

Curriculum Vitae

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Academic Positions

- Interim Director, Prosecutorial Clinic Program, University of Georgia School of Law (2001-2002)
- Director, Prosecutorial Clinic Program, University of Georgia School of Law (2003-present)
- Reappointed to clinical faculty by the Dean upon recommendation of Promotion and Tenure Committee and approval of the faculty (2007)

Law School Courses

- Prosecutorial Clinic I (JURI 5150)(2002-present)
- Prosecutorial Clinic II (JURI 5160)(2001-present)
- Trial Practice (JURI 5040)(2002-present)

Teaching Materials

- Prosecutorial Clinic Course
 - Created a three-semester classroom curriculum consisting of weekly *PowerPoint* slide presentations on topics ranging from “The Law of Arrests” to “Plea-Bargaining” to “Search and Seizure.”
- Trial Practice Course
 - Created a single-semester classroom and courtroom curriculum consisting of weekly *PowerPoint* slide presentations on topics ranging from “Trial Preparation and Strategy” to “Direct and Cross-Examination” to “Closing Arguments” with accompanying exercises for the mock courtroom

Law School Committees

- Student Affairs Committee (2001)
- Placement Committee (2002-present)

Law School Appointments

- Designated as Faculty Advisor to the Honor Court Investigator Committee (2007-present)

Law School Service

- Served as presiding judge for semi-final round of J. Melvin England Mock Trial Competition (2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006)
- Served as presiding judge for semi-final round of Talmadge Moot Court Competition (2002)
- Served as juror (2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2008) and as a presiding judge (2007) for J. Ralph Beard Closing Argument Competition
- Assisted William Daniel National Mock Trial Competition Team (2001, 2002, 2003, 2004)
- Served as coach for the William Daniel National Mock Trial Competition Team and accompanied team to competition in Atlanta, Georgia (2005, 2006, 2007)
 - The 2006 Team competed against 15 other state and national law schools and advanced to the semi-final round
 - The 2007 Team competed against 17 other state and national law schools and finished first winning the national championship
- Assisted ATLA Student Trial Advocacy Mock Trial Competition Team (2002, 2004, 2006)
- Assisted Hulsey-Kimbrell Moot Court Competition Team (2002)
- Assisted National White Collar Crime Mock Trial Invitation Team (2002)
- Assisted National Trial Competition Mock Trial Team (2003, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008)
- Assisted National Moot Court Team (2003)
- Assisted Jerome Prince Memorial Evidence Competition Team (2003)
- Assisted ABA / National Criminal Justice Trial Advocacy Competition Mock Trial Team (2004)
- Assisted ABA / Law Student Division National Appellate Advocacy Competition Team (2005)
- Assisted BLSA Mock Trial Team (2006, 2007)
- Served as panelist for panel discussion sponsored by BLSA on the death penalty and the ABA's recommendation for a moratorium (2006)
- Served as panelist for panel discussion entitled: "Racial Issues in Sentencing Policy: Is it Black and White?" at *Working in the Public Interest (WIPI) Conference* (2006)

Lectures at Professional Conferences

- Presenter, topic: "Successful Prosecution of a Child Sexual Abuse Case – The William Walsh Case" at *Building Successful Teams: Investigation &*

- *Prosecution of Serious Injury and Fatal Child Abuse* convention sponsored by Georgia Dept. of Human Resources, et al, Macon, Georgia (2002)
- Presenter, topic: “Successful Prosecution of a Child Sexual Abuse Case – The Alan Walker Case” at *Building Successful Teams: Investigation & Prosecution of Serious Injury and Fatal Child Abuse* convention sponsored by Georgia Dept. of Human Resources, et al, Macon, Georgia (2003)
- Presenter, topic: “Plea Bargaining: The Unseen Process” at *Building Successful Teams: Investigation & Prosecution of Serious Injury and Fatal Child Abuse* convention sponsored by Georgia Dept. of Human Resources, et al, Macon, Georgia (2004)
- Keynote speaker, topic: “The Juvenile Discovery Dilemma” at the annual meeting of the Child Advocacy Centers of Georgia, Dahlonge, Georgia (2004)
- Presenter, topic: “Legislative & Case Law Update – The Child Endangerment Act of 2004” at *Building Successful Teams: Investigation & Prosecution of Serious Injury and Fatal Child Abuse* convention sponsored by Georgia Dept. of Human Resources, et al, Cobb County, Georgia (2005)
- Presenter, topic: “Reversal of Fortunes: How A Winning Case Was Lost – The Andrea Yates Case” at *Building Successful Teams: Investigation & Prosecution of Serious Injury and Fatal Child Abuse* convention sponsored by Georgia Dept. of Human Resources, et al, Cobb County, Georgia (2006)
- Presenter, topic: “Trial Preparation / Testifying in Court” at *Building Successful Teams – Child Abuse, Injury & Fatality: Investigation, Prosecution & Prevention Conference* sponsored by the Georgia Dept. of Human Resources, et al, Cobb County, Georgia (2008)

