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## Professional Experience

Law Professor (tenured), University of South Carolina, 1978–present  
SUBJECTS TAUGHT: Professional Responsibility; Judicial Ethics; Legal Profession;  
Contracts; Corporate Law; Business Planning; Agency, Partnership & Limited Liability  
Companies; Antitrust; International Business Law; European Union Law  
Founding Director, Program on Judicial Ethics, Selection, Accountability, and  
Independence, University of South Carolina School of Law (2003-present)  
Visiting Professor of Law, Pskov Volny University, Pskov, Russia, Spring 2001  
Visiting Professor of Law, University of Southampton, Southampton, England,  
Fall 1989  
Visiting Professor of Law, Rutgers University, Newark, NJ, 1983-1984  
Stagiaire, Commission of the European Communities (European Union),  
Brussels, Belgium, 1979  
Research Associate, Institute of European Studies, University of Brussels(U.L.B.), 1979  
Visiting Scholar, Faculté de Droit, Université Catholique de Louvain,  
Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium, 1978  
Jervey Fellow in Foreign Law, Parker School, Columbia University, 1977-1979  
Assistant Professor, Southern University School of Law, 1975-1977  
Consultant, Louisiana Legislative Council, 1976-1977  
Attorney with Breazeale, Sachse & Wilson, Baton Rouge, LA, 1973-1975

## Education

J.S.D. 1986  
*Columbia University School of Law* *New York, New York*  
Dissertation: Control of Monopoly Power in Europe and the United States

LL.M. 1979  
*Columbia University School of Law* *New York, New York*  
Thesis: E.E.C. and U.S. Antitrust Regulation of Monopolists' Refusals to Deal

J.D. 1973  
*Louisiana State University Law Center* *Baton Rouge, LA*  
Order of the Coif; Louisiana Law Review; Moot Court Board; Winner, Robert Lee Tullis Moot  
Court Competition before the Louisiana Supreme Court.

B.S. 1977  
*Louisiana State University* *Baton Rouge, LA*  
Phi Kappa Phi

*College of Arts & Science* 1966-1968  
*Vanderbilt University* *Nashville, TN*

## Honors and Recognition

Outstanding Faculty Publications Award, University of South Carolina School of Law  
(April 2006, Book, Runner Up)  
Louisiana State University Law Center Hall of Fame  
Who's Who in the World  
Who's Who in America  
Who's Who in American Law  
Who's Who in American Education  
Who's Who in the South and Southwest  
Who's Who of Emerging Leaders in America  
Who's Who in Law Education  
Dictionary of Int'l Biography (Cambridge, U.K.)  
*Smith v. Haynsworth, Marion, McKay & Guerard*, 322 S.C. 433, 472 S.E.2d 612 (1996) (holding  
GBA qualified as an expert witness; reversible error to rule otherwise)  
*Ellis v. Davidson*, 358 S.C. 509, 595 S.E.2d 817 (S.C. Ct. App., 2004) (holding it was reversible  
error to discount GBA's expert opinion and fail to give it efficacy)  
*Davis v. Hamm*, 300 S.C. 284, 387 S.E.2d 676 (Ct. App., 1989) ("excellent discussion of the  
ramifications of these statutes" by GBA in "Litigation of Corporate Law Disputes After the  
Recent Amendments of the Corporate Code," in Current Issues in Civil Litigation, a South  
Carolina Bar Continuing Judicial Legal Education Seminar 4/14/89)

## Publications

South Carolina Corporate Practice Manual (2<sup>nd</sup> ed. 2005, S.C. Bar) (with  
Burkhard, Cleveland, Clark, Hellwig, Merline).  
"Reflections on the Reactions to Proposed Rule 8.5: Consensus of Failure," 36 S. Texas  
Law Review 1101 (1995).  
"Introductory Remarks to the Conference on the Commercialization of the Legal  
Profession," 45 S.C. L. Rev. 883 (1994) (with Nathan M. Crystal).  
Report of the Proceedings, Conference on the Commercialization of the Legal  
Profession (with Nathan M. Crystal): "Summary of Discussion of Frankel Paper," 45 S.C.L.  
Rev. 901 (1994); "Summary of Discussion of Palay/Galanter Paper," 45 S.C.L. Rev. 929  
(1994); "Summary of Discussion of Martyn Paper," 45 S.C.L. Rev. 961 (1994); "Summary of  
Discussion of Dimitriou Paper," 45 S.C.L. Rev. 999 (1994).  
"The Ethical Lawyer," occasional column in the S.C. Trial Lawyer Bulletin since 1994.  
"Suing Corporations and Those Behind Them," 1992 S.C. Trial Lawyer Bulletin 17.  
South Carolina Corporate Practice Manual (S.C. Bar, 1989) (with Cleveland, Burkhard,  
McWilliams).  
"European and American Antitrust Regulation of Pricing by Monopolists," 18 Vanderbilt Journal  
of Trans. Law 1 (1985).  
"Antitrust Constraints on Single-Firm Refusals to Deal by Monopolists in the European  
Economic Community and the United States," 20 Texas Int'l L. J. 1 (1985).  
"The 1981 Revision of the South Carolina Business Corporation Act," 33 S.C. L. Rev. 405  
(1982).  
"Inheritance Taxation of Trusts," in 11 L. Oppenheim & S. Ingram, Louisiana Civil Law  
Treatise, Trusts (1977).

