 2009

*Comparative Cross-National Family and Gender Issues*

--Panel Moderator, 31<sup>st</sup> International Congress on Law and Mental Health, New York University Law School, Jun/July 2009

*From College Freshman to Successful Lawyer: Steps to Success*

--Presenter, Reuben V. Anderson Pre-Law Program, 2nd Annual Pre-Law Summer Camp, on Tougaloo and Mississippi College School of Law Campuses, June 2009

*Institutionalizing Access to Justice*

--Discussant, Law and Society Association, Denver, Colorado, May 2009

*On Reaching Your Goals.....*

--Remarks, University of Mississippi Black Law Students' Association Banquet, Oxford, Mississippi, May 2009

*Constitutional Law Resource*

--Collaborator with Indiana University, Computer Science Professor Raquel Hill, Ph.D. (one of the first Black Ph.Ds in computer Science from Harvard) who is engaged in research creating technology

to protect the privacy rights of medical patients in collaboration with Jackson State University Computer Science Chair and Professor Loretta A. Moore, Ph.D. (IIT, Chicago), June 2009

--Collaborator with Jackson State University, Computer Science Department, on several National Science Foundation grants with goals of improving diversity in certain disciplines and addressing issues of gender in Historically Black Colleges and Universities, August – May 2010

*Success Strategies*

--Commencement Program Speaker, Pilgrim Branch M.B. Church, Brandon, MS May 2009

*Law and Jurisprudence: The Haves and the Have Nots in the Legal System*

--Panel Discussant, Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois, April 2009

*The Struggling Class: Replacing the White Female Middle Class Dream with a Struggling Black Female Reality*

--Panelist, Southeast/Southwest Law Faculty of Color Scholarship Conference, Phoenix School of Law, March 2009

*Blacker America: Lawfully Creating Tension for Change, also titled Another Chance for Change (a reflection on the Obama Presidency and what it means for America)*

--Roundtable participant, African American Historical Research & Preservation 2009 Black History Conference, Seattle University, March 2009

*Blacker America: Lawfully Creating Tension for Change, also titled Another Chance for Change (a reflection on the Obama Presidency and what it means for America)*

--Invited Speaker, Southwest Minnesota State University in Marshall, Minnesota, in February 2009

*Blacker America: Lawfully Creating Tension for Change, also titled Another Chance for Change (a reflection on the Obama Presidency and what it means for America)*

--Invited Speaker, Minnesota West Community and Technical College, in Worthington, Minnesota, in February 2009

*The Civil Rights Movement and the Law, Then and Now*

--Led Class Discussion, Turbulent Sixties Course, Minnesota West Community and Technical College, in Worthington, Minnesota, in February 2009

*A Children's March for the Past and Future, Celebrating Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday*

--Narrator, Pilgrim Branch Missionary Baptist Church, Brandon, Mississippi, January 2009

*Survival Strategies*

--Speaker, Magnolia Bar Judicial Symposium for Black Law Student Associations in Mississippi, January 2009

*Academic War Strategies for Women of Color*

--Panel Presentation, Association of Black Women in Higher Education, Princeton University, October 2008

*From 1808: A 200+years journey from contract chattel to metaphorical contract negotiator*

--Presentation, The University of Toledo College of Law, Ohio, Conference Commemorating the 1808 federal prohibition on importing slaves, October 2008

*Women are in the House: Interdisciplinary Explorations of Social Justice Movements*

-Panel Moderator, Annual Fannie Lou Hamer Memorial Lecture Series Workshop, Jackson State University, Jackson, Mississippi, October 2008

*The State as Batterer: Learning from Family Law to Address America's Family-Like Race Dysfunction,*  
--Presentation, Northeast People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, Boston University School of Law, September 2008

*Converting Challenging Conversations in the Classroom into Learning Opportunities*  
--Plenary Presentation, 2008 American Association of Law Schools, Workshop for New Law Teachers, June 2008

*Teaching Specialty Courses*  
--Small group leader, 2008 American Association of Law Schools, Workshop for New Law Teachers, June 2008

*Diversity and Education Workshop*  
--Workshop, Organizer and Faculty Chair, Mississippi College School of Law, May 2008

*The State as Batterer: Learning from Family Law to Address America's Family-Like Race Dysfunction,*  
--Presentation, Law and Society Association, Montreal Canada, May 2008  
--Presentation, Visiting Scholar, University of Florida, Levin College of Law, Gainesville, February 2008  
--Presentation, International Society of Family Law, North American Regional Conference, Vancouver, Canada, June 2007