Lectures at Training Seminars

- Guest lecturer, topic: “Major Felonies” at Northeast Georgia Police Academy, Athens, Georgia (2001, 2002, 2003, 2004)(1-day seminar)
- Presenter, topic: “Legal Issues in the Prosecution of a Child Sexual Abuse Case in Georgia” at *Advanced Investigative Skills Training* seminar sponsored by Georgia Dept. of Human Resources, Forsyth, Georgia (2003)(1-day seminar)
- Faculty presenter, topic: “Child Hearsay: Getting the Child’s Out-of-Court Statements Admitted in Evidence” at *Finding Words – Georgia*, Forsyth, Georgia (Sept. 2004)
- Faculty presenter, topic: “Child Hearsay: Getting the Child’s Out-of-Court Statements Admitted in Evidence” at *Finding Words – Georgia*, Forsyth, Georgia (Dec. 2004)
- Faculty presenter, topics: “Child Hearsay: Getting the Child’s Out-of-Court Statements Admitted in Evidence” and “Preparing the Child Witness for Court” at *Finding Words – Georgia*, Forsyth, Georgia (April 2005)
- Faculty presenter, topics: “Child Hearsay: Getting the Child’s Out-of-Court Statements Admitted in Evidence” and “Preparing the Child Witness for Court” at *Finding Words – Georgia*, Forsyth, Georgia (June 2005)

- Faculty presenter, topics: “Child Hearsay: Getting the Child’s Out-of-Court Statements Admitted in Evidence,” “Preparing the Child Witness for Court,” and “Defending Your Forensic Interview Against Memory and Suggestibility Attacks” at *Finding Words – Georgia*, Forsyth, Georgia (Sept. 2005)
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- Faculty presenter, topics: “Child Hearsay: Getting the Child’s Out-of-Court Statements Admitted in Evidence” and “Preparing the Child Witness for Court” at *Finding Words – Georgia*, Forsyth, Georgia (May 2006)
- Faculty presenter, topics: “Child Hearsay: Getting the Child’s Out-of-Court Statements Admitted in Evidence,” “Preparing the Child Witness for Court,” and “Defending Your Forensic Interview Against Memory and Suggestibility Attacks” at *Finding Words – Georgia*, Forsyth, Georgia (July 2006)
- Faculty presenter, topics: “Corroborating the Child Victim’s Statement,” “Child Hearsay: Getting the Child’s Out-of-Court Statements Admitted in Evidence,” and “Preparing the Child Witness for Court” at *Finding Words – Georgia*, Forsyth, Georgia (Sept. 2006)
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- Faculty presenter, topics: “Child Hearsay: Getting the Child’s Out-of-Court Statements Admitted in Evidence” and “Preparing the Child Witness for Court” at *Finding Words – Georgia*, Forsyth, Georgia (March 2007)
- Faculty presenter, topics: “Corroborating the Child Victim’s Statement,” “Child Hearsay: Getting the Child’s Out-of-Court Statements Admitted in Evidence,” and “Preparing the Child Witness for Court” at *Finding Words – Georgia*, Forsyth, Georgia (June 2007)
- Faculty presenter, topics: Arrest to Post-Conviction Relief in Child Sexual Abuse Prosecutions at *Advanced Finding Words – Georgia: Your Role in the Judicial Process*, Athens, Georgia (August 2007)
- Faculty presenter, topics: “Child Hearsay: Getting the Child’s Out-of-Court Statements Admitted in Evidence,” “Preparing the Child Witness for Court,” and “Defending Your Forensic Interview Against Memory and Suggestibility Attacks” at *Finding Words – Georgia*, Forsyth, Georgia (Sept. 2007)
- Faculty presenter, topics: “Child Hearsay: Getting the Child’s Out-of-Court Statements Admitted in Evidence,” “Preparing the Child Witness for Court,” and “Defending Your Forensic Interview Against Memory and Suggestibility Attacks” at *Finding Words – Georgia*, Forsyth, Georgia (Dec. 2007)
- Faculty presenter, topics: “Child Hearsay: Getting the Child’s Out-of-Court Statements Admitted in Evidence” and “Preparing the Child Witness for Court” at *Finding Words – Georgia*, Forsyth, Georgia (March 2008)

