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CURRENT POSITION

UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI, School of Law, University, Mississippi.
Professor of Law (1994 to present).

Accomplishments:

Elsie M. Hood Award (2016).

Outstanding Professor at the University of Mississippi.

Legal Advisor, Holy See Mission to the United Nations, New York (2000 to present).

Participant and delegate in negotiations regarding several international legal issues, including the establishment of the International Criminal Court, International Law Commission, and the Convention on Persons with Disabilities.

Outstanding Law Professor Award.

Honored four times by the law school student body (1996-97; 1998-99; 2004-05 shared with Professor Weems; 2015-16).

Director, Cambridge Summer Session (2003-12).

Planned, directed and supervised all aspects of foreign study program conducted with a Consortium of three other schools (Universities of Arkansas, Nebraska and Tennessee). Program had enrollments up to 70 students, and a retinue of four American and two British faculty members. Program was entirely self-sustaining, and was left with one year of expenses in reserve from a negligible starting balance.

Adviser, Business Law Institute (2013 to present).

Adviser to an institute designed to integrate faculty, students and student organizations connected with corporate, commercial and business law for skills training, scholarship, and networking opportunities.

Partnership with University Honors College (2006 to present).

First law professor to be invited to teach in the University Honors College, and helped establish, with the Associate Dean of the Law School, a partnership between the two schools.

Member, United States Commission on Civil Rights, Mississippi State Advisory Committee (2010 to present).

Chair of Law School Self-Study (2011-12).

Chair, coordinator and principal author of the Law School's ABA Self-Study; culminated in renewal of the Law School's accreditation.

Fellow, Foundation for the Defense of Democracies (2006-07).

Courses taught:

Bankruptcy Law, Civil Procedure I, Secured Transactions, Corporate Reorganizations Seminar, Commercial Paper, International Trade, Patent Law, Catholic Social Doctrine (University freshman seminar), Honors Seminars 101 & 102 (Honors College freshman seminars, by invitation of Honors College Dean); Introduction to American Law and Reasoning (designed course, an Honors College prerequisite for law study by undergraduates); Honors Conversations; Honors Seminar on School Desegregation (awarded a grant to design, and then teach an Honors College Seminar on the pending school desegregation case of Cleveland Mississippi).

Service activities:

Member of several Law School and University Committees, including: Elsie M. Hood Award Committee (2017); Frist Award Committee (2017); Law School Faculty Recruitment (1996-present); Admissions (1996—2006); Ad Hoc Admissions Standards (2004-05); several administrative search committees; University Ad Hoc Committee on Residential Colleges; Committee on Promotion and Tenure (2013-Present); University Nonacademic Disciplinary Committee; Faculty Senate.

Faculty Adviser and cofounder, St. Thomas More Society (Catholic law students).

Faculty Adviser, Federalist Society.

Chair, Board of the University of Mississippi Collegiate Recovery Community.

Coach, Duberstein Moot Court Team (1994-2005).

Thesis adviser for three Honors College undergraduate theses.

PRIOR WORK EXPERIENCE

MCGUIRE WOODS BATTLE & BOOTHE, Richmond, Virginia.

Associate Attorney (1991-1994).

Practiced bankruptcy, creditors' rights, corporate reorganizations and commercial litigation.

SIDLEY & AUSTIN, Chicago, Illinois.

Associate Attorney (1989-1991).

Practiced bankruptcy and commercial litigation.

SHEARMAN & STERLING, Los Angeles, California and New York, New York.

Summer Associate (1988).

FISH & NEAVE, New York, New York.

Summer Associate (1987).

UNITED STATES ARMY, Charlottesville, Virginia.

Commissioned officer, attended Basic Training, Officer Candidate School and Chemical Officer's School (1983).

Intelligence Analyst, Foreign Science & Technology Center (1984-86).

Received the Army Commendation Medal for meritorious service.

EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA SCHOOL OF LAW

J.D., May 1989

Executive Editor, *Virginia Law Review*

Editor, *Virginia Journal of Natural Resources Law*

James C. Slaughter Award (for outstanding member of graduating class)

Omicron Delta Kappa

MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

B.S., Chemistry, June 1982

Offensive Tackle, M.I.T. Football Team

PUBLICATIONS

Book Chapter, "The Holy See's Diplomatic Efforts in Syria," in *THE PERSECUTION AND GENOCIDE OF CHRISTIANS IN THE MIDDLE EAST: HISTORICAL, LEGAL AND POLICY CONCERNS* (Ronald J. Rychlak & Jane Adolph, eds., *forthcoming* 2017).