## Amicus Curiae Briefs

*Ex Parte Strom, in re Collins Entertainment Corp. v. Columbia "20" Truck Stop*, 343 S.C. 257, 539 S.E.2d 699 (2000) (establishing that attorney's duties to client continued until court granted motion relieving attorney).

*Linder v. Insurance Claims Consultants*, 348 S.C. 477, 560 S.E.2d 612 (2002) (on behalf of the S.C. Bar, clarifying scope of activities constituting the practice of law).

*Brown v. Bi-Lo*, 354 S.C. 436, 581 S.E.2d 836 (2003) (on behalf of the S.C. Trial Lawyers Association, protecting the confidentiality of physician-patient relationship).

## Public Service

Member, S.C. Bar, Professional Responsibility Committee, 1993-present (chair or member of numerous subcommittees, including Ethics 2000 Subcommittee; presented Ethics 2000 recommendations to S.C. Bar House of Delegates).

Member, S.C. Bar, Unauthorized Practice Committee, 1994, 2000-2003.

Member, S.C. Bar, Technology Committee, 1996-1998.

Ethics Consultant, South Carolina Trial Lawyers Association, 1994-present.

Founder and Vice-President, South Carolina Association of Ethics Counsel, 2000-present.

Expert Witness and advisor to the South Carolina Attorney General in the criminal investigation and prosecutions for securities fraud in connection with the failure of Carolina Investors and HomeGold Financial, 2003-2005.

Expert Consultant for the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control, re: piercing the corporate veil to impose environmental liability under CERCLA, 1997-1999.

Reporter, South Carolina Uniform Commercial Code Article 2A (South Carolina Law Institute for the South Carolina General Assembly, 1996-2001).

Expert Witness and advisor to the South Carolina Attorney General in criminal prosecution of John O'Quinn, Esq. for unauthorized practice of law and illegal solicitation, 1996-1997.

Co-Reporter, Conference on the Commercialization of the Legal Profession, Charleston, S.C., May 28-29, 1993.

Expert Witness for the United States before the Federal Grand Jury investigating securities fraud, May 1993.

Member, Governing Board, Center for Law, the Legal Profession, and Public Policy, 1991-93, 1998-2000.

Member, Blue Ribbon Committee on Corporate Law, South Carolina Secretary of State, 1991-1995.

Securities Law Expert for the South Carolina Attorney General in connection with the bankruptcy of Patriots Point Associates, 1989-91.

Advisor to the S.C. Deputy Securities Commissioner and the S.C. Senate Judiciary Committee on Corporate Law issues.

Co-Reporter, South Carolina Business Corporation Act of 1988 (South Carolina Law Institute for the South Carolina General Assembly, 1986-88).