*An Educator's Affirmative and Constitutionally Supported Duty: Promoting Positive Race Speech*  
--Presentation, Invited Session of the Women of Color Caucus, 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Southeastern Women's Studies Association Meeting, University of North Carolina, Charlotte, April 2008  
--Presentation, Joint Conference of the Asian Pacific American Law Faculty and the Western Law Teachers of Color, University of Denver, Strum College of Law, April 2008

*Taking Risks when Your Presence Puts you at Risk: Guidelines for Women and Faculty of Color*  
--Panel Presentation, Society of American Law Teachers' Teaching Conference, University of California, Berkeley School of Law, March 2008

*It's Simple: How Diversity Benefits Whites and How Whites can Simply Benefit Diversity*  
--Presentation, at *Brown Undone? Seattle School District Symposium*, Seattle University School of Law, February 2008

*Potential of the Law for Realizing Equality: Past, Present and Future*  
--Lecturer/Panelist, Medgar Evers/Ella Baker Civil Rights Lecture Series, Jackson State University, Jackson, Mississippi, December 2007

*Race, Professionalism, Ethics and Moral Commitment*  
--Invited Fellow, National Institute for Teaching Ethics and Professionalism Workshop, Georgia State University, November 2007

*Diversity and Education*  
--Visiting Scholar, Acadia University, Nova Scotia, Canada, and Presenter, Dalhousie Law School, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada, October 2007

*Examining the Black Female Struggling Class through the lens of Life and Literature*  
--Presentation, 2007 Obermann Humanities Symposium, From Bourgeois to Boojie; Black Middle Class Performances, University of Iowa, October 2007

*Race, Gender and Class*

--Presentation, ClassCrits II Workshop: Toward a Critical Legal Analysis of Economic Inequality, Baldy Center for Law & Social Policy, University at Buffalo Law School, New York, May 2007

*An Affirmative Response to Hate Speech: Promoting Positive Race Speech as a Policy Solution*

--Presentation, Northeastern People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, Southern New England School of Law, Massachusetts, September 2007

--Presentation, Southeastern/Southwestern Law Faculty of Color Conference, Florida A & M University College of Law, Orlando, Florida, March 2007

--Presentation, Third International Globalization, Diversity and Education Conference, Washington State University, Spokane, Washington, March 2007

--Presentation, Heresy, Blasphemy, and Freedom of Expression, an International, Multi-Disciplinary Conference, University of Central Florida, Orlando, January 2007

*Striving for Balance: Racial Sensitivity, Fairness, and Recognition*

--Panelist, R. Jess Brown Chapter of the Black Law Students' Association Black History Program, Mississippi College School of Law, February 2007

*How to Raise and Discuss Issues of Race in the Classroom*

--Co-moderator of session, Society of American Law Teachers' Teaching Conference, Boston, Massachusetts, September 2006

*Will you be a Player, or will you be Played in the Legal System*

--Constitutional Day Speaker, Alcorn State University, Lorman, MS, September 2006

*Dispelling Misconceptions (On Teaching Race in Mainstream Courses)*

--Presentation on teaching, New Ideas for Law School Teachers: Teaching Intentionally, American Association of Law Schools Conference, Vancouver Canada, June 2006

*A Metaphorical Contract Between Blacker and Whiter America*

--Work in Progress Presentation, Southeast/Southwest People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, Santa Fe, New Mexico, April 2006

--Paper Idea Presentation, International Inaugural Spring Contracts Conference, Diversity of Contract Law, Fort Worth, Texas, February 2006

--Panelist, Fourth Biennial International Conference, on Intercultural Research, Kent State University, May 2005

*Inaugural Fellow, National Institute for Teaching Ethics and Professionalism, Georgia State University, (race and professionalism) September 2005*

*Full Citizenship Rights: Are We There Yet?*

--Constitutional/Citizenship Day Speaker, Jackson State University, September 2005

*On keeping the torch glowing . . .*

--Speaker, R. Jess Brown Black Law Students' Association Graduation Banquet, Mississippi College School of Law, May 2005

*Seeking Different Treatment, or Seeking the Same Regard: Remarketing the Transracial Adoption Debate*

--Invited Panelist, Boston College Third World Law Journal Symposium, March 2005

*Moving from Fear to Courage, and Replacing Preaching with Reaching*

--Invited Panelist, Race and the Law Curriculum Workshop, University of Florida Levin College of Law, February 2005

