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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS DALLAS COLLEGE OF LAW

Associate Professor of Law (with tenure): 2020-present; Assistant Professor of Law: 2014-2020
2015-present: Civil Procedure I & II, Evidence, Evidence Practicum, and Advanced Topics in Litigation
2014-15: Civil Procedure I & II and Legal Research & Writing

TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW

Visiting Assistant Professor of Law
2013-14: Legal Practice I & II, and Expert Witness Seminar
2013: E-discovery Guest Lecturer (summer)

EDUCATION

HARVARD LAW SCHOOL, LL.M., May 2013

GPA: 3.8571; LL.M. Thesis: *Improving Parity in Personal Jurisdiction and Judgment Enforcement in International Cases: A Domestic Proposal to Help Revive the Hague Judgments Convention*, received “Honors” Marks, available at: http://works.bepress.com/eric_porterfield/2).

BAYLOR UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, J.D., *summa cum laude*, Valedictorian, May 2004

GPA: 4.32 (top 0.003% of all graduating classes’ GPAs from 2002-2006)

Law Review:

- Managing Editor of “Texas Practice,” Spring 2004 – inaugural issue specializing in Texas evidence and procedure
- Senior Executive Editor, 2002-2003 – in charge of publication decisions

Advocacy Teams:

- 2004 ATLA Mock Trial Tournament: Regional Champion and National Semi-Finalist
- 2003 National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers Tournament: Tournament Champion and Best Oral Advocate Overall
- 2002 New York Bar Association Moot Court: Brief Writer and Advocate, Third Best Brief

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN, B.A., with highest honors, May 2001

GPA: 3.9651; Double Major, Government & German; Phi Beta Kappa; Golden Key Honor Society

WORKS IN PROGRESS

Eric Porterfield, *Mallory v. Norfolk S. Ry. Co.*: Can Sates Require Foreign Entities to Consent to Personal Jurisdiction As a Condition of Doing Domestic Business? Forthcoming 2025.

PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

Eric Porterfield, *Fording the Stream of Commerce: What Relatedness Tells Us About Stream of Commerce Cases*, 55 ST. MARY’S L.J. 107 (2024).

Available at: <https://commons.stmarytx.edu/thestmaryslawjournal/vol55/iss1/3>

Eric Porterfield, *Witness Impeachment in Texas & Federal Criminal Cases*, Texas Criminal Defense Lawyers Association, February 2023, available at: https://issuu.com/tcdla/docs/p021723_ebook.

Eric Porterfield, *LAW SCHOOL ESSAY EXAMS: MASTERING ISSUE SPOTTING HYPOTHETICALS* (Kindle Direct Publishing), July 2022.

Eric Porterfield & Robert Ford, *New Frontiers in Personal Jurisdiction: What Practitioners Need to Know*, State Bar of Texas CLE Presentation March 2021, *available at*: <https://www.texasbarcle.com/CLE/AABuy0.asp?sProductType=EV&IID=19479>.

Ellen Pryor, Melissa Shultz, & Eric Porterfield, “Teaching Today’s Law Students,” Institute for Law Teaching and Learning Conference, June 2019, Washburn School of Law.

Jeremy Counsellor & Eric Porterfield, *CIVIL PROCEDURE IN FOCUS* (Aspen 1st ed. 2018) (now on 3d ed. 2024).

Eric Porterfield, *A Brave New (Shrinking) World of Personal Jurisdiction*, Continuing Legal Education Presentation to Carrington Coleman (November 2017).

Eric Porterfield, *et al.*, *The Road to Driverless Cars*, Continuing Legal Education Presentation to the Higginbotham Inn of Court and the Center for American and International Law (October 2017).

Melissa Shultz & Eric Porterfield, *Top 10 Tips for Better Business Writing*, CBRE Global PMO University Corporate Communications Knowledge Exchange (2016).

Eric Porterfield, *A Domestic Proposal to Revive the Hague Judgments Convention: How to Stop Worrying about Streams, Trickles, Asymmetry, and a Lack of Reciprocity*, 25 DUKE J. OF COMP. & INT’L LAW 81 (2015), *available at*: <http://scholarship.law.duke.edu/djcil/vol25/iss1/3>.

Eric Porterfield, *Medium Claims Court: Strategies and Tactics to Win with the Texas Expedited Action Rules*, The University of Texas School of Law 39th Annual Page Keeton Civil Litigation Conference (2015), *available at*: <https://utcle.org/ecourses/OC5930>.

Eric Porterfield, *et al.*, *Disruptalicious Legal Instruction: A Year of Learning Outcomes and Multiple Assessments*, The Center for Computer-Assisted Legal Instruction, University of Denver Sturm College of Law, 25th Annual Conference for Law School Computing (2015), *available at*: <http://conference.cali.org/2015/sessions/disruptalicious-legal-instruction-year-learning-outcomes-and-multiple-assessments>.

Eric Porterfield, *et al.*, *A New Law School in Texas to Address Unmet Legal Needs*, in *BEYOND ELITE LAW: ACCESS TO CIVIL JUSTICE IN AMERICA*, CHAPTER 49 (Samuel Estreicher & Joy Radice eds. Cambridge University Press, 2015), *available at*: <https://www.cambridge.org/core/books/beyond-elite-law/7676BDB72B2081CDCA19819BB75ACCB>.

