

Class Notes

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1940s

Marvin H. Shoob (1948) of Atlanta, GA, was the luncheon speaker at a disability law symposium marking the 10th anniversary of the Supreme Court case *Olmstead v. L.C.*

1960s

Horace H. Sibley (1964) of Atlanta, GA, stepped down as chair of a United Way Regional Commission on Homelessness after six years of service.



James H. Blanchard (1965) of Columbus, GA, received the inaugural Georgia Ethics in Business Award, which will carry his name for

future presentations. **O. Wayne Ellerbee** (1965) of Valdosta, GA,

was featured in the "At Random" column of *The Valdosta Daily Times*. **Maria Bouchelle Campbell** (1967) of Birmingham, AL, joined Maynard Cooper & Gale as of counsel.



Thomas J. Harrold Jr. (1969) of Dunwoody, GA, received Germany's Cross of Merit award, which is the highest

tribute Germany gives to recognize service in political, economic and philanthropic work.

1970 - 1974

William A. Clineburg (1970) of Atlanta, GA, joined Taylor English Duma as a partner.

Burton W. Wiand (1971) of Clearwater Beach, FL, established the firm of Wiand Guerra King. **G. Peter**

Donaldson III (1972) of Albany, GA, was inducted into the Georgia Fellows of the American College of Trial Lawyers. **Joseph**

A. Neurauter (1973) of Reston, VA, joined the U.S. General Services Administration as a suspension and debarment official. **William D. Barwick** (1974) of Atlanta, GA, joined Duane Morris as a partner.



W. Johnny Camp (1974) of Macon, GA, had his article "Health Care Options for Former Military Spouses: Tricare and

the Continued Health Care Benefit Program" published in the *ABA Family Quarterly*. **Douglas N. Peters** (1974) of Stone Mountain, GA, was inducted into the Georgia Fellows of the American College of Trial Lawyers.

1975 - 1979

Robert S. Glenn Jr. (1976) of Savannah, GA, joined Ellis, Painter, Ratterree & Adams.

Janice G. Hildenbrand (1976) of Bloomfield Hills, MI, was recognized by *Super Lawyers* magazine as one of the top Michigan defense attorneys in the area of employment litigation.

W. Donald Morgan Jr. (1976) of Columbus, GA, established his own law firm. **J. Stephen Schuster** (1976) of Marietta, GA, was featured in an article in the *Fulton County Daily Report* for his service on the Superior Court bench. **James E. Bethel** (1977) of Dalton, GA, retired from J & J Industries on Dec. 31, 2009, after 30 years of service.



Cynthia A. Smith (1978) of Clearwater, FL, joined Eckerd Youth Alternatives Inc. as chief development officer. **Jeffrey C.**

Stair (1978) of Chamblee, GA, was appointed to the Georgia Public Service Commission Advisory Committee by Gov. Sonny Perdue.



Cada T. Kilgore III (1979) of Atlanta, GA, joined Autry, Horton & Cole as of counsel.

1980 - 1984

R. Calhoun Martin Jr. (1980) of Columbus, GA, was inducted into the Georgia Fellows of the American College of Trial Lawyers. **David E. Ralston**

(1980) of Blue Ridge, GA, was elected speaker of the House for the state of Georgia. **William H. Boling Jr.** (1981) of Atlanta, GA, joined Smith Moore Leatherwood as of counsel. **Andrew F.**

Emerson (1981) of Dallas, TX, joined Palmer & Manuel. **Beverly B. Martin** (1981) of Atlanta, GA, was confirmed by the U.S.

Senate to serve as a judge for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 11th Circuit. **Kathelen V. Amos** (1982) of Columbus, GA, was elected to Emory University's board of trustees.



