

***CURRICULUM VITAE
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EDUCATION: Loyola University, New Orleans, Louisiana, Bachelor of Business Administration. Jackson School of Law, (now Mississippi College School of Law), Jackson, Mississippi, Juris Doctor. Master of Laws, Mississippi College School of Law (Honorary).

PROFESSION: Attorney at Law: (1979-Present); Admitted before all Mississippi courts, United States District Court, Southern District of Mississippi, and the United States Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit; Expert Witness/Consultant in Federal and State courts; rated "AV" (highest possible rating) in Martindale-Hubbell in the areas of real estate and litigation; listed in Mid South Super Lawyers, 2006-2010 (one of 9 in Real Estate Law in Mississippi in the 2006 inaugural issue); listed in Who's Who in American Law, (1998-present). He has tried over fifty (50) cases involving real property. He has written title opinions on and closed more than 3000 residential transactions, plus scores of commercial transactions. He has represented over two dozen homeowner associations. He represented the Mississippi Multifamily Counsel for a number of years. He has represented real estate licensees in Mississippi Real Estate Commission matters and hearings. Over ninety percent of his law practice has been devoted to real property and real estate brokerage matters.

Author: Mississippi Real Estate Contracts and Closings, 1991, 2nd Ed. 2000, Thomson West, which has been cited by the Mississippi Supreme Court in Ferrara v Walters, 919 So.2d 876 at 883 (Miss. 2005); Mississippi Real Estate Foreclosure Law With Forms, 1994, 2nd Ed. 2001, Thomson West; Mississippi Landlord And Tenant Law With Forms, 2006, Thomson West, which has been cited by the Mississippi Court of Appeals in Estate of Greer v. Ball, 218 So.3d 1196 at 1198 (Miss. Ct. App. 2016); Real Estate Closing Deskbook, 1997, 2nd Ed. 2003,

American Bar Association; Chapter author (Deeds and Conveyances), Encyclopedia of Mississippi Law, 2001, 2d ed. 2016, Thomson West; Malpractice Prevention For The Residential Real Estate Closing, The Practical Real Estate Lawyer, September 2005; Post Closing Problems, American Bar Association Journal, July 1998; Numerous Continuing Education Seminars approved by the Miss. Real Estate Commission. Numerous copyrighted real estate forms prepared and sold to real estate companies, individuals, and law firms since 1981; prepared hundreds of real estate agreements; listed in Marquis Who's Who in The World, (2002-present).

Educator: Adjunct Instructor, Mississippi College School of Law teaching Real Estate Transactions (2007-present); Conducted over 200 Continuing Education Seminars to attorneys and real estate licensees (1985-Present); his continuing legal education seminars are presumptively approved for credit in Mississippi. Other than Abbot & Weems "Recent Mississippi Law," he is the only individual Sponsor so approved. (See Rule 4.14, Rules and Regulations For Mandatory Continuing Legal Education); Seminar presenter at ABA National Convention, 2004; Belhaven College (1977-1981), Jackson, Miss.; Millsaps College, (1980) Jackson, Mississippi; Hinds Junior College, Raymond, Mississippi, (1976-1977); Mississippi Realtors® Institute, (1978-1982) While chairman of the Jackson Board's Education Committee, he wrote a large portion of the curriculum of the Mississippi REALTORS® Institute to secure national certification. The completion of this curriculum results in the professional designation of "GRI" (Graduate, REALTOR® Institute).

Real Estate Broker: 1972-Present, (Salesperson's license-1971). He had a residential realty company with four salespeople; he was a buyer's agent and real estate consultant; he sold commercial property for Popeye's and Red Lobster restaurant sites in the Jackson, Mississippi Metropolitan area. Assisted in two apartment-to-condominium conversions.

Expert Witness: Testified in U. S. District Court for Southern District of Mississippi (closing attorney negligence, acting as a real estate broker without a license, and incorrect closing documents); testified in Chancery (interpreting an ancient deed), Circuit (inverse condemnation) and County Court

(eminent domain) cases in Mississippi; testified by deposition in other cases that are awaiting trial, or were settled before trial (closing attorney negligence, real estate contracts, easements, legal descriptions, title insurance agent negligence and title searches). Prepared report in another case that was settled before trial (construction liens and public contract performance bonds).

