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**ACADEMIC POSITIONS**

**School of Law, University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law**

1998 - Present	Associate Professor of Law
1992 - 1998	Assistant Professor of Law
1990 - 1992	Visiting Assistant Professor of Law

**Significant Service:**

AALS - Chair, Section on Creditors' and Debtors' Rights (2001)  
Executive Committee, Section on Creditors' and Debtors' Rights (2001)

University - Co-Chair Commission of Back Studies (2007-present)  
Faculty Athletic Representative (2006-present)  
Chair Intercollegiate Athletic Committee (2006-present)  
Athletic Director's Search Committee (2006)  
Vice Chancellors Advisory Committee (1996- 2004)  
Chair Equity Subcommittee:  
NCAA Certification of UMKC's Athletic Program (1997- 2002)  
Vice Chancellor Of Administrative Affairs:  
Appointed to draft University Internet Access Policy (1997)  
Dean Search Committee, Law School (1993-1995)  
Search Committee, Men's Head Basketball Coach (1996)  
Vice Chancellor's Advisory Committee (Suppl. Allocation) (1995 )  
Intercollegiate Athletic Committee (1999-present)

Law School - Appointments Committee (2006)  
Inclusion & Empowerment Committee  
Academic Affairs Committee  
Admissions Committee  
Building and Grounds Committee  
CLE Advisory Committee  
Career Services Committee  
Curriculum Committee  
Duberstein Moot Court Competition Team Advisor  
Faculty Appointments Committee  
Inclusion and Empowerment Committee  
Inns Group - Oliver Hayes Dean Advisor  
Law Review Advisory Committee  
Library Committee  
Program Committee  
Student Affairs Committee  
Visitors Committee

Kansas City - Mayor's Task Force on Race Relations (1995-1996)  
Kansas City Memorial Day Classic Track Meet (1995-2005)  
An **A**athletic® Event, attracting over 600 Youth **A**athletes nationally to Kansas City, designed to promote education by promoting the connection between academics and athletics, encouraging **A**athletes to attend college and by providing **A**athletes scholarships for educational study aids for the ACT and SAT college entrance examinations.

**EDITORSHIPS, DIRECTORSHIPS, AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS**

Restructuring Task Force, USATF, National Governing Body (2005-present)  
 Member, AALS Sports Law Committee (2004)  
 Chair, Men's Track & Field Committee, USAT&F (1998-2002)  
 Member, Law and Society Associations (1997), Interdisciplinary Association of Scholars  
 Member, Mid-Atlantic People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference (1994 to Present)  
 Member, Midwestern People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference (1993 to Present)  
 Board of Directors, Palestine Economic Development Corporation (2003 to Present)  
 Board of Directors, Swope Park Health Center (1987 - 2004)  
 Member, ABA - Corporation, Banking and Business Law Sections (1995)  
 Jackson County Bar Association, Co-Chair Education Committee (1994)  
 LAKC Board of Directors (1994), Chair, Membership Committee (1993)  
 K.C. Metropolitan Bar Association, Chair, Comm. & Bankr. Law Committee (1993)  
 Member, Commercial & Bankruptcy Law Committee (1990-Present)  
 Flyers Track Club, Inc. President (1993 to Present)  
 Kansas City Attorneys for the Arts, Chair (1993-1995)  
 Member, Commercial Law Committee, Missouri Bar Association (1993)  
 Commercial Law Committee (1993 to Present)  
 Missouri Valley Association Member, Board of Director (1995 to Present)

**PUBLICATIONS**

*Academic Reform and the NCAA: Emancipation or Subjugation?* (In progress).  
*Repose or Not? Informal Objections To Claims Of Exemptions After Taylor v. Freeland*, 50 Okla. L.Rev. 45 (1997).  
*Discourse and Discharge: Linguistic Analysis and Abuse of the "Exemption Declaration" Process in Bankruptcy*, 70 Am. Bankr. L.J. 55 (1996).  
*Does Payment By Check Constitute A Transfer Upon Delivery or Payment?* 64 Am. Bankr. L.J. 93 (1990).

