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TEACHING AREAS

Legal Writing (predictive and persuasive writing), Introduction to Counseling, Trusts and Estates Drafting, Law of Wills and Intestate Succession.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Walter F. George School of Law, Mercer Law School, Macon, Georgia

2009 – present *Associate Professor of Law* (tenured as of July 2011)
2006 – 2009 *Assistant Professor of Law*

- Formulating lesson plans, planning lectures, and creating classroom activities to foster active learning.
- Member of the following committees: Admissions (2011-2012); Faculty Development (2010-2011, chair); External Relations (2010-2011); Administrative Committee (2010-2011); University-wide Communications Task Force (2008-2010) (co-chair of National Best Practices Sub-Committee); Branding (2009-2010); Appointments (2007-2008, 2008-2009), Faculty Development (2006-2007), and Mentoring (2006-2007).
- Co-coached the following moot court teams: National First Amendment Moot Court Competition, Vanderbilt Law School (2011) and Jerome Prince Memorial Evidence Moot Court Competition, Brooklyn Law School (2008, 2009, 2010).

Tulane Law School, New Orleans, Louisiana

2004 – 2006 *Forrester Fellow*, Legal Research and Writing Instructor

- Formulated lesson plans, planned lectures, and created classroom activities to foster active learning.
- Participated in meetings with the Legal Research & Writing Committee to develop programmatic improvements.

Schulte, Roth & Zabel LLP, New York City, New York
2002-2004 *Associate, Trusts and Estates Department*

- Drafted over 100 wills, 40 trusts, numerous letter agreements to charitable entities, court petitions, office memos, and client letters.
- Contacted clients in an advisory fashion regarding the terms of their documents.

EDUCATION

Tulane Law School, New Orleans, Louisiana

Juris Doctor, *summa cum laude*, May 2002

GPA: 3.813

Rank: 3 of 291

Honors and Activities:

Member of Order of the Coif

Tulane Law Review, Managing Editor

Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Bachelor of Arts, Liberal Arts, *summa cum laude*, May 1999

GPA: 4.0

PUBLICATIONS

Works In Progress

A DAY IN THE LIFE OF A LAWYER: CONTRACTS MODULE (with Professor Susan M. Chesler and Patrick E. Longan) (under contract with Wolters Kluwer Law & Business) (2012) (forthcoming).

The Will as Personal Narrative (selected by the 2011-2012 SEALS Call for Papers Selection Committee for presentation at the 2012 Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Association of Law Schools).

Gendered Language in Last Wills and Testaments.

Law Review Articles

Beyond Chalk-and-Talk: The Law Classroom of the Future, 38 OHIO N.U. L. REV. ____ (2012) (with Professor Timothy W. Floyd and Professor Oren R. Griffin) (forthcoming).

In the Name of God, Amen: Language in Wills, 29 QUINNIPIAC L. REV. 665 (2011).

Citing Reference:

- Notice of Article posted on Gerry W. Berry's Wills, Trusts & Estates Prof Blog on December 24, 2011, *available at* http://lawprofessors.typepad.com/trusts_estates_prof/religion/

Speaking for the Dead: Voice in Last Wills and Testaments, 85 ST. JOHN'S L. REV. 683 (2011).

Citing Reference:

- Deborah S. Gordon, *Reflecting on the Language of Death*, 34 Seattle U.L. Rev. 379 (2011).

New Ways to Teach Drafting and Drafting Ethics, 12 TRANSACTIONS: THE TENN. J. OF BUS. LAW 187 (2011) (transcript of remarks from the 2010 Teaching and Drafting Skills Conference).

Beyond the Personal Representative: The Potential of Succession without Administration, 50 S. TEX. L. REV. 449 (Apr. 2009).