Member, Louisiana State Law Institute, Civil Code Revision Committee, 1975-1977

## Presentations

- “The New South Carolina Rules of Professional Conduct,” Tenth Annual Charleston County Probate Court Seminar, The Mills House Hotel, Charleston, S.C. (12/15/05).
- “Ethical Use of Discovery Under the Workers' Compensation Act; Contact with Employer Witnesses; Use of Subpoenas in a Workers' Compensation Case; Frivolous Defenses: What to do About Them,” ASCCAWC Annual Meeting, Grove Park Inn, Asheville, N.C. (11/4/05).
- “Applying the SC Code of Judicial Conduct to Workers' Compensation Commissioners: Lessons for Lawyers Practicing Before the Commission,” SCWCEA Educational Conference CLE, Marriott Myrtle Beach Resort (10/24/05).
- “The New SC Rules of Professional Conduct: You Really Can't Do THAT Anymore!,” SCWCEA Educational Conference, Marriott Myrtle Beach Resort (10/24/05).
- “Newly Revised Frivolous Procedures Act & Other Ethical Issues,” SCTL A Tort Reform Seminar, Columbia, S.C. (10/14/05).
- Moderator and Coordinator, S.C. Corporate Practice Seminar, S.C. Bar CLE, U.S.C. Law School (9/30/05). Speaker:
- “Ethical Issues in S.C. Corporate Law for the General Practitioner and the Corporate Lawyer:
    - Ethical Issues Presented by Choices of Control Devices
    - Ethical Issues Arising from Threats of Owner Liability
    - The Big Ethical Question: Who Is The Client?”
- “The Code of Judicial Conduct: Does It Effect How We Practice Workers' Comp?,” S.C. Bar CLE, U.S.C. Law School (8/26/05).
- “Ethics Seminar: The New Rules of Professional Conduct,” SCTL A Annual Convention, Hilton Head Island (8/5/05).
- “Ethics 2000: The New Rules of Professional Conduct — You Can't Do That Anymore!,” C.L.E. Ethics Seminar, Richland County Bar Association (11/5/04).
- “Judicial Ethics Review,” J.C.L.E. Ethics Seminar, S.C. Court Administration Magistrates' Training Program, Charleston, S.C. (8/18/04).
- “The New S.C. Lawyers' Oath,” C.L.E. Seminar, S.C. Bar, Charleston, S.C. (6/25/04).
- “Judicial Ethics Review,” J.C.L.E. Ethics Seminar, S.C. Court Administration Magistrates' Training Program, Columbia, S.C. (4/23/04).
- “Ethics 2000 and Lawyers' Fees,” C.L.E. Ethics Seminar, S.C. Bar & S.C. Association of Ethics Counsel, Columbia, S.C. (11/15/03).
- “The Ethical Implications of *Brown v. Bi-Lo*,” S.C. Workers Comp. Educational Ass'n Educational Conference, Kingston Plantation, Myrtle Beach, S.C. (10/20/03).
- “Ethics 2000: The New Rules of Professional Conduct & Multi-Jurisdictional Practice of Law,” C.L.E. Ethics Seminar, Investors Title Insurance Company Seminars (9/17/03 Rock Hill, 9/12/03 Hilton Head Island).
- “Ethics 2000: The New Rules of Professional Conduct — You Can't Do That Anymore!,” C.L.E. Ethics Seminar, S.C.T.L.A. Convention (8/8/03).
- “Political & Legal Ethics: The Pitfalls to Avoid,” C.L.E. Ethics Seminar, S.C. Bar Annual Convention (Young Lawyers Division) (1/24/03).
- “Recent Developments in Legal Ethics,” C.L.E. Ethics Seminar, S.C. Bar & S.C. Association of Ethics Counsel (12/14/02).
- “Current Ethical Issues in Real Estate Practice,” C.L.E. Ethics Seminar, Security Title Insurance Company (11/8/02).
- “Ethics of Attorney's Fees for Domestic Law Attorneys,” C.L.E. Ethics Seminar, S.C. Bar (9/20/02).
- “Discovery Abuse and Litigation Ethics,” Paralegal Continuing Education Seminar, S.C.T.L.A. Convention (8/3/02).