Articles & Manuals Published

- Authored article entitled: “Plea-Bargaining” in *Children’s Advocacy Centers of Georgia Newsletter*, Volume V (2004)
- Co-authored with five student assistants two chapters entitled: “Criminal Law” and “Evidence” in *Domestic Violence Benchbook, A Guide to Civil and Criminal Proceedings, 2nd Edition, July 2006*
 - Revised these two chapters for *3rd Edition* with assistance of two student assistants (January 2008)

Research Papers

- Authored research paper entitled “Juvenile Deprivation Proceedings: Potential Abuse of Civil Discovery in Juvenile Courts to undermine Pending Criminal Investigations and Prosecutions” and an Executive Legislative Summary for the Child Advocacy Centers of Georgia in 2004 (see **Proposed Legislation** below)

Professional Associations

- Member, State Bar of Georgia (1984-present)
- Member, District Attorneys Association of Georgia (1990-2000)
- Admitted, Bar of the Supreme Court of Georgia (1986)
- Admitted, Bar of the Georgia Court of Appeals (1986)

Professional Experience

- Associate, Nixon, Yow, Waller & Capers, Augusta, Georgia (1984-1985)
- Law clerk, Honorable Thomas W. Ridgway, Chief Judge of Superior Courts, Monroe, Georgia (1985-1987)
- Associate, Law Offices of Samuel D. Ozburn, Covington, Georgia (1987)
- Asst. District Attorney, Walton County District Attorneys Office, Monroe, Georgia (1987-1990)
- District Attorney, Alcovy Judicial Circuit (1990-2000)
 - Elected to fill unexpired term (1990)
 - Re-elected (1992)
 - Re-elected (1996)
- Asst. District Attorney, Newton County District Attorneys Office (2001)

Jury Trial Experience

- Total cases tried – 122
- Murder / Manslaughter cases - 19 (including 6 Death Penalty cases)
- Child Molestation / Statutory Rape cases - 36
- Other cases - 77 (including 6 Armed Robbery cases)

Appellate Experience

- Georgia Supreme Court
 - Appellate briefs submitted – 15
 - Cases orally argued – 4
 - Williams v. State, 258 Ga. 80 (1988)
 - Terrell v. State, 271 Ga. 783 (1999)
 - Roseberry v. State, 274 Ga. 301 (2001)
 - Terrell v. State, 276 Ga. 34 (2002)
- Georgia Court of Appeals
 - Appellate briefs submitted – 26
 - Cases orally argued – 3
 - Sims v. State, 260 Ga. 782 (1991)
 - State v. Peters, 213 Ga.App. 352 (1994)
 - Hillman v. State, 232 Ga.App. 741 (1998)

Reported Appellate Cases

- Phelps v. State, 278 Ga. 402 (2004)(murder).
- Sparks v. State, 277 Ga. 72 (2003)(murder).
- Simmons v. State, 262 Ga.App. 164 (2003)(aggravated assault).
- Manuel v. State, 276 Ga. 676 (2003)(murder).
- Terrell v. State, 276 Ga. 34 (2002)(murder, death penalty).
- Horner v. State, 257 Ga.App. 12 (2002)(motor vehicle theft).
- Bridges v. State, 256 Ga.App. 355 (2002)(escape).
- Wormley v. State, 255 Ga.App. 347 (2002)(child molestation).
- Durden v. State, 274 Ga. 868 (2002)(murder).
- Roseberry v. State, 274 Ga. 301 (2001)(murder).
- Brown v. State, 274 Ga. 202 (2001)(murder).
- Palmer v. State, 248 Ga.App. 515 (2001)(child molestation).
- Croy v. State, 247 Ga.App. 654 (2001)(child molestation).
- Anderson v. State, 244 Ga.App. 643(2000)(armed robbery).
- Davis v. State, 244 Ga.App. 345 (2000)(armed robbery).
- Moody v. State, 244 Ga.App. 214 (2000)(armed robbery).
- Bracewell v. State, 243 Ga.App. 792 (2000)(manslaughter).
- Terrell v. State, 271 Ga. 783 (1999)(murder, death penalty).
- Ramey v. State, 235 Ga.App. 690 (1998)(kidnapping).
- Hillman v. State, 232 Ga.App. 741 (1998)(feticide).
- Clay v. State, 232 Ga.App. 656 (1998)(armed robbery).
- Mathis v. State, 224 Ga.App. 521 (1997)(armed robbery).
- McGarity v. State, 224 Ga.App. 302 (1997)(child molestation).
- Campbell v. State, 221 Ga.App. 135 (1996)(child molestation).
- Smith v. State, 266 Ga. 208 (1996)(murder).
- Tinker v. State, 218 Ga.App. 792 (1995)(RICO).
- Grier v. State, 217 Ga.App. 409 (1995)(drug possession).