Citing References:

- 10-88 THOMPSON ON REAL PROPERTY, Thomas Editions Supp. to § 88.13 *The Personal Representative, probate and Administration* (2011).
- Stewart E. Sterk, Melanie B. Leslie, & Joel C. Dobris, CASE MATERIALS: ESTATES AND TRUSTS 1010 (4th ed. 2011).
- Nadav Zamir, *Notes & Comments: Problem-Solving Litigation for the Elderly: An Eventual Shift with Cautionary Approach*, 25 J. CIV. RTS. & ECON. DEV. 1023 (2011).
- Peter T. Wendel, *The Succession Rights of Adopted Adults: Trying to Fit a Square Peg in a Round Hole*, 43 CREIGHTON L. REV. 815 (2010).
- *Article of Interest*, 37 EST. PLAN. 44 (2010).
- Heather K. Way, *Property Ownership and Economic Stability: A Necessary Relationship?* 29 ST. LOUIS U. PUB. L. REV. 113 (2009).
- John H. Martin, *Reconfiguring Estate Settlement*, 94 MINN. L. REV. 42 (2009).
- *Keeping Current – Probate*, 23 NO. 6 ABA PROBATE & PROPERTY 14 (Nov./Dec. 2009).
- Notice of Article posted on Gerry W. Berry's Wills, Trusts & Estates Prof Blog on June 28, 2009, *available at* http://lawprofessors.typepad.com/trusts_estates_prof/2009/06/article-examines-succession-without-administration.html.

Teaching Multiple Skills in Drafting and Simulation Courses, 10 TRANSACTIONS: THE TENN. J. OF BUS. LAW 222 (2009) (transcript of remarks from the 2008 Teaching and Drafting Skills Conference).

Should Cain's Children Inherit Abel's Property?: Wading into the Extended Slayer Rule Quagmire, 76 UMKC L. REV. 101 (Fall 2007).

Citing References:

- RESTATEMENT (THIRD) OF RESTITUTION § 45 *Homicide: The Slayer Rule* (2011).
- 37 AM. JUR. PROOF OF FACTS 3d 149, *Insurer's Liability For Improper Issuance or Maintenance of Life Insurance Policy, Prompting Murder or Attempted Murder of Insured* (2011).
- Thomas P. Gallanis, FAMILY PROPERTY LAW: CASES AND MATERIALS ON WILLS, TRUSTS, AND FUTURE INTERESTS 347 (Foundation Press 2011).
- Jesse Dukeminier, James Lindgren, & Robert H. Sitkoff, WILLS, TRUSTS, AND ESTATES 150 (8th ed. 2009).
- 37 AM. JUR. PROOF OF FACTS 3d § 149 *Insurer's Liability for Improper Issuance or Maintenance of Life Insurance Policy, Prompting Murder of Attempted Murder of Insured* (2011).
- Carla Spivack, *Let's Get Serious: Spouse Abuse Should Bar Inheritance*, 90 OR. L. REV. 247, n. 26 (2011).
- Mark Adam Silver, *Vesting Title in a Murderer: Where is the Equity in the Georgia Supreme Court's Interpretation of the Slayer Statute in Levenson?*, 45 GA. L. REV. 877, n. 45 (2011).
- *Keeping Current – Property*, 22 NO. 4 ABA PROBATE & PROPERTY 17 (July/Aug. 2008).
- *Articles of Interest*, 35 EST. PLAN. 44, 45 (2008).
- Notice of Article posted on Paul Caron's TaxProf Blog on April 4, 2008, available at http://taxprof.typepad.com/taxprof_blog/
- Notice of Article posted on Gerry W. Berry's Wills, Trusts & Estates Prof Blog on April 2, 2008, available at http://lawprofessors.typepad.com/trusts_estates_prof/2008/04/killer-should-n.html.

Comment- The Sleeper Has Awakened: The Rule Against Accumulations and Perpetual Trusts, 76 TUL. L. REV. 189 (2001).

Citing References:

- RESTATEMENT (THIRD) OF TRUSTS § 29, Purposes and Provisions that are Unlawful or Against Public Policy (2001).
- Annotations, LOUISIANA CIVIL CODE ARTICLE 724.