- “Discovery Abuse, Litigation Ethics, Supervision and Other Horrors,” C.L.E. Ethics Seminar, S.C.T.L.A. Conv. (8/2/02).
- “Ethical Issues in Attorney Marketing Under the Amended Rules,” C.L.E. Ethics Seminar, S.C. Bar (7/26/02).
- “Ethics in the Practice of Criminal Law,” C.L.E. Ethics Seminar, S.C. Bar (5/10/02).
- “Professional Ethics in the Real World: Communication with Witnesses,” C.L.E. Ethics Seminar, Ass’n S.C. Claimants’ Attorneys for Workers Comp. (5/3/02).
- “Lawyers and Paralegals Practicing Law When and Where They Shouldn’t,” C.L.E. Ethics Seminar, S.C. Bar and South Carolina Ass’n of Ethics Counsel (12/15/01).
- “Proposed Disclosure Rule and Goods Funds Statute in South Carolina,” C.L.E. Ethics Seminar, S.C. Bar (8/17/01).
- “Recent Developments in Ethics and Professional Responsibility,” C.L.E. Ethics Seminar, S.C.T.L.A. Convention (8/3/01).
- “Ethical Perils for Family Practitioners: Keeping Your License and Keeping Your Practice,” C.L.E. Ethics Seminar, S.C. Bar (12/2/00).
- “Ethical Issues in Workers Compensation Practice,” C.L.E. Ethics Seminar, S.C. Workers' Comp. Educational Ass'n, Kingston Plantation, Myrtle Beach, S.C. (10/23/00).
- “The Things That Make Paralegals Indispensable: Technology and the Future of the Practice of Law,” Paralegal Continuing Education Seminar, S.C.T.L.A. Convention (8/5/00).
- “Recent Developments in Ethics and Professional Responsibility,” C.L.E. Ethics Seminar, S.C.T.L.A. Convention (8/4/00).
- “The Internet – Legal Ethics in Cyberspace: Marketing on the Web and Communicating Via Email Under the Rules of Professional Conduct and the Amended South Carolina Rules Governing Advertising,” SC Defense Trial Attorney's Association & SC Claim Manager's Association CLE at Grove Park Inn, Asheville, N.C. (7/29/00).
- “The Internet – Legal Ethics in Cyberspace: Marketing on the Web and Communicating Via Email Under the Rules of Professional Conduct and the Amended South Carolina Rules Governing Advertising,” C.L.E. Ethics Seminar, S.C. Bar (4/28/00).
- “The Responsibility of Administrative Law Judges to Control Unethical and Unprofessional Conduct by Lawyers: Ethical Prohibitions, Remedies and Sanctions,” ALJ CLE Seminar, Southern States Association of Administrative Law Judges (3/17/00).
- “S.C. Appellate Procedure: The New Relationship Between the Supreme Court and the Court of Appeals,” Paralegal Continuing Education Seminar, Ass’n S.C. Claimant Attorneys for Workers Comp., Asheville, N.C. (1/22/00).
- “Professionalism: Advertising Ethically Under the Amended S.C. Rules of Professional Conduct,” C.L.E. Ethics Seminar, S.C. Bar (1/14/00).
- “Multi-Jurisdictional Practice of Law: *Pro Hac Vice* Admission and Unauthorized Practice,” C.L.E. Ethics Seminar, S.C. Bar (12/11/99).
- “Hot Issues in Ethics: Marketing Under the Rules of Professional Conduct and the Amended South Carolina Rules Governing Advertising,” C.L.E. Ethics Seminar, S.C. Bar (10/29/99).
- “Ethical and Professional Responsibility Issues in Litigation: Discovery Abuse,” C.L.E. Ethics Seminar, S.C. Bar and Univ. of South Carolina School of Law (12/12/98).
- “Multi-Jurisdictional Practice of Law: *Pro Hac Vice* Admission and Unauthorized Practice,” C.L.E. Ethics Seminar, S.C. Bar (12/8/98).
- “Discovery Abuse: Bane of Professionalism? Ethical Prohibitions & Court-Ordered Sanctions,” C.L.E. Ethics Seminar, S.C.T.L.A. Convention (8/14/98).
- “*Hedgepath & McCormick* and the Ethics of Ex-Parte Communication with Treating Physicians,” Workers Comp. C.L.E. Seminar, S.C.T.L.A. Convention (8/14/98).
- “Legal Ethics for a Multi-State Law Firm,” C.L.E. for a Major S.C. Law Firm (8/8/98).
- “Prudent Ethical Conduct after *Hedgepath*,” Medical Staff, McLeod Hospital, Florence, S.C. (4/6/98).