Eric Porterfield, *Too Much Process, Not Enough Service: International Service of Process Under the Hague Service Convention*, 86 TEMPLE L. REV. 331 (2014), *available at*: <http://www.templelawreview.org/article/too-much-process-not-enough-service-international-service-of-process-under-the-hague-service-convention/> (cited by successful petitioner’s brief in *Water Splash, Inc. v. Menon*, 137 S. Ct. 1504 (2017)).

Eric Porterfield, *FMVSS Preemption*, AIEG Auto Focus (2010) (predicting favorable preemption ruling in *Williamson v. Mazda Motor of Am., Inc.*, 562 U.S. 323 (2011)).

Eric Porterfield, *et al.*, *American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009: A Perspective for the Health Care Industry* (Mar. 2009), available at: <http://www.ccsb.com/pdf/Publications>.

Larry T. Bates & Eric Porterfield, *et al.*, *What the Law Giveth, the Law Taketh Away: Securities Litigation and the Jury of the 21st Century*, VOIR DIRE, (ABOTA Special Summer Issue 2004).

Comment, *Eleventh Amendment Immunity after Lapidus v. Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia: Keeping States out of Federal Court*, 55 BAYLOR L. REV. 1243 (2003).

INSTITUTIONAL SERVICE

2023-24: (1) Curriculum and Instruction Committee; (2) UNT Dallas Tenure and Promotion Committee; (3) By-Laws Committee (chair); (4) Assessment Task Force (chair); (5) Student Award Committee.

2022-23: (1) Curriculum and Instruction Committee (chair); (2) Retention, Tenure, and Promotion Committee; (3) UNT Dallas Main Campus Tenure and Promotion Committee; (4) Ad Hoc UNT Dallas Committee on Standards for Full Professorship; (5) Law Review.

2021-22: (1) Curriculum, & Instruction Committee (chair); (2) Retention, Tenure, and Promotion Committee; (3) UNT Dallas Main Campus Tenure and Promotion Committee; (4) Ad Hoc UNT Dallas Committee on Standards for Full Professorship; (5) Law Review.

2020-21: (1) Scholarship Committee (chair); (2) Appointments Committee; (3) Ad Hoc Committee on Attrition; (4) Law Review Committee.

2019-20: (1) Academic Standards Committee (chair); (2) Admissions Committee; (3) Law Review Governance; and (4) Scholarships.

2018-19: (1) Academic Standards Committee (chair); (2) Admissions Committee; (3) Curriculum & Instruction Committee; (4) Law Review Governance; and (5) Scholarships.

2017-18: (1) Academic Standards Committee (chair); (2) Admissions Committee; (3) Curriculum & Instruction Committee; (4) Law Review Governance; and (5) Scholarships.

2016-17: (1) Academic Standards Committee (chair); (2) Admissions Committee (beginning in late 2016); (3) Appointments (Faculty); (4) Appointments (Adjunct); (5) Informational Technology; and (6) Scholarships.

2015-16: (1) Appointments Committee – both tenure-track and adjunct hiring; (2) IT Committee; (3) Scholarship Committee; (4) UNT Dallas Faculty Alliance Committee; (5) ABA Self-Study Drafting.

MEDIA

Quoted in Dallas Morning News Editorial Page, *Judge bungled ruling in Sidney Powell disciplinary case; Sloppy clerical errors by the state bar shouldn't have sunk the case*. Published March 3, 2023.

BAR ADMISSIONS & PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

State Bar of Texas, licensed since 2004.

I am also admitted to practice before the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals as well as all four federal district courts in Texas.

Barrister, Higginbotham Inn of Court, Center of International and American Law, September 2017-September 2020. Three year term mentoring Associate and Pupil (law student) members through frequent networking events and CLE presentations.

Dallas Bar Association.

I am also a member of the American Bar Association.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

THE BROWN LAW FIRM – Dallas, Texas

Attorney: August 2009 – August 2012

The Brown Law Firm represents catastrophically injured consumers, primarily in complex automotive product liability cases. I tried product liability cases against car manufacturers and automotive component suppliers from all over the world and have handled all aspects of litigation from pretrial through trial and appeal, including briefing at every stage.

CARRINGTON, COLEMAN, SLOMAN, & BLUMENTHAL – Dallas, Texas

Associate: September 2005 – August 2009 & *Summer Associate:* Summer 2003

Carrington Coleman is highly regarded for professional liability and officers' and directors' defense, having defended virtually all the major law firms in the region and high-profile corporate officers, including Kenneth Lay in the Enron litigation. My diverse practice included representing medical and legal professionals in malpractice and administrative licensure actions, professionals in trade secret and non-compete litigation, health care institutions in a variety of matters, and corporations in multi-national disputes.

THE HONORABLE DAVID C. GODBEY, U.S. District Judge, N.D. Texas, Dallas Division

Law Clerk: September 2004 – September 2005

HUGHES & LUCE, LLP (n/k/a K&L GATES, LLP) – Dallas, Texas

Summer Associate: Summer 2003 (offered Associate position)

HUNTON & WILLIAMS, LLP – Dallas, Texas

Summer Associate: Summer 2002 & Summer 2003 (offered Associate position)

ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS, JOHN CORNYN – Austin, Texas

Summer Law Clerk: Summer 2002 (offered Summer 2003 position)

ACADEMIC REFERENCES

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