- Lawrence M. Friedman, *DEAD HANDS: A SOCIAL HISTORY OF WILLS, TRUSTS, AND INHERITANCE LAW* Ch. 7, n. 40 (2009).
- Jesse Dukeminier, James Lindgren, & Robert H. Sitkoff, *WILLS, TRUSTS, AND ESTATES* 930 (8th ed. 2009).
- Jesse Dukeminier, Stanley M. Johanson, James Lindgren, & Robert H. Sitkoff, *WILLS, TRUSTS, AND ESTATES* 728 (7th ed. 2005).
- John K. Eason, *Motive, Duty, and Management of Restricted Charitable Gifts*, 45 WAKE FOREST L. REV. 123, n. 86 (2010).
- John K. Eason, *The Restricted Gift Life Cycle, or What Comes Around Goes Around*, 76 FORDHAM L. REV. 693 (2007).
- Lynn Foster, *Fifty-One Flowers: Post-Perpetuities War Law and Arkansas's Adoption of USRAP*, 29 U. ARK. LITTLE ROCK L. REV. 411 (2007).
- Robert J. Sitkoff, *The Lurking Rule Against Accumulations of Income*, 100 NW. U. L. REV. 501 (2006).
- John K. Eason, *Private Motive and Perpetual Conditions in Charitable Naming Gifts: When Good Names Go Bad*, 38 U.C. DAVIS L. REV. 375 (2005).
- T.P. Gallanis, *The Future of Future Interests*, 60 WASH. & LEE L. REV. 513, 575 (2003).
- *Articles of Interest*, 29 EST. PLAN. 373, 375 (2002).
- Richard W. Nenno, *American Law Institute-American Bar Association Continuing Legal Education: Planning Techniques for Large Estates*, fn 195 & fn 199 (April 28-May 2, 2008).

Essays

Trusts and Estates Drafting: Avoiding Rigor Mortis in the Law School Curriculum, 63 MERCER L. REV. ____ (2012) (forthcoming).

Writing with Word Banks, in *TECHNIQUES FOR TEACHING II* 192 (eds. Steve Friedland, Gerry Hess, Michael Schwartz, and Sophie Sparrow 2011).

Mad Libs Legal Writing: More Writing with Less Grading, in *TECHNIQUES FOR TEACHING II* 197 (eds. Steve Friedland, Gerry Hess, Michael Schwartz, and Sophie Sparrow 2011) (co-authored with Professor Hillary Burgess).

Book Review: Point Made: How To Write Like a Nation's Top Advocate by Ross Guberman, 16 No. 7 GA B.J. 86 (June 2011).

Is That A Committee Recommendation?, AALS New Law Professors Section Newsletter (Dec. 2010).

How Summer Family Road Trips Made Me a Better Teacher, AALS New Law Professor Section Newsletter (Dec. 2009).

Reprints, AALS New Law Professor Section Newsletter (Winter 2008).

On Writing: Using the Elements of Fiction to Tell the Client's Story, 4 No. 3 THE COMPLETE LAWYER (May/June 2008), available at <http://www.thecompletelawyer.com/volume4/issue3/article.php?ppaid=8113>.

Professor, Do You Have Time For A Really, Really Quick Question?, AALS New Law Professor Section Newsletter (Nov. 2007).

The Potential of Podcasts, 22 NO. 1 THE SECOND DRAFT: BULLETIN OF THE LEGAL WRITING INSTITUTE 11 (Fall 2007).

Citing References:

- Aida M. Alaka, *Phenomenology of Errors in Legal Writing*, 28 QUINNIPIAC L. REV. 1, n. 282 (2009).
- Kathleen Elliot Vinson, *What's on Your Playlist? The Power of Podcasts as a Pedagogical Tool*, 2009 U. ILL. J.L. TECH. & POL'Y 405, 9.

Revising Revision in the Classroom, 15 No. 2 PERSP. 130 (Winter 2007).

Citing References:

- Cassandra L. Hill, *Peer Editing: A Comprehensive Pedagogical Approach to Maximize Assessment Opportunities, Integrate Collaborative Learning, and Achieve Desired Outcomes*, 11 NEV. L.J. 667, n. 18 (2011).
- Patricia Grande Montana, *Better Revision: Encouraging Student Writers to See Through the Eyes of the Reader*, 14 LEGAL WRITING: J. LEGAL WRITING INST. 291, n9 (2008).

Armed With More Than A Red Pen: A Novice Grader's Journey to Success With Rubrics, 14 NO. 2 PERSP. 28 (Fall 2005).

Citing References:

- Beverly Peterson Jennison, *Saving the LWR Professor: Using Rubrics in the Teaching of Legal Writing to Assist in Grading Writing Assignments by Section and Provide More Effective Assessment in Less Time*, 80 UMKC L. REV. 353 (2011).
- Abigail Salisbury, *Skills without Stigma: Using the Jurist Method to Teach Legal Research and Writing*, 59 J. LEGAL. EDUC. 173, n. 61 (2009).
- Louis J. Sirico Jr., *Beyond Offering Examples of Good Writing: Let the Students Grade the Models*, 14 NO. 3 PERSP. 160 (Spring 2006).