Book Chapter, "Catholic Social Doctrine and American Bankruptcy Law," in *CATHOLIC SOCIAL DOCTRINE AND AMERICAN LAW* (Ronald J. Rychlak, ed., 2016).

Book Chapter, "Catholic Social Doctrine and American Corporate Law," *in* CATHOLIC SOCIAL DOCTRINE AND AMERICAN LAW (Ronald J. Rychlak, ed., 2016).

Article, "George Cochran: A Most Extraordinary Person," 85 Mississippi Law Journal 1033 (2016).

Article, "Sam Davis, A True Leader," 85 Mississippi Law Journal. 935 (2016).

Article, "Federalism and the International Criminal Court," 10 Engage: Journal of the Federalist Society Practice Groups 50 (2009)(with Prof. Rychlak).

Book Chapter, "Terrorism & International Law: Past, Present and Future," *in* TERRORISM'S UNANSWERED QUESTIONS (Adam B. Lowther & Beverly Lindsay, ed., Praeger Security International 2009).

Article, "Hurricane Katrina and the Revised Bankruptcy Code: Kick 'Em While They're Down," 77 Mississippi Law Journal 735 (2007).

Article, "A Catholic Theory of Corporate Law," XII Journal of the Society of Catholic Social Scientists 69 (2007).

Book Chapter, "Bankruptcy Law & Domestic Relations Law," *in* Deborah Bell, MISSISSIPPI DOMESTIC RELATIONS LAW (2006)(with Prof. Deborah Bell).

Article, "An Empire of Law? Legalism and the International Criminal Court," 79 Notre Dame Law Review 55 (2003)(with Prof. Rychlak).

Article, "The International Criminal Court and the Question of Subsidiarity," 2000-2003 Third World Legal Studies 115 (2003)(with Prof. Rychlak).

Opinion, "A Court Out of Order," First Things, No. 132, pp. 24-25 (April 2003) (with Prof. Rychlak).

Article, "1999-2000 Fifth Circuit Bankruptcy Law Update," 21 Mississippi College Law Review 9 (2001).

Article, "The Individual and Failure: A Theory of the Bankruptcy Discharge," 32 Arizona State Law Journal 393 (2000).

Article, "Time, Uncertainty, and the Law of Corporate Reorganizations," 67 Fordham Law Review 2939 (1999).

Article, "When the Dealer Goes Bust: Issues in Casino Bankruptcies," 18 Mississippi College Law Review 459 (1998).

Article, "Documentary Evidence in Civil Cases," 20 American Journal Trial Advocacy 607 (1997)(with Prof. Rychlak).

Article, “Modernizing Commercial Financing Practices: The Revisions to Article 5 of the Mississippi U.C.C.,” 66 *Mississippi Law Journal* 325 (1996).

Note, “Altering Nature’s Blueprints for Profit: Patenting Multicellular Animals,” 74 *Virginia Law Review* 1327 (1988).

PROFESSIONAL PAPERS AND OTHER PRESENTATIONS

“Catholic Social Thought and American Bankruptcy Law”

“Catholic Social Thought and American Corporate Law”

Conference of the Society of Catholic Social Scientists, Franciscan University of Steubenville, Steubenville, Ohio, October 2013.

“Corporations and Catholic Social Thought,” Conference of the Society of Catholic Social Scientists, University of Dallas, Dallas, Texas, October, 2006.

“Legalism and the International Criminal Court,” Conference of the Southeastern Association of Law Schools, Kiawah Island, South Carolina, July 2002.

“The International Criminal Court and the Question of Subsidiarity,” Conference of the Association for Third World Legal Studies, Capetown, South Africa, January 2001.

Numerous continuing legal education conferences in bankruptcy and commercial law, including the annual *Mississippi Bankruptcy Conference* (Jackson, Mississippi), the *Mid-South Bankruptcy Conference* (Memphis, Tennessee) and the Alabama State Bar’s *Bankruptcy at the Beach* (San Destin, Florida) (average two to three per year since 1994 regarding bankruptcy and commercial law).

BAR AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

Member, Virginia State Bar

Member, Virginia Bar Association

Member, District of Columbia Bar Association

Member, Illinois State Bar

Member, American Bankruptcy Institute

Member, Mississippi Bankruptcy Conference

Member, Society of Catholic Social Scientists

Member, American Bar Association

Member, Federalist Society

Admitted to practice in federal courts in Illinois and Virginia.

Served as a consultant to several law firms in legal matters, including complex bankruptcy and commercial law matters.

Fourth degree Knight of Columbus.

Professed Lay Member of the Dominican Order (formerly Third Order Dominicans).

Married to the Rev. Sylvia Robertshaw Czarnetzky, originally from Greenville, Mississippi.

REFERENCES

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