*To Whom this May Concern: Re: Brown III*

--Responder, Mississippi College School of Law, Brown v. Bd. of Education Program, October 2004

*Voices and Choices: On Choosing to Stir from the Bottom (Marginalized Citizens and Globalization).*

--Invited Discussant, Fourth Annual Symposium on Democracy, Kent State University, April 2003

*Distinguished Visiting Professor of Teaching Excellence*, consultant to the faculty with emphasis on diversity in legal education, Franklin Pierce Law Center, Concord, NH, January - May 2001

--*Addressing Issues of Diversity in the Classroom: Do We Really Want "It"?* Presented Faculty/Administrators workshop, February 2001

--*One Black Woman's Story: Lessons from the past for understanding for the future.* Speaker for Black Law Students' Association Black History Program, February 2001

--*Diversity, Part II: Constructing "Our Path" to Diversity.* Presented Faculty/Administrators workshop, April 2001

*Scholar-in-Residence.* Pine Manor Women's College, Chestnut Hill, MA, August – December 2000.

--*Addressing Issues of Diversity in the Classroom, Do You Really Want It?* Presented Faculty/Administrators workshop, November 2000

--*Preparing for and Surviving Law School.* Panelist on Student workshop, November 2000.

--*Seeing the "I" in Us: On race, gender, the law and change.* Lectured in Women and the Law class, November 2000

*For White Women: "Your Blues Ain't Like Mine," but we all hide our faces and cry: Literary illumination and questioning for black and white sister/friends*

--Delivered a public lecture as an invited scholar at Stephen F. Austin University, Nagadoches, Texas in April 2000. The visit and lecture were sponsored by the College of Liberal Studies and the Department of Sociology

*Law, Life and Literature: The law, race and domestic violence.*

--Delivered a public lecture as an invited scholar at Florida International University, Miami, Florida in March 2000. The visit and lecture were sponsored by the University's Women's Studies Center and the African New World Studies Program

*Different, Challenged, But Determined.*

--Served as a Keynote Speaker on a Leadership Forum for Black Professionals at the Maudsley Hospital, London, England, September 1999

*Visiting Professor, Notre Dame Law School, Notre Dame, IN,*

--Received *Charles F. Crutchfield Professorial Excellence Award* in April 2002.

--*Uniting the Young Leaders of Tomorrow*, Panelist at the 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Black Law Students of Notre Dame Alumni Weekend, April 2002

--*I Can Do It!*, Presented on Minority Law Recruitment Day (for high school students), February 2002.

--*Especially for Minorities: How to Prepare for Law School from the Inside Out*, Presented at Minority Law Forum (for college students), in November 2001

--*Succeeding in Law School*, Presented for First Year Black Law Students, September 2001

*Law, Life and Literature: A critical reflection of life and literature to illuminate how laws of domestic violence, race, and class bind black women; A critical reflection of Alice Walker's book*

***The Third Life of Grange Copeland***

--Presented at Fourth Annual Mid-Atlantic Law Faculty of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, Rutgers-Camden Law School, Camden, New Jersey, February 1998

--Presented at the Gender, Sexuality and Law Conference held at Keele University, Staffordshire, England, June 1998

--Presented at the Eighth Symposium of the International Association of Women Philosophers, Boston University, August 1998

--Presented at the International Critical Legal Studies Conference, Lancaster University, Lancaster, United Kingdom, September 1998

--Presented at Women and Power Conference, Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro, Tennessee, February 1999

--Presented at Visible Women and Southern History II Conference, Louisiana State University, Shreveport, Louisiana, October 1999

***Law, Life and Literature: Using literature and life to expose transracial adoption laws as adoption on a one-way street***

--Presented at 1999 International Critical Legal Studies Conference, Birbeck College, University of London, England, September 1999

***Conversations: Grading Law Faculty of Color***

--Facilitator for Mid-Atlantic Faculty of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, Penn State-Dickinson School of Law, Carlisle, PA, February 2001

***One black woman's story: Lessons from the past for understanding for the future.***

--Delivered a lecture to the Experimental Race Relations Class at Mississippi College, Jackson, Mississippi in April 2000

***Aren't Two Parents Better than None: Whether Two Single African American Adults (who are not in a traditional marriage or a romantic or sexual relationship with each other) should be allowed to jointly adopt and coparent African American children***