Writing Matters: Regular Column in Georgia Bar Journal
Co-Authored with Professor David Hricik

To Fee for Services Rendered, 17 NO. 5 GA B.J 54 (Feb. 2012).
What's On the Well-Read Legal Writer's Bookshelf, 17 NO. 2 GA B.J. 62 (Oct. 2011).
Back to Basics: Subject-Verb Agreement, 17 NO. 1 GA B.J. 86 (Aug. 2011)
Be Inelegant, 16 NO. 7 GA B.J. 76 (June 2011).
FWIW: Why Writing Well Matters, Even in Email, 16 NO. 6 GA B.J. 62 (Apr. 2011).
It's Not Form Over Substance, But Form Matters: Citation Manual Updates, 16 NO. 4 GA B.J. 62 (Dec. 2010).
Three Principles of Good Drafting, 16 NO. 2 GA B.J. 62 (Oct. 2010).
A Picture Can be Worth 1,000 Words and a Chart, Even More, 16 NO. 1 GA B.J. 90 (Aug. 2010)
Suggested Summer Stories, 15 NO. 7 GA B.J. 78 (June 2010).
Sounds Like Greek to Me, 15 NO. 6 GA B.J. 68 (Apr. 2010).
Don't Misquote Me, 15 NO. 5. GA B.J. 60 (Feb. 2010).
Fifteen Frequent Flaws, 15 NO. 4 GA B.J. 64 (Dec. 2009).
Effective Transitions, 15 NO. 2 GA B.J. 64 (Oct. 2009).
Summer Beach Reading, 15 NO. 1 GA B.J. 74 (Aug. 2009).
Pondering Passive Voice, 14 NO. 7 GA B.J. 70 (June 2009).
Prewriting and the Two Pile Technique, 14 NO. 6 GA. B.J. 68 (Apr. 2009).
Improve Your Prose through Poetic Devices, 14 NO. 5 GA. B.J. 58 (Feb. 2009).
That Other Citation Manual, 14 NO. 4 GA. B.J. 70 (Dec. 2008).
The Road to Heaven Is Paved with Good Adverbs, 14 NO. 2 GA. B.J. 64 (Oct. 2008).
Good, Bad, and Ugly Legalese, 14 NO. 1 GA. B.J. 86 (Aug. 2008).
Avoiding Doe Snot While on the Trail of Statues, 13 NO.7 GA. B.J. 80 (June 2008).
Common Comma Conundrums Part II, 13 NO. 6 GA. B.J. 82 (Apr. 2008).
Common Comma Conundrums Part I, 13 NO. 5 GA. B.J. 64 (Feb. 2008).
Writing Myth Busters, 13 NO. 4 GA. B.J. 84 (Dec. 2007).
Refresher on Signals, 13 NO. 2 GA. B.J. 56 (Oct. 2007).
Using Citations Effectively, 13 NO. 1 GA. B.J. 84 (Aug. 2007).
Reducing Citation Clutter, 12 NO. 7 GA. B.J. 60 (June 2007).
Less Is More, 12 NO. 6 GA. B.J. 68 (Apr. 2007).

PRESENTATIONS

Speaker: *Do Now's: 25 Invigorating Classroom Warm Up Exercises*, Fifteenth Biennial Conference of the Legal Writing Institute, Desert Springs, California, to be held May 29 – June 1, 2012.

Speaker: *Stunning Sentences, Spectacular Paragraphs*, Continuing Legal Education Seminar, Assorted Updates for Georgia Lawyers, Columbus, Georgia, to be held March 23, 2012.

Speaker: *In-Class Legal Drafting Exercises*, One-Day Legal Writing Institute Workshop, Atlanta's John Marshall Law School, Atlanta, Georgia, December 2, 2011.

Speaker: *The Will as Personal Narrative*, Centerville Chapter of the National Associate of Insurance and Financial Advisors, November 10, 2011.

Speaker: *Storytelling in Last Wills and Testaments*, Third Applied Storytelling Conference, University of Denver, Sturm College of Law, Denver, Colorado, July 9, 2011.

Speaker: *Bottom Drawer: Exploration of Scholarship Topics*, Biennial Meeting of the Association of Legal Writing Directors, University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law, June 25, 2011 (with Professor Kirsten Davis and Professor Cassandra Hill).