**EDUCATION**

**O.W. Coburn School of Law, Oral Roberts University, Tulsa, Oklahoma - J.D. 1986.**

Research Assistant: O.W. Coburn School of Law  
 Dean John Stanford  
 Associate Dean Thomas Goldman  
 Prof. Tayte Dencer  
 Prof. Edward Fishpaw

**Drake University, Graduate Studies in the School of Biology, 1975-77.**

Graduate Teaching Assistant  
 Prof. Paul Meglistch (Embryology / Invertebrate Zoology)  
 Prof. Robert Kodoma (Physiology)  
 Prof. Robert Rogers (Biology)

**Drake University, B.A. 1975.**

Athletic Scholarship (Football) 1971-1975

**LEGAL EXPERIENCE**

- 1987 - 1990 Associate - Shughart Thomson & Kilroy  
Twelve Wyandotte Plaza  
120 W. 12th Street  
Kansas City, Missouri 64106
- 1986 -1987 Law Clerk - Chief Bankruptcy Judge Dennis J. Stewart  
United States Bankruptcy Court, Western District of Missouri  
811 Grand Avenue  
Kansas City, Missouri 64106

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

- 1979 - 1983 Independent Insurance Broker  
1978 - 1979 Research Analyst, Iowa Department of Revenue  
1977 - 1978 Assistant Football Coach, North Park College

**BAR ADMISSION**

- Missouri Supreme Court (1986 - Present)  
United States District Court, Western District of Missouri (1986)

**COURSES TAUGHT**

*Secured Transactions* - Covering Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code

*Contracts Law I & II* - Covering common law of contracts, Article 2 of the Uniform Commercial Code and the Restatement (Second) of Contracts

*Commercial Transactions* - Covering Articles 3 and 4 of the Uniform Commercial Code

*Sports Law* - Covering contracts, constitutional and labor law issues affecting amateur and professional sports.

*Entertainment Law* - Covering contracts, constitutional and labor law issues affecting entertainment industry.

*Debtor - Creditor Rights* - Covering Bankruptcy Law, Creditor Remedies, and Debtor Protections

**PRESENTATIONS**

Midwestern People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, Panel Member, 2005.

“American Association of Law Schools Conference,” American Association of Law Schools Conference, San Francisco, CA, January 2005.

“American Association of Law Schools Recruitment Conference,” American Association of Law Schools Recruitment Conference, Washington, D.C., November 2004.

“National People of Color Legal Conference,” National People of Color Legal Conference, George Washington University Law School, Washington, DC, October

**CONTINUED – PRESENTATIONS**

National Bar Association Region VIII Conference Seminar: Panelist and Moderator of Sports and Entertainment Law Program entitled “*Maximizing Lawyer-Client Relations*”, March 17, 2001.

“Electronic Signature Law”. Presented analysis of The Federal Electronic Signature Act and its impact on consumers on Fox TV 4's Consumer Report, a regionally televised consumer legal alert program. January, 2001.

“Development of the Common Law,” St. Charles School. Nov. 14, 1995.

“Sign on the Dotted Line: Licensing and Other Agreements,” Archival Law and Order: Legal Issues in Archives and Manuscript Collections. Kansas City Area Archivists. April 1, 1995.

“Discourse and Discharge: Linguistic Analysis and Abuse of the ‘Exemption by Declaration’ Process in Bankruptcy,” Mid-Atlantic Scholars of Color Conference. February 15, 1995  
 “Review of Recent Developments in Bankruptcy Law,” Continuing Legal Education, University of Missouri-Kansas City. June 23, 1994.

“Update of Hot Topics and Decisions in Bankruptcy Law,” Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association, Commercial and Bankruptcy Law Committee’s Annual Bench And Bar Break Out Session. 1993.

Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association, Annual Bench And Bar: Panelist “Handling the Civil or Domestic Matter Which Bankruptcy Judge May Inherit” 1992.

**COMMUNITY SERVICE**

USAT&F Member of Law & Legislation Committee and Certified Track & Field Official  
 Big 8 Track & Field Conference Meet (2003-2004)  
 Chairperson, Kansas City Memorial Day Classic (1995-Present)  
 Member, Deacon Board and Adult Sunday School Teacher: Palestine  
 Missionary Baptist Church of Jesus Christ. (1986-Present)  
 Head Youth Track Coach, Flyers Track Club, Inc. (1991-Present)  
 Advisory Board, Teenage Parent's Center. (1988-1990)  
 Member, County Rotational Children's Soft Ball Association. (1988-1991)  
 Chairman, County Rotational Children's Soft Ball Association. (1990-1991)  
 Youth Soccer Coach, Gladstone Recreation Department. (1988-1991)  
 Youth Soccer Coach, Western Missouri Soccer League. (1992-1994)  
 Speakers Bureau, United Way. (1993)  
 Board of Directors, Harvesters Food Bank. (1981-1983)  
 Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity. (1972-Present)

**HONORS**

President’s Award, USAT&F (2006)  
 Named, Member of All Decade Team, Chicago Sun Times. (1988).  
 Outstanding Young Men of America, (1983).  
 Football Scholarship, Drake University. (1971-1975).  
 Prep Player of the Year, State of Illinois. (1970).