--Presented at Third Annual Mid-Atlantic Law Faculty of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, University of Louisville, Louisville, Kentucky, February 1997

--Presented at International Critical Legal Studies Conference, Lancaster University, Lancaster, United Kingdom, September 1998

--Presented at National Conference on the Black Family in America, University of Louisville, Louisville, Kentucky, March 1999

--Discussed as guest on the Community Connection Radio Talk Show, WLOU 1350 AM, gospel Louisville, Kentucky, March 1999

--Presented at International Society of Family Law Conference (North American Region), Albuquerque, New Mexico, June 1999

--Presented at 24th International Association of Law and Mental Health Congress, University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada, June 1999

***Making Traditional Courses more Inclusive: Confessions of an African American female professor who attempted to crash all the barriers at once.***

--Presented at the University of San Francisco Symposium on Legal Education in memory of Professor Trina Grillo, San Francisco, California, March 1997

--Presented at Tougaloo College, Tougaloo, Mississippi, pre-law seminar class (along with giving advice on preparing for law school and law practice), February 1998

--Presented at Pine Manor College's Center for Inclusive Leadership and Social Responsibility, Conference on New Ways of Learning and Leading in the Classroom, the Workplace and the Community, Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts, April 1998

--Presented at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, People of Color in Predominantly White Institutions Conference, Lincoln, Nebraska, April 1998

*Black Women in the New South.*

--Moderator of panel at the 24th International Association of Law and Mental Health Congress, University of Toronto, Canada, June 1999

*Ways Women Thrive in the Legal Academy.*

--Panel presentation at the invitational "Summit on Women in Legal Education: Gentlemen No More," November 1997, Mills College, Oakland, California

*Especially for Minorities: How to Prepare for Law School from the Inside Out*

--Presented to Pre Law seminar Class at Tougaloo College, Tougaloo, Mississippi, in February 1998

--Presented at Minority Pre Law Day, at Mississippi College School of Law, Jackson, Mississippi, in February 1998

--Presented at Minority Pre Law Day, at Mississippi College School of Law, Jackson, Mississippi, in February 1999

--Presented to Pre Law seminar class at Tougaloo College, Tougaloo, Mississippi, in November 1999

--Presented to Pre Law seminar class at Jackson State University, Jackson, Mississippi, in November 1999

--Presented at Minority Pre Law Day, at Mississippi College School of Law, Jackson, Mississippi, in February 2000

--Presented at the R. Jess Brown Black Law Students' Academic Retreat, Fall 2004.

--Presented at Minority Pre Law Day, for Mississippi College School of Law/ University of Mississippi School of Law, Jackson, Mississippi, in February 2005

--Presented at Minority Pre Law Day, for Mississippi College School of Law/ University of Mississippi School of Law, Jackson, Mississippi, in February 2006

*Establishing Federal Appellate Jurisdiction by Filing A Timely and Effective Notice of Appeal or Petition*

--Presented at Continuing Legal Education Seminar, State and Federal Appellate Practice Seminar, sponsored by Mississippi College School of Law, Jackson, Mississippi, February 1994

*State and Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure.*

--Presentation at Civil Trial Procedures Seminar sponsored by National Business Institute, Jackson, Mississippi, January 1995

*Appeals in Circuit and Chancery Courts.*

--Presentation at Appellate Practice Seminar sponsored by Mississippi College School of Law, Jackson, Mississippi, March 1995

## **STUDENT PUBLICATIONS, PRESENTATIONS, and WRITING COMPETITION HONORS**

NOTE: It can be very unusual in legal education for law students to co-author with a professor, make academic presentations, publish their own papers, and win student writing competitions. This also rarely happens when the students are not white, or are not in the top 10% of the class or on law review. Fortunately, my experiences with my students have been different. I have had many of the students I mentor and advise to publish, present and win competitions. Furthermore, most of these students are not in the top 10% of the class and most are not on law review. All are exceptionally committed lawyers and lawyers-to-be, energetic scholars, and many are Black or other students of color or first generation lawyers to be.