Speaker: *A Day-in-the-Life of a Transactional Lawyer: Negotiation, Ethics, and Professionalism*, Institute of Law Teaching and Learning, New York Law School, New York, New York, June 3, 2011 (with Professor Susan Chesler and Professor Patrick Longan).

Speaker: *Are You Looking At Me?: Strategies for Effective Communication*, Magistrates of Gwinnet County, Atlanta, Georgia, April 20, 2011.

Participant: Association of Legal Writing Directors' Scholars' Forum, *Storytelling in Last Wills and Testaments*, Mercer law School, Macon, Georgia, April 15, 2011.

Speaker: *A Rose Is a Rose: An Examination of Genre*, Southeast Regional Legal Writing Conference, Mercer Law School, Macon, Georgia, April 16, 2011.

Speaker: *Language in Last Wills and Testaments*, Elon University School of Law, Greensboro, North Carolina, March 14, 2011 (Faculty Exchange Program).

Speaker: *Beyond Chalk-and-Talk: The Law Classroom of the Future*, Society of American Law Teachers Bi-Annual Teaching Conference "Teaching in the Transformative Age: The Law School of the Future," Honolulu, Hawaii, December 11, 2010 (with Professor Oren Griffin and Professor Timothy Floyd).

Speaker: *In the Name of God, Amen: Language in Last Wills and Testaments*, Third Annual Colloquium "How Legal Rhetoric Shapes the World," Washington College of Law, American University, Washington, D.C., October 15, 2010.

Moderator: *New Scholar's Workshop, New Scholars Workshop*, Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting, Palm Beach, Florida, August 4, 2010.

Speaker: *Beyond the Boilerplate: Contract and Will Drafting*, Fourteenth Biennial Conference of the Legal Writing Institute, Marco Island, Florida, June 30, 2010 (with Professor Susan Chesler and Professor Susan Payne).

Speaker: *Not Your Mother's Rhetoric: Teaching Rhetorically Across the Curriculum*, 2010 Summer Conference of the Institute of Law Teaching and Learning, Washburn University School of Law, Topeka, Kansas, June 18, 2010 (with Professor Linda Berger and Professor Suzianne Painter-Thorne).

Speaker: *New Ways to Teach Drafting and Drafting Ethics*, Biennial Teaching Drafting and Transactional Skills, Emory Center for Transactional Drafting, Emory Law School, Atlanta, Georgia, June 5, 2010 (with Professor Susan Chesler).

Participant: Association of Legal Writing Directors' Scholars' Forum, *Evolution of Language in Wills*, University of Arizona Rogers College of Law, Tucson, Arizona, March 21, 2010.

Speaker: *Game On!: Active Learning with Classic Childhood Games*, Tenth Annual Rocky Mountain Legal Writing Conference, University of Arizona Rogers College of Law, Tucson, Arizona, March 19, 2010 (with Professor Suzianne Painter-Thorne).

Speaker: *In the Name of God, Amen: Evolution of Language in Last Wills and Testaments*, Stetson University College of Law, Gulfport, Florida, January 28, 2010 (Faculty Exchange Program).

Speaker: *Group Writing*, 2009 Southeast Regional Legal Writing Conference, Stetson University College of Law, Gulfport, Florida, September 12, 2009.

Speaker: *Speaking for the Dead: Voice in Last Wills and Testaments*, New Scholars' Panel, Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting, Palm Beach, Florida, August 7, 2009.

Speaker: *Rhetorical Stepping Stones*, Biennial Conference of the Association of Legal Writing Directors, University of Kansas City-Missouri School of Law, Kansas City, Missouri, July 18, 2009 (with Professor Linda Berger and Professor Sue Painter-Thorne).

Speaker: *Integrating Writing into Casebook Courses without Significantly Increasing Grading*, 2009 Summer Conference of the Institute of Law Teaching and Learning, Gonzaga University School of Law, Spokane, Washington, June 23, 2009.

Participant: Association of Legal Writing Directors' Scholars' Forum, *Voice in Last Wills and Testaments*, Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law – Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona, March 15, 2009.

Speaker: *Easy Extras: Strategies for Maximizing Unexpected, Unplanned Minutes of Class Time*, Ninth Annual Rocky Mountain Legal Writing Conference, Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law – Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona, March 14, 2009.

Moderator: *New Scholars Workshop (Panel #13)*, Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting, Palm Beach, Florida, July 30, 2008.

