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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT

Mississippi College School of Law

Jackson, MS

Assistant Professor of Law

2024–Present

Teaching Torts; Business Associations; Bankruptcy

CLERKSHIPS

Hon. Scott W. Everett, U.S. BANKRUPTCY COURT, NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

Judicial Law Clerk

2023–2024

Hon. John P. Gustafson, BANKRUPTCY APPELLATE PANEL, SIXTH CIRCUIT

Judicial Law Clerk

2021–2023

Hon. John P. Gustafson, U.S. BANKRUPTCY COURT, NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO

Judicial Law Clerk

2020–2023

PUBLICATIONS

Articles

The Birth of Creditor Qualified Immunity, 114 KY. L.J. ____ (2025).

The Unscheduled Creditor in a Chapter 7 Case with Assets, 35 LOY. CONSUMER L. REV. 145 (2023).

The Benefits of Hindsight: Determining Whether a Receipt of Benefits Is a Necessary Element of the Fraud Exception to Discharge, 31 AM. BANKR. INST. L. REV. 103 (2023).

A Purchase or a Loan? Rethinking the Transactions Private Equity-Backed Oil and Gas Companies Encounter in Uncharted Waters, 5 OIL & GAS, NAT. RESOURCES, & ENERGY J. 41 (2019), reprinted in Vol. 56, No. 2 ROCKY MTN. MIN. L. FDN. J. 407 (2020).

Essays & Commentary

Does Section 1325(b)(1)(A) Hold Your Interest?, The Academy of the National Association of Chapter 13 Trustees (July 10, 2023).

Cui Pro Bono?, The Academy of the National Association of Chapter 13 Trustees (April 17, 2022).

Objections to Claims: Two of These Creditors Are Not Like the Others, The Academy of the National Association of Chapter 13 Trustees (June 13, 2021).

An Analysis of Pennsylvania's Supreme Court Case: Briggs v. Southwestern Energy Production Co., OIL & GAS, NAT. RESOURCES, & ENERGY J. BLOG (Apr. 25, 2020).

PRESENTATIONS & LECTURES

Guest Lecturer for Professor H. DeWayne “Cooter” Hale, Creditors’ Rights, SMU Dedman School of Law (Spring 2024).

“Basics of the Bankruptcy Automatic Stay,” Starting Out Right, Young Lawyers Committee of the Bankruptcy Section of the State Bar of Texas (January 19, 2024).

“11 U.S.C. § 365: Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases,” Mineral Lawyers Society of Oklahoma City (April 8, 2019).

SERVICE

Mississippi College School of Law

Public Service Law Center, *Director* (2024–Present)

Faculty Appointments Committee, *Member* (2024–Present)

Course Evaluation Task Force, *Member* (2025–Present)

Duberstein Bankruptcy Moot Court Competition, *Coach* (2025)

Atkins v. Hopkins, No 24-60058 (5th Cir. May 12, 2025), *Practice Judge for Defendant-Appellant* (2025)

Brookwood Develop., L.L.C. v. City of Ridgeland, No. 24-60017 (5th Cir. Nov. 20, 2024) (per curiam), *Practice Judge for Defendants-Appellees* (2024)

NYC Bar & American College of Trial Lawyers National Moot Court Team, *Practice Judge* (2024)

Elliot Cup Moot Court Competition

Judge (2024)

Duberstein Bankruptcy Moot Court Competition

Brief Grader (2024)

SELECTED AWARDS

The Hon. John C. Ford American Inn of Court, William J. Rochelle Jr. Chapter 11 Practice Course, “Fab 5” distinction given to the top five students, THE BENCHER, September/October 2024.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Dean of Faculty Committee and Member of Executive Committee, American Board of Certification (2025–Present)

Member, American Bankruptcy Institute

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

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| Preston J. Dugas, PLLC | Fort Worth, TX |
| <i>Law Clerk</i> | Summer 2020 |

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| Oklahoma Corporation Commission | Oklahoma City, OK |
| <i>Externship</i> | Fall 2019 |

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| The University of Oklahoma College of Law | Norman, OK |
| <i>Research Assistant for Professor Monika U. Ehrman</i> | 2018–2020 |

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| Lathrop Gage LLP | Denver, CO |
| <i>Summer Associate</i> | Summer 2019 |

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| The University of Oklahoma College of Law | Norman, OK |
| <i>Research Assistant for Professor Monika U. Ehrman</i> | Summer 2018 |

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| Oklahoma County Public Defender’s Office | Oklahoma City, OK |
| <i>Legal Intern for the Office of the Guardian Ad Litem</i> | Summer 2018 |

EDUCATION

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| The University of Oklahoma College of Law | Norman, OK |
| Juris Doctor | 2020 |

The University of Oklahoma
Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy

Norman, OK
2017

BAR ADMISSIONS

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| State Bar of Texas | 2021 |
| State Bar of Ohio (inactive) | 2021 |
| State Bar of Oklahoma | 2025 |