D. Albert Brannen (1982) of Atlanta, GA, was selected by his peers for inclusion in the *Georgia Trend* "Legal Elite" for 2009

for his labor and employment practice. **Donald L. Johstono** (1982) of Macon, GA, established his own law firm. **Steven W. Smith** (1982) of Marietta, GA, was named senior vice president & general counsel of the

Americas of InterContinental
Hotels Group.



Mark F. Taylor (1982) of Atlanta, GA, was appointed chief executive officer and vice chairman of the board of directors of the Fred Taylor Company.

Gregory C. Sowell (1983) of Tifton, GA, was elected president of the UGA Law School Association for 2009 - 2010.

Gregory A. Adams (1984) of Stone Mountain, GA, received the 2009 Thurgood Marshall Award during the DeKalb County NAACP Freedom Awards Banquet.

J. Cole Cartledge (1984) of Washington, D.C./Jacksonville, FL, celebrated with his wife Amy the birth of their son Alexander Bolling on Dec. 10, 2009. **Dorinda Gilmore Dallmeyer** (1984) of Danielsville, GA, gave the commencement address for the UGA Graduate School in December 2009.

Edward H. Lindsey Jr. (1984) of Atlanta, GA, received the Public Service Award at the 2009 Atlanta Bar Association's Celebrating Service Awards Luncheon and was elected majority whip of the Georgia House of Representatives.

Gerald L. Mize Jr. (1984) of Atlanta, GA, was elected to the partners' committee at Alston & Bird.

1985 - 1989

Michael L. Chidester (1985) of Byron, GA, was re-elected for a third term to the Byron City Council. **Stephen Krebs** (1985) of Houston, TX, was named one of six leading lawyers in alternative energy by *Chambers USA* in 2009. Additionally, he heads the alternative energy practice at Baker Botts and serves as co-chair of WINDPOWER, the largest annual wind conference sponsored by the American Wind Energy Association. **Melody Z.**

Richardson (1985) of Atlanta, GA, received the Community Service Award at the 2009 Atlanta Bar Association's Celebrating Service Awards Luncheon. **Daniel P. Griffin** (1986) of Atlanta, GA, was elected managing member of the Atlanta office of Miller & Martin. **Stephen D. Kelley** (1986) of Brunswick, GA, was named "District Attorney of the Year" by the Prosecuting Attorney's Council of Georgia and was named "Man of the Year" by the Glynn County Republican Party. He was recently named Superior Court judge for the Brunswick Judicial Circuit by Gov. Sonny



Perdue. **Peter D. Muller** (1987) of Savannah, GA, joined the Savannah office of Goodman, McGuffey, Lindsey & Johnson as managing partner.

W. Kendall Wynne Jr. (1987) of Covington, GA, was named a Superior Court judge for the Alcovy Judicial Circuit by Gov. Sonny Perdue. **Benjamin H. Brewton** (1988) of Augusta, GA, was inducted into the Georgia Fellows of the American College of Trial Lawyers. **Bradford C. Dodds** (1988) of Columbus, GA, established the firm of Day & Dodds. **Henry M. Quillian III** (1988) of Atlanta, GA, joined Taylor English Duma as a member. **J. Michael Boeck** (1989) of Annapolis, MD, joined the Baltimore City Health Department.

1990 - 1994

William C. Collins Jr. (1990) of Atlanta, GA, was elected to the Sandy Springs City Council. **Michael J. Keller** (1991) of Pompano Beach, FL, joined McDermott, Will & Emery as a partner. **Robert L. Shannon Jr.** (1991) of Marietta, GA, is the first African American to be promoted to Brigadier General in the Georgia Air National Guard. He was nominated by the first African American President (*nominated by President Obama on Jan. 21, 2010*) and was confirmed by the U.S. Senate on Feb. 2, 2010, during Black History month. He is also to be awarded the Legion of Merit, which is a military decoration of the U.S. armed forces that is awarded for exceptionally

meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services and achievements.