Listed below are:

- Co-Publications with students and former students
- Student Publications of work that originated in seminars I taught, or papers I advised
- Student Writing Competition Wins, papers originated in seminars I taught or work I advised
- Co-Presentations with and presentations of students and former students that I advised

### **Co-Publications with students and former students**

*Political Invisibility of Black Women: Still Suspect but No Suspect Class*, co-authored with former students Letitia Simmons Johnson and Ramona Seabron-Williams

--Published 50 Washburn L.J. 109 (2010)

*Why Punished for Speaking President Obama's Name within the Schoolhouse Gates? And can educators constitutionally truth-en marketplace of ideas about Blacks?*, co-authored with former student Tiffany R. Paige

--Published 35 Thurgood Marshall Law Review 57 (2009)

*Donning Judicial Robes, Cloaking Racial Views: Judicial Speech on Matters Involving Race, Especially on the Jena Six*, co-authored with former students Evelyn Holden and Ke Yuan

--Published 36 Southern University Law Review 207 (2009)

*Aren't Two Parents Better than None, part II: Contractual and statutory basics for a "new" African American coparenting and joint adoption model*, co-authored with former students Angelia Wallace, Jamie Travis, Brandon Dorsey and Bryant Guy

--Published 9 Temple's Political and Civil Rights Law Review 59 (1999)

*Law, Life and Literature: Using literature and life to expose transracial adoption laws as adoption on a one-way street*, co-authored with former students Adam Thrash, Jennifer Riley-Collins, Lashondra Dukes, Stephany Lewis, and Rodney Dixon

--Published 17 Buffalo Public Interest Law Journal 43 (1998)

*A New Standing Requirement for First Amendment Litigants?: Bar Owners Resting on Their own Bottoms or still Resting on the Bare Bottoms of Nude Dancers*, co-authored with former students Leslie Barry and Mark Fijman

--Published 8 Boston University Public Interest Law Journal 81 (1998)



**Student Publications of work that originated in seminars I taught, or papers I advised**

**Student Paper published: Nikita McMillian, *The Best Casenote Award, From Loving Mother to Welfare Queen to Drug Addict? Lebron v. Sec'y. Fla. Dep't of Children & Families and the Evolving Public View of the Poor as a Class of Sub-humans with Sub-rights*, \_\_\_\_ Miss. Coll. L. Rev. \_\_\_\_ (forthcoming 2016).**

**Student paper published: Rasheena Latham, *Who Really Murdered Trayvon? A Critical Analysis of the Relationship Between Institutional Racism in the Criminal Justice System and Trayvon Martin's Death*, 8 Southern Journal of Policy and Justice 80 (2014)**

**Student paper published: J.D. Cooley, *Baby Girl's Fate: Adoptive Couple v. Baby Girl - Placing a Child's Chosen Parental Path in the Hands of the United States Supreme Court*, 8 Southern Journal of Policy and Justice 99 (2014)**

**Student paper published: Monica Moore (sophomore, Jackson State University), *Black Female Contortionists: Learning from Fiction, Examining the Psychological Mindsets, and Aiming to Untwist and Stand up Straight, in Fact, in STEM*, National Association of African American Studies & Affiliates Conference, 2014 Monograph Series page 1781 (2014)**

**Student paper published: Jou-Chi Ho, *The Call for, and Role of, Asian Lawyers in the Deep South*, 12 Seattle Journal for Social Justice 843 (2014)**

**Student paper published: J.D. Cooley, Casenote, *You've Been Generally Warned--Smoking is Bad: R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. v. Food and Drug Administration and the Fight over Graphic Warning Images in the First Amendment Context*, 33 Mississippi College Law Review 89 (2014)**

**Student paper published: Ahmad R. Smith, *Saving Jamal to Save America: Presidential Authority to Decriminalize the Future Male Majority*, 49 Gonzaga Law Review 83 (2013-14)**

**Student paper published: Ahmad R. Smith, *"Too Much of a Good Thing?": Questioning constitutionality of a legislative body requiring DNA testing for all felony arrestees*, 7 Southern Region BLSA (SRBLSA) Law Journal 75 (2013)**

**Student paper published: Ahmad R. Smith, *"Tough on Crime" vs. "Smart on Crime": What's the Difference?*, 2012 Fall Conference Issue of 6 the crit, Critical Legal Studies Journal 78 (University of Idaho College of Law) (2013)**

**Student paper published: Jou-Chi Ho, *Unfulfilled Promises, Plyler at age 30, Educating to Deport*, Conference of the National Association of African American Studies, National Association of Hispanic and Latino Studies, National Association of Native American Studies, and International Association of Asian Studies (NAAAS & Affiliates), Monograph Series 348 (2013)**

**Student paper published: Justin Townley, *Is the Color of the Economic Crisis the Color of Presidential Fear?*, 22 Berkeley La Raza Law Journal 51 (2012)**