- “What is the Effect of *Hedgepath* on Doctors' Duties to Workers' Comp Patients?” S.C. Workers Comp. Educational Ass'n Annual Meeting, Charleston, S.C. (2/22/98).
- “Confidentiality, Privilege, and the Attorney as Witness, Gossip, or Snitch,” C.L.E. Ethics Seminar, S.C. Bar and Univ. of South Carolina School of Law (1/10/98).
- “Law Firm Breakups and Departing Lawyers,” C.L.E. Ethics Seminar, S.C. Bar and University of South Carolina School of Law (12/13/97).
- “*Hedgepath* & Lawyers' Professional Conduct: Implications in Workers' Compensation Proceedings,” C.L.E. Seminar, The Association of South Carolina Claimant Attorneys for Workers' Compensation, Asheville, N.C. (11/14/97).
- “Ethics: Judicial Immunity for Administrative Law Judges,” J.C.L.E. Seminar, Chief Administrative Law Judges Conference, Charleston, SC (11/6/97).
- “*Hedgepath* and the Rules of Professional Conduct: Who Can We (and They) Talk to Now?” C.L.E. Ethics Seminar, S.C.T.L.A. Convention (8/15/97).
- “Ways to Get in Trouble: Old and New,” C.L.E. Ethics Seminar, University of South Carolina School of Law (12/7/96).
- “Ethics for the Modern Lawyer on the Information Superhighway,” C.L.E. Ethics Seminar, S.C.T.L.A. Convention (8/9/96).
- “Mobile Lawyers and Mobile Clients,” C.L.E. Ethics Seminar, University of South Carolina School of Law (12/95).
- “Constitutional Restrictions on Regulation of Lawyer Advertising,” House of Delegates, S.C. Bar (1/21/94).
- “Ethical Issues Facing Law Firms,” C.L.E. Seminar, University of South Carolina School of Law (1/9/93).
- “Ethical Issues in Office Practice,” C.L.E. Seminar, University of South Carolina School of Law (12/5/92).
- “Lawyer Television Advertising: A Video Presentation,” U.S.C. Law School Faculty Ethics C.L.E. Seminar (10/22/92).
- “The Ethical Dilemma of Corporate Counsel,” C.L.E. Seminar, Farm Credit Sys. General Counsels Conference (10/7/92).
- “Lawyer Advertising – The Great Debate,” Moderator, C.L.E. Ethics Seminar, S.C.T.L.A. Convention (8/14/92).
- “Civil Litigation,” in Ethical Issues in Litigation, C.L.E. Seminar, University of South Carolina School of Law (1/11/92).
- “Shareholders' Rights in Disputes with a Corporation and those in Control,” in Planning for Business Corporations: A Guide for General Practitioners, C.L.E. Seminar (1/3/92).
- “Ethical Issues in Civil Litigation,” in Legal Ethics and Professional Responsibility, a Video/C.L.E. Seminar (12/6/91).
- “A Walk Through the New South Carolina Rules of Professional Conduct,” C.L.E., U.S.C. School of Law (1/12/91).
- “Corporate Litigation and Liabilities of Corporations, Directors, Officers, and Shareholders after the 1988 Revision of the South Carolina Business Corporation Act,” in Current Issues in Civil Litigation, a C.J.E. Seminar (4/14/89).
- “Fundamental Corporate Changes and Dissenters' Rights under the South Carolina Business Corporation Act of 1988,” in The New South Carolina Corporation Act, a Video/C.L.E. Seminar (12/16/88).

## University and Community Service

Member, Dean Review Committee for the Dean of the College of Criminal Justice, 2003  
Member, Faculty Manual Revision Committee, Faculty Senate, University of South Carolina, 1998-1999  
Parliamentarian, University of South Carolina Faculty, 1997-2004  
Member, Steering Committee, University of South Carolina Faculty Senate, 1997-2004  
Faculty Senator, University of South Carolina, 1983-1985, 1995-1998, 2000-2003  
Faculty Advisor, ABA National Appellate Advocacy Competition Team, University of South Carolina School of Law, 1995-1996  
Faculty Advisor, ABA National Appellate Advocacy Competition Team, University of South Carolina School of Law, 1982-1983 (won Regional Competition)  
Faculty Advisor, National Moot Court Competition Team, University of South Carolina School of Law, 1980-1981  
Committee Chairman, BSA Troop 788, St. David's Episcopal Church, Columbia, SC 1996-2003  
Scoutmaster & Founder, BSA Troop 788, St. David's Episcopal Church, Columbia, SC 1992-1996  
Assistant Scoutmaster, Committee Chairman, Committee Member, BSA Troop 388, Windsor United Methodist Church, Columbia, SC 1986-1992  
Junior Warden, Vestry, St. David's Episcopal Church, Columbia, SC 1984-1987  
Chorister, Good Shepherd Episcopal Church, Columbia, SC 1999-2004  
Chorister, St. David's Episcopal Church, Columbia, SC 1984-1998  
Chairman, Christian Education Committee, St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church, Columbia, SC 1981-1983  
President, Richland Northeast High School Parents, Teachers, Students Organization, Columbia, SC 1992-1997  
Member, Richland School District Two Strategic Planning Committee, Columbia, SC 1995-1996  
Member, Richland School District Two New High School (Ridge View) Planning Committee, Columbia, SC 1993-1994