Edward J. Tarver (1991) of Augusta, GA, was sworn in as the first African American U.S. attorney for the Southern District of Georgia. **Thomas C. Rawlings** (1992) of Sandersville, GA, has become the director of the Guatemala Field Office of the International Justice Mission. **Edward C. Henderson Jr.** (1993) of Decatur, GA, joined Taylor English Duma as of counsel.



Peter G. Stathopoulos (1993) of Atlanta, GA, was named a shareholder with Bennett Thrasher. **Derek V. Dooley** (1994) of

Knoxville, TN, was named head football coach at the University of Tennessee.

1995 - 1999

Elizabeth Dallas Gobeil (1995) of Atlanta, GA, joined UCB Inc. as in-house counsel. **Julia A. Houston** (1995) of Atlanta, GA, was promoted to senior vice president and general counsel for Mirant Corp. **James K. Reed** (1995) of Marietta, GA, joined YKK Corporation of America as vice president and chief legal counsel. **Jami Leeson Huber** (1996) of West Palm Beach, FL, was named a member with Miller & O'Neill. **David C. King** (1996) of Atlanta, GA, joined Smith

Currie & Hancock. **Alexander J. Passantino** (1996) of Alexandria, VA, joined the Washington, D.C., office of Seyfarth Shaw. **Amelia Bever Willis** (1996) of Marietta, GA, celebrated with her husband Michael the birth of their daughter Caroline Grace on Aug.



3, 2009. **Matthew C. Kramer** (1997) of Atlanta, GA, celebrated with his wife Katrina the birth of their daughter Devan Denny on Jan. 7, 2010. **Ian N.**

Matthes (1997) of Roswell, GA, celebrated with his wife Steph the birth of their daughter Charlotte "Charlie" Rita on Dec. 4, 2009. **Joshua C. Bell** (1998) of Whigham, GA, established his own law office. **Leigh Wansley Burgess** (1998) of Atlanta, GA, joined the Office of Bar Admissions as a special investigations analyst. **Jeanna G. Fennell** (1998) of Macon, GA, joined the Georgia Farm Bureau as director of legal services.



Keith A. Jernigan (1999) of Atlanta, GA, made partner with Coleman Talley.

2000 - 2004

Lori A. Gelchion (2000) of Atlanta, GA, was promoted to partner at Rogers & Hardin. **Bill C. Wainwright III** (2000) of Atlanta, GA, made partner with

McKenna Long & Aldridge. **Anita Johnson Clark** (2001) of Jonesboro, GA, celebrated with her husband Ted the birth of their daughter Catherine "Cate" Lucy on Sept. 4, 2009. **Jeffrey K. Douglass** (2001) of Atlanta, GA, became a partner with Morris, Manning & Martin.



Michael P. Kohler (2001) of Marietta, GA, became a member with Miller & Martin and celebrated with his wife Catherine the

birth of their daughter Avery Clarke on Sept. 11, 2009. **Scott M. Lenhart** (2001) of Atlanta, GA, established his own firm. **Melissa D. Koehler Dwyer** (2002) of Atlanta, GA, associated with Neel and Robinson. **Rick M. Figlio** (2002) of Tallahassee, FL, associated with Ausley & McMullen. **Andrew E. Goldner** (2002) of Atlanta, GA, established his own law firm. Additionally, he was selected again by his peers as a "Rising Star" in the area of plaintiff's personal injury trial law. **Karen Giles Hazzah** (2002) of Dunwoody, GA, became a partner with Thomas, Kayden, Horstemeyer & Risley.