**Student paper published: Talibah-mawusi Smith, *When the well runs dry dig deeper, A case for funding the public library, a necessary resource for the public minority*, 22 Berkeley La Raza Law Journal 137 (2012)**

**Student paper published: Talibah-mawusi Smith, *The Dilemma of Writing While Black*, 4 the crit, Critical Legal Studies Journal 73 (University of Idaho Journal) (2011)**

Publication was based in part on work completed as student: Stephen Parks, *The Birthers' Attacks and the Judiciary's Article III "Defense" of the Obama Presidency*, 38 Southern University Law Review 179 (2011)

Student Writing Competition Wins, papers originated in seminars I taught or work I advised

Student Jou-Chi Ho won The Scribes award at Mississippi College School of Law for his excellence in legal writing, spring 2014.

Student papers by 3L La'Toyia Slay and 3L Lenderrick Taylor won 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Places in National Law Student Writing Competition, sponsored annually by the Southeast/Southwest Law Faculty of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, open to all law students, February 27–March 2, 2014, in Houston, Texas. Slay won First Place, for her paper titled, *A Letter to My Nephew: An Overview of the Racial and Legal Impact of Major Cases and Controversies throughout America in 2013*. Slay was awarded a financial award, a trophy, and conference sponsored travel and accommodations to attend and present to law faculty, deans and attorneys from around the country. Lenderrick Taylor won Third place and was awarded a gift and recognized at the conference. His paper was titled, *"Racial Stereotype and the more evil cousin of Racial Profiling."*

Student paper by an undergraduate mentee, Monica Moore (class of 2016, Jackson State University), titled *"Black Female Contortionists"* won a financial award, placing in the undergraduate student research and writing competition of the National Association of African American Studies & Affiliates Conference, held in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, February 12-15, 2014.

Student papers by 2L Jou-Chi Ho and 3L Ahmad R. Smith won 2nd and 3rd Places in National Law Student Writing Competition sponsored annually by the Southeast/Southwest Law Faculty of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, open to all law students. Ho's Second Place win of a financial award and trophy was for his paper, *A Fresh Look at Plyler v. Doe: Demanding Special, Consistent, Consideration for Plyler Students, using Immigration Law, Contract Law, Tort Law, and Criminal Law*. Smith's Third Place won a gift, for his paper, *Saving Jamal to Save America: Presidential Authority to Decriminalize the Future Male Majority*, April 2013.

Student Ahmad R. Smith won The Scribes award at Mississippi College School of Law for his excellence in legal writing, spring 2013.

Student paper by Tchanavia Bryant, *Bringing the Poor out of the Shadows of the Middle Class*, NAAAS & Affiliates Graduate Research Competition, received an award of recognition and a financial award, as paper tied for one of the top three papers in the national competition, February 2013.

Student paper by Ijeoma Ike, *Transforming the American Spirit: Quickening Our Pulse with Presidential Authority through the Arts*, won Second Place in the 2012 Southeast/Southwest Law Faculty of Color Legal Scholarship Conference National Law Student Writing Competition, March 2012.

Student paper by Theresa Neyland, *Pardon Me, Mr. Obama: The Presidential Pardon Power and Immigration Amnesty*, won First Place in the 2010 Southeast/Southwest Law Faculty of Color Legal Scholarship Conference National Law Student Writing Competition and was presented at the conference, March 2010. Student paper by Stephen Park, *Dear Mr. Obama: Deliver the Birth Certificate. . . . But Only if*, won Second Place in the 2010 Southeast/Southwest Law Faculty of Color Legal Scholarship Conference National Law Student Writing Competition, March 2010.

### **Co-Presentations with and presentations of students and former students that I advised**

Undergraduate Mentee, Monica Moore (Jackson State University), presented *Psychology and Career Goals go to Church: Black Female Marital/ Career Expectations—Delicate Considerations*, research proposal, at the 12th annual Mississippi College - Tougaloo College Undergraduate Research Symposium, in April 2015.

Student Jou-Chi Ho presented at the Symposium of the crit, Critical Legal Studies Journal at the University of Idaho College of Law, April 5, 2014. Ho's paper was titled, *A Fresh Look at Plyler v. Doe: Demanding Special, Consistent, Consideration for Plyler Students, Using Immigration Law, Contract Law, Tort Law, and Criminal Law*. Ho was a guest presenter to the symposium, with the University of Idaho paying his travel and accommodation expenses.