- McKnight v. State, 215 Ga.App. 899 (1994)(drug sale).
- Cost v. State, 264 Ga. 504 (1994)(murder).
- State v. Peters, 213 Ga.App. 352 (1994)(murder).
- Anderson v. State, 212 Ga.App. 329 (1994)(probation revocation).
- State v. Crank, 212 Ga.App. 246 (1994)(drug possession).
- Martin v. State, 211 Ga.App. 849 (1994)(drug possession).
- Cost v. State, 263 Ga. 720 (1994)(murder).
- Norton v. State, 263 Ga. 448 (1993)(murder).
- Johnson v. State, 262 Ga. 716 (1993)(murder).
- Martin v. State, 262 Ga. 312 (1992)(murder).
- Jacobson v. State, 201 Ga.App. 749 (1991)(kidnapping).
- Ross v. State, 199 Ga.App. 767 (1991)(burglary).
- Sims v. State, 260 Ga. 782 (1991)(child molestation).
- Huggins v. State, 192 Ga.App. 820 (1989)(child molestation).

Professional Appointments

- Appointed to the faculty of *Finding Words – Georgia*, sponsored by the American Prosecutors Research Institute (APRI) and the National District Attorneys Association, a nationally recognized forensic interviewing course for professionals who participate in the investigation and prosecution of child sexual abuse cases (2004)

Professional Awards

- *Advocate of the Year Award 2006* from the Domestic Violence Task Force of Athens-Clarke and Oconee Counties.

Training Seminars Created

- *Advanced Finding Words – Georgia: Your Role in the Judicial Process*, a 2½ day course taught by prosecutors, forensic interviewers, licensed professional counselors, licensed child psychologists, and judges and combining classroom lectures with courtroom exercises designed to train teams of interdisciplinary child abuse professionals how to investigate and successfully prosecute child sexual abuse cases (August 2007)

Training Seminars Attended

- *Finding Words – Georgia*, Georgia Public Safety Training Center, Forsyth, Georgia (2004)(5-day forensic child abuse interviewing course)
- *Finding Words – Illinois*, Springfield, Illinois (2004)(audited 5-day Illinois course)
- *Beyond Finding Words*, Indianapolis, Indiana (2006)(3 1/2 –day advanced course)

Proposed Legislation

- Homicide by Aircraft
 - Proposed legislation to criminalize act of flying under the influence of alcohol resulting in the death of a human being (passed, codified O.C.G.A. §6-2-5.2)
- Reciprocal Discovery
 - Proposed an amendment to Georgia's reciprocal discovery statute to provide that a person who uses juvenile discovery in a deprivation case will be deemed to have "opted in" under the criminal reciprocal discovery statute with respect to any related criminal charges (passed, codified O.C.G.A. §17-16-2(c), also led to amendment to Uniform Rules of Juvenile Courts, Rule 7.2.(5.) (c)(2.)) (see **Research Papers** above)

Educational Background

- University of Georgia School of Law, Athens, Georgia, J.D., 1984 (*cum laude*)
 - Prosecutorial Clinic Program
- University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia, B.A. (Political Science), 1981 (*summa cum laude*)
 - Phi Beta Kappa
- Oxford College of Emory University, Oxford, Georgia, A.A., 1979
 - 4.0 Academic GPA
 - Social Science Division Award
- Rockdale County High School, Conyers, Georgia, 1977
 - Valedictorian

Personal

- Married since 1983 to Dr. Debra Parker Cook (B.S., University of Georgia, 1981; D.M.D., Medical College of Georgia, 1985)
- One child, Philip, born in 1987, a junior at Clemson University majoring in Industrial Engineering