W. Joseph Miguez (2002) of Frisco, TX, was made shareholder with Littler Mendelson. **Giles M. Schanen** (2002) of Greer, SC, became a

partner with Nelson, Mullin, Riley & Scarborough. **Timothy M. Silvis** (2002) of Atlanta, GA, became a member with Miller & Martin. **Josh B. Belinfante** (2003) of Sandy Springs, GA, was appointed to the board of directors of MCG Health Inc. and to the nominating committee for Georgia's Child Advocate by Gov. Sonny Perdue. **Tracey Wagner Pruiett** (2003) of Naples, Italy, joined the Naples, Italy, office of Wittenberg Weiner Consulting as a senior management analyst. **W. Ryan Teague** (2003) of Atlanta, GA, was appointed deputy executive counsel by Gov. Sonny Perdue. **Amitabha Bose** (2004) of Washington, D.C., joined the Federal Railroad Administration as director of legislative affairs. **Lisa F. Caplan** (2004) of Lawrenceville, GA, joined Rubin Lublin Suarez Serrano as a partner. **Timika Woods Dennis** (2004) of Jonesboro, GA, has been named junior partner with Lister & Holt. **Dante L. Hudson** (2004) of Brunswick, GA, joined the Brunswick Judicial Circuit Public Defender Office as chief assistant public defender. **Tamika C. Sykes** (2004) of Fairburn, GA, established the firm of Sykes & Ladson.

2005 - 2009

Meredith Nesbitt Atwood (2005) of Lawrenceville, GA, joined Aldridge Connors.

Matthew D. Henry (2005) of Cleveland, OH, joined the Department of Economics at Cleveland State University as an assistant professor.



Sarah E. Kelman (2005) of Fullerton, CA, celebrated with her husband David the birth of their daughter Zoe Beatrice on Dec.

14, 2009. **Scott E. Zweigel** (2005) of Atlanta, GA, associated with Parker Hudson Rainer & Dobbs. **C. Caleb Connor** (2006) of Augusta, GA, celebrated with his wife Farris the birth of their second daughter Kathryn "Ryals" born on Sept. 23, 2009.

Jonathan A. Dunn (2006) of Charlotte, NC, joined Lowe's Companies Inc. as corporate counsel. **Ella A. Shagabutdinova** (2006) of Washington, D.C., was named a senior fellow for the House Foreign Affairs Committee/Tom Lantos Human Rights Commission. **Ellen Claire Carothers** (2007) of Atlanta, GA, associated with McKenna Long & Aldridge. **Meredith Shultz Gaunce** (2007) of Savannah, GA, announced the publication of her book, *Traveling Savannah: A Girl's Guide*. **Kimberly J.**

Gilfedder (2007) of Atlanta, GA, associated with Cohen & Caproni. **Dar'shun N. Kendrick** (2007) of Decatur, GA, established her own law firm.



Lori M. Leonardo (2007) of Atlanta, GA, associated with Buchanan & Land. **Cristine Lise Patterson** (2007) of Atlanta, GA, associated with Aldridge Connors. **Daniel H. Dunavant** (2008) of Atlanta, GA, joined CRC Insurance. **Lauren C. Giles** (2008) of Athens, GA, associated with Miles & Tallant.



Colby E. Longley (2008) of Savannah, GA, has been admitted to the South Carolina Bar. **Robert H. Snyder Jr.** (2008) of Rome, GA,



celebrated with his wife Melissa the birth of their son Charles Henry Akstin on Jan. 19, 2010. **Matthew M. Weiss** (2008) of Athens, GA, associated with McKenna Long & Aldridge.

John T. DeGenova (2009) of Washington, D.C., associated with Hogan & Hartson. **Scott A. Knittle** (2009) of Arlington, VA, joined The Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars as the D.C. legal program representative.

James W. McPhillips (2009) of Washington, D.C., associated with Pillsbury, Winthrop, Shaw & Pittman. **Ryan A. Moss** (2009) of Atlanta, GA, associated with Betts and Associates. **Shana Webb Pennywell** (2008) of Athens, GA, joined Lisa R. Roberts & Associates. **William D. Rhoads** (2009) of Athens, GA,

celebrated with his wife Sarah the birth of their daughter Elena on Sept. 21, 2009. **Jeremy D. Stallman** (2009) of Atlanta, GA, associated with the law office of W. Calvin Smith II.