Student La'Toyia Slay presented a paper at the Southeast/Southwest Law Faculty of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, held February 27–March 2, 2014, in Houston, Texas. Slay's paper won First Place in the national law student writing conference sponsored by the conference. Her paper is titled, *A Letter to My Nephew: An Overview of the Racial and Legal Impact of Major Cases and Controversies throughout America in 2013*, Slay was awarded a financial award, a trophy, and conference sponsored travel and accommodations to attend and present to law faculty, deans and attorneys from around the country.

Student Rasheena Latham presented a paper at the Southern Region BLSA 2014 Convention held February 12-16, 2014, in Jacksonville, Florida. Latham presented her publication, *Who Really Murdered Trayvon? A Critical Analysis of the Relationship Between Institutional Racism in the Criminal Justice System and Trayvon Martin's Death*, 8 SOUTHERN JOURNAL OF POLICY AND JUSTICE 80 (2014).

Undergraduate student mentee, Monica Moore (sophomore, Jackson State University), presented her paper, *Black Female Contortionists*, and won a financial award, placing in the undergraduate student research and writing competition of the National Association of African American Studies & Affiliates conference, held in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, February 2014. Moore's paper was published in the conference's monograph series.

Student Jou-Chi Ho presented his paper, *The Call for, and Role of, Asian Lawyers in the Deep South*, will be published in 12 Seattle Journal for Social Justice 843 (2014), in October 2013 at the LatCrit Symposium conference held in Chicago. His paper was subsequently accepted for publication in the symposium journal.

Jou-Chi Ho's scholarly work was accepted for presentation at the Law & Society Association Annual Meeting and Conference, Boston, May 2013. Ho presented on a panel with law professors and the panel was themed, "Current Controversies in American Constitutional Law." Ho's presentation provided a summary of his two papers, *Unfulfilled Promises, Plyler at age 30, Educating to Deport* (now published), and his paper, *A Fresh Look at Plyler v. Doe: Demanding Special, Consistent, Consideration for Plyler Students, using Immigration Law, Contract Law, Tort Law, and Criminal Law*.

Student Ahmad Smith accepted a publication offer for his extended law review article, *Saving Jamal to Save America: Presidential Authority to Decriminalize the Future Male Majority*, for publication in a forthcoming issue of the Gonzaga Law Review and presented at the Gonzaga Law School conference, "The Pursuit of Justice: Understanding Hatred, Confronting Intolerance, Eliminating Inequality Conference," April 2013.

Three fall 2012 seminar students presented at the Conference of the National Association of African American Studies, National Association of Hispanic and Latino Studies, National Association of Native

American Studies, and International Association of Asian Studies (NAAAS & Affiliates), Baton Rouge, LA. Then 3L Tchanavia Bryant presented her scholarship on poverty and presidential authority, 2L Jou-Chi Ho presented his work on immigration reform, undocumented students and presidential authority, 3L Ahmad R. Smith presented his legal scholarship on the criminal justice system, shifting demographics of the American population, and presidential authority. All three also moderated other panels at the conference, February 2013.

Ahmad R. Smith, a 3L at the time, and I had articles accepted for publication and presented their forthcoming publications as invited guests at the University of Idaho College of Law 2012 Fall Conference of *the crit, Critical Legal Studies Journal*. The papers were published in this journal. The conference theme was *Deconstructionism*, Ahmad Smith's paper is titled, *Tough on Crime v. Smart on Crime: What's the Difference?*, Conference was held October 2012.

*Working papers session--evolving perspectives from Mississippi*, University of Denver Sturm College of Law, Denver, LatCrit Conference, October 2010. I was the Faculty Organizer, Moderator, and Writing Advisor for panel of papers of MC Law students and recent alumni from my seminars; Presenters were former students Carlyn Hicks, Stephen Parks, Ke Yuan, and Justin Townley.

*Strategies for becoming a lawyer*, 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Tougaloo College, Reuben V. Anderson Pre-Law Program Summer Camp for high school seniors and undergraduates interested in legal education, summer 2010. I was a Co-presenter with student research assistant Talibah-mawusi Smith.

*Mock Constitutional Law class*, MC Law hosted Just the Beginning Foundation, Summer 2010. I Co-taught with student research assistant Talibah-mawusi Smith, Summer 2010.

