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Dean Emanuel is Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Professor of Law at the Georgia State University College of Law. Prior to joining the GSU Law faculty, Dean Emanuel served as a law assistant to Chief Justice Harold N. Hill of the Georgia Supreme Court, and was the Court's liaison to Trial Court Judges with respect to Uniform Rules. She also practiced law with the firm of Huie, Brown, and Ide, and clerked for Judge Elbert P. Tuttle of the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit. Dean Emanuel currently serves on the Board of Directors of the Georgia Center for Law in the Public Interest, and previously served on the Board of Directors of the Atlanta Bar Association, and on the Formal Advisory Opinion Board of the State Bar of Georgia. She received the Governor's Award for Outstanding Service in State Government in 1985. Dean Emanuel received her B.A. from Old Dominion University, and her J.D. with distinction from Emory University, where she was Editor in Chief of the Emory Law