Mediator: Miss. Supreme Court List of Mediators. (1999-present).

**PROFESSIONAL
MEMBERSHIP:**

Madison County Bar Association (2000-2017).

Capitol Area Bar Association (1979-2017).

Tri-County Real Estate Attorneys Association (1989-present; charter member; first President, 1989-1990).

Mississippi Bar Association (1979-Present), (charter member, Real Property Section, 1987-present; Executive Committee, 1987-1989).

American Bar Association (1979-Present) (Member, Real Property, Probate and Trust Law Section, 1979-Present) and (Litigation Section 1979- 2014).

Real Estate Educators Association, (1982-1992); (charter member; State Vice President, 1989).

Jackson Board of Realtors®, (1971-1992); President, 1980; Vice President, 1979; Professional Standards Committee Chairman, 1977 and 1978; Legislative Committee Chairman, 1981.

Miss. Association of Realtors®, (1971-1992); Bylaws Committee chairman, 1979; Education Committee Chairman, 1980.

National Association of Realtors®, (1971-1992): Certified Residential Specialist (CRS); First Certified Energy Instructor in Miss.

SPEAKER: Mississippi Apartment Association, Miss. Landlord and Tenant Law, (November, 2016).

Mississippi Judicial College, Justice Court Judges, Miss. Landlord and Tenant Law, (April and October, 2015).

MC School of Law, Mediation Conference, Real Estate Mediation, (March, 2011).

Conference of Chancery Judges for Miss.: Access to Real Property, (January, 2010).

Real Property Section, Miss. Bar Association, Ethical Considerations for the Closing Attorney, October, 2009.

National Business Institute, Inc., Resolving Real Estate Title Defects, Ethical Considerations (2008 and 2009).

Lorman Education Services, Fundamentals of Real Estate Closings In Mississippi, (2006 and 2007).

Miss. Bar Assoc., 4th Annual Bridge the Gap Seminar, Real Estate, (2004).

American Bar Assoc., Annual Meeting, Malpractice Prevention for the Real Estate Attorney, (2004).

HalfMoon Seminars, Miss. Real Estate Titles And Title Insurance, (1998, 2000, 2002 and 2005).

Security Title Guarantee Corp. Of Baltimore, Miss. Seminar (2002 and 2006).

Tenth Annual MC School of Law, Real Estate Seminar, (1995).

Miss. Assoc. Of Legal Assistants, Annual Seminar (1995).

National Business Institute, Inc. Keys to Success in a Real Estate Transaction in Miss., (1995).

Ninth Annual MC School of Law, Real Estate Seminar (1994).

MILITARY:

Mississippi Army National Guard, 1967-1976. Served in Combat Engineering Company, Military Police Company and Mobile Army Surgical Hospital (M.A.S.H) Company. Highest Rank: E-7, Sargent First Class.

AREAS OF PRACTICE

EXPERT TESTIMONY AND CONSULTATION

REAL ESTATE:

Drafting Contracts; Seller Misrepresentation; Drafting and Interpreting Restrictive Covenants; Representation of Property Owners Associations; Title Searches, Problems and Confirmation; Boundary Line Agreements and Disputes; Easements; Surface Water Drainage Issues; Deed of Trust Power of Sale and Judicial Foreclosures, and Wrongful Foreclosures; Landlord/Tenant Matters; Sixteenth Section and Barnett Reservoir Leasehold Matters; Real Property Tax Issues and Tax Sales; Real Estate Brokerage; Eminent Domain and Inverse Condemnation; Access; Adverse Possession; Legal Opinion Letters; Public Trust Tidelands, Title Insurance; Matters before the Mississippi Real Estate Commission and the Mississippi Appraisal Board.

WILLS – PROBATE – ESTATE ADMINISTRATION: Drafting Powers of Attorney and Simple Wills; Probate of Wills; Administration of Estates.

BUSINESS:

Registered Agent Services, Formation of Corporations and Limited Liability Companies; Sales of Small Businesses and Professional Practices.

MALPRACTICE:

Professional malpractice by Attorneys and Real Estate Agents.