*Retrospective 40 year examination of Police Shootings at Kent State and Jackson State*, Southeast/Southwest People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, University of South Carolina School of Law, March 2010. I was co-presenter with student Terry Neyland, and former student Evelyn Holden who had helped with the research.

*The Obama Effect on the Legal Profession and Education*, Law Review Symposium, Barack Obama: Politics, Law & Policy, Texas Southern University, Thurgood Marshall School of Law, Houston, October 2009. I was co-panelist with former student Tiffany R. Paige.

## HONORS AND PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Mississippi Bar (admitted September 1991)  
District of Columbia Bar (admitted March 1993, inactive status)  
American Bar Association (since 1991)  
Magnolia Bar Association (since 1993)  
National Bar Association (since 1993)  
Society of American Law Teachers, member (since 2005)  
Association of Black Women in Higher Education, member (since 2007)  
Legacy Attorney Mentor, recognized by PORTICO Magazine in Annual Legal Issue, 2016  
Magnolia Bar Association, Government Service Award, 2015  
Mississippi College Distinguished Professor Nominee for Law School, 2015  
Mississippi College School of Law Shirley Norwood Jones Faculty Collegiality Award, 2014  
Peer Reviewer, the African Journal of Science, Technology, Innovation and Development, 2013  
Honored at a reception hosted by R. Jess Brown Chapter of the Black Law Students Association and Alumni, in recognition of student success in legal scholarship and contributions to student success in scholarship, presented an award “for her dedicated service to her students over the many years,” March 2013  
R. Jess Brown Chapter of the Black Law Students Association, MC Law, Faculty award, in numerous years, including 2012  
External Advisor, *JSU Advance* (National Science Foundation grant to improve status of women in STEM and Social and Behavioral Sciences disciplines at HBCU) 2010-11  
MC Law Dean’s Faculty Professionalism Award 2009-10  
Fellow (race and professionalism), National Institute for Teaching Ethics and Professionalism (Georgia State University) 2007  
Inaugural Fellow (race and professionalism), National Institute for Teaching Ethics and Professionalism (Georgia State University) 2005  
Charles F. Crutchfield Professorial Excellence Award, Notre Dame Law School, 2002

## LAW SCHOOL COMMITTEE AND RELATED ASSIGNMENTS

Faculty Promotion and Tenure Committee, served for over 10 years and 2015- currently serving  
Scholarship Committee (Faculty Development), 2015- currently serving  
Special Committee on Student Learning Outcomes/Assessment, 2015- currently serving  
Dean’s Minority Advisory Board, founding member since 2006, Chair 2014 – currently serving  
Mississippi College Academic Research Committee (Undergraduate and Graduate), 2014 - 15  
Admissions Committee, served for over 10 years  
Academic Standards Committee, served for over 10 years  
Alumni/External Communications Committee, served for over 2 years  
Informal support to the R. Jess Brown Black Law Students’ Association (since 1993)  
Mentor, Junior Attorneys and Junior Academics from various schools (since 1994)  
Reviewer and Mentor, Junior Faculty Scholarship, from various schools (since 2000)  
Support to the Law Review for the Voting Rights Symposium (2013-14)  
Member, Thesis Committee, Jackson State University (2012-13)  
Member, Dissertation Committee, University of Iowa (2008-09)

## COMMUNITY AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

Mentor of students, professionals, academics, and community members, since 1991  
Tutor, college undergraduate students, since 2011  
Helper, Blackburn Middle School, Jackson, 2006  
Helper, Barr Elementary School, Jackson, 2001-2003  
Provide pro-bono legal and quasi-legal assistance to community members (help disabled and other adults improve their lives after crises) 1998 - present  
Charles Clark Chapter, American Inns of Court, Barrister, 1999-2000  
Metro Jackson Black Women Lawyers' Association, Mentoring Committee, 1998-2000  
The Magnolia Bar Foundation, Board Member, 1996-98  
Participant in Central Mississippi Legal Services Assessment Conference, February 1998  
Participant in Mississippi Legal Services Statewide Planning Conference and Member of Training Capacity and Expert Assistance Working Group, Fall 1998  
Jackson 2000, Board Member 1994-1996  
Shearer Grove Missionary Baptist Church, Member 1991-2006  
Pilgrim Branch Missionary Baptist Church, Member 2008-present  
National Association for the Advancement of Colored People member  
American Civil Liberties Union of Mississippi member  
Other interests: motivational speaking, working with young people and young scholars, working with disabled, music, traveling, reading, walking