

NEW FACULTY

Introducing the law school's new professors

Christopher M. Bruner will join the School of Law faculty as a full professor in the fall of 2017. He will teach a range of corporate and transactional subjects,



including Corporations, Corporate Finance, Deals and Comparative Corporate Law.

His scholarship focuses on corporate, securities and financial law, including international and comparative dimensions of these fields. His book *Corporate Governance in the Common-Law World: The Political Foundations of Shareholder Power* has been referred to as “a revelation” and “a work of monumental significance and scholarly craft” and has been translated into Chinese. His comparative study of U.S. and U.K. corporate governance titled “Power and Purpose in the ‘Anglo-American’ Corporation” received the 2010 Association of American Law Schools Scholarly Papers Prize. His articles have appeared in a number of highly regarded law and policy journals, and he currently serves as co-editor of the Hart Publishing book series *Contemporary Studies in Corporate Law*.

Bruner comes to UGA from Washington and Lee University, where he was the Bain Family Professor of Corporate Law and served as director of the Frances Lewis Law Center – W&L Law’s faculty research and support arm – and twice received the Ethan Allen Faculty Fellowship for scholarly excellence. He also taught at the law schools of Texas Tech and Boston universities. He earned his A.B., M.Phil. and J.D. from the University of Michigan, the University of Oxford and Harvard Law School, respectively.

Joining the law school’s faculty in the fall of 2017 is **Sandra G. “Sandy” Mayson**.

Her teaching portfolio will include the areas of criminal law, evidence and



criminal justice reform. Mayson comes to UGA from the University of Pennsylvania Law School, where she served as a Research Fellow for the Quattrone Center for the Fair Administration of Justice. She previously served as a Furman Academic Fellow at the New York University School of Law.

Specializing in the intersections between criminal law, constitutional law and legal theory, with a focus on the role of risk assessment and preventive restraint in the criminal justice system, her scholarship has appeared, or is forthcoming, in the *Yale Law Journal*, the *Stanford Law Review* and the *Notre Dame Law Review*, among other places.

Before entering academia, Mayson represented indigent clients in criminal proceedings and trained public defenders on the immigration consequences of criminal conviction. Following law school, she was a trial attorney and an Equal Justice Works Fellow at Orleans Public Defenders in New Orleans, a legal fellow at the American Civil Liberties Union of Pennsylvania, and a judicial clerk for U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit Judge Dolores K. Sloviter and U.S. District Court Judge L. Felipe Restrepo in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

Mayson earned her B.A. from Yale University and her law degree from New York University, where she was an articles editor of the *New York University Law Review* and a member of the Order of the Coif.

Elizabeth M. Grant (J.D.’94) became the law school’s Public Interest Practicum director during the 2016–17 academic year, and she also teaches Legal Writing.

Before joining the law school’s faculty, she had a solo law practice specializing in criminal defense and juvenile law in the Athens area. Previously, she was a public defender in the Western Judicial

Circuit where she did both trial and appellate work. She also held both chief assistant and assistant solicitor-general positions in Athens-Clarke County. Grant has worked at Georgia Law in various capacities over the years. Most recently, she was the interim director of the Family Violence Clinic in 2015, and she taught the summer Civil Externship course. She also served as an adjunct mock trial coach.

Grant earned her J.D. from UGA, where she was a member of the moot court team and the *Georgia Journal of International and Comparative Law*.

Rob McNiff (J.D.’02) became an instructor at Georgia Law earlier this year, and he assists with the school’s advocacy program and Mediation Clinic as well as teaches in the area of negotiation.

Before entering academia, McNiff operated his own law firm for 12 years where he was a general practitioner handling a variety of transaction and litigation matters. He also owned and operated Resolve Mediation Solutions, which assisted individuals and groups seeking to avoid litigation. He has successfully mediated hundreds of cases. Previously, he was a public defender in the Western Judicial and Northern Judicial circuits of Georgia.

He earned his Juris Doctor *cum laude* from UGA, where he was named to the Order of the Barristers and was selected the Best Oralist at the international finals of the Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition.

Endia Sowers Paige joined the staff of the Alexander Campbell King Law Library as an outreach and research services librarian. In this role, she develops and coordinates the library’s outreach and marketing services. Additionally, she instructs first-year law students on legal research.

Prior to UGA, Paige provided legal reference services at the law libraries of George Mason University, Howard University and North Carolina Central University. She also previously served as a legal reference librarian at the Law Library of Congress. Paige is a member of the American Association of Law Libraries and serves on the Diversity and Inclusion Committee for the Southeastern Chapter of the American Association of Law Libraries.

Paige earned her Master of Library Science and Juris Doctor from North Carolina Central University.