Participant: Legal Writing Institute Writers' Workshop, *The Potential of Succession without Administration*, Nashville, Indiana, July 17-20, 2008.

Speaker: *Beyond Chalk and Talk: Active Learning Activities for the Classroom*, Thirteenth Biennial Conference of the Legal Writing Institute, Indiana University School of Law – Indianapolis, Indianapolis, Indiana, July 15, 2008.

Speaker: *Teaching Multiple Skills in Drafting and Simulation Courses*, Inaugural Teaching Drafting and Transactional Skills: The Basics and Beyond, Emory Law Center for Transactional Law and Practice, Atlanta, Georgia, May 31, 2008 (addressed use of interviewing and counseling).

Speaker: *Four Active Learning Strategies to Address the Statement of Facts*, Georgia Legal Writing Consortium, Walter F. George School of Law, Mercer University, Macon, Georgia, December 5, 2007.

Speaker: *M & Ms, Highlighting, and Freewriting, Oh My! : Active Learning Techniques to Teach the Statement of Facts*, Southeast Legal Writing Conference, Nova Southeastern Law School, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, September 8, 2007.

Speaker: *Just the Facts, Ma'm: Using the Presentation of Facts to Enhance Students' Analysis*, Biennial Conference of the Association of Legal Writing Directors, University of Denver, Sturm College of Law, Denver, Colorado, June 15, 2007.

Speaker: *Revision in the Classroom: An Alternative to Peer Review*, Seventh Annual Rocky Mountain Conference, The William S. Boyd School of Law, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, Nevada, March 10, 2007.

Panelist: *What Our Students Need to Know*, Georgia Legal Writing Consortium of Legal Writing and Legal Skills Professors, John Marshall School of Law Atlanta, Atlanta, Georgia, December 7, 2006.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN LAW SCHOOLS

Member of the 2010 Awards and Recognition Committee for the AALS Section on Teaching Methods.

Member of the 2010 Awards and Recognition Committee for the AALS Section on Legal Writing, Legal Research, and Legal Reasoning.

Executive Committee Member (2007, 2008, 2009, 2010) of AALS Section on New Law Professors.

Chair of the 2009 Poster Committee for the AALS Section on Legal Writing, Reasoning and Research.

Member of the 2008 Poster Committee for the AALS Section on Legal Writing, Legal Research, and Legal Reasoning.

LEGAL WRITING INSTITUTE

Co-Chair of the Legal Writing Institute Scholarship Development and Outreach Committee (2010-2012).

Co-Chair of the Legal Writing Institute Professional Development Committee (2008-2010).

Assistant Editor in Volume 14, Volume 15, Volume 16, and Volume 17 of LEGAL WRITING: THE JOURNAL OF THE LEGAL WRITING INSTITUTE.

ASSOCIATION OF LEGAL WRITING DIRECTORS

Co-Chair of the Scholarship Committee (2010-2011).

2010 Coordinator of the J. ALWD Visiting Scholars in Rhetoric & Writing Grant.

Provided external reviews for JALWD in Fall 2008 and Fall 2009.

SOUTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN LAW SCHOOLS

Member of the 2011-2012 New Scholars Committee

AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION

Regional Technical Appellate Brief Grader for the 2010 National Appellate Advocacy Competition hosted by the ABA Law Student Division.

Regional and National Technical Appellate Brief Grader for 2009 National Appellate Advocacy Competition hosted by the ABA Law Student Division.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

AALS Sections on Legal Writing, Reasoning, and Research, Teaching Methods; and Trusts and Estates
Society of American Law Teachers
Legal Writing Institute
Association of Legal Writing Directors
American Bar Association
New York State Bar (Retired)

AWARDS

- Selected by Students to Hood the 2011 Mercer Graduating Class.
- Selected by Students to Hood the 2010 Mercer Graduating Class.
- Georgia Association for Women Lawyers 2009 Mercer Professor of the Year.
- The George Dewey Nelson Memorial Award in recognition of highest cumulative GPA of common law students within the graduating class of 2002.
- The Robert E. Friedman Law Review Award for best Tulane Law Review Comment of 2001-2002.
- CALI Excellence for the Future Awards: Business Enterprises I, Community Property, Conflicts of Law, Criminal Law, Income Taxation, and Real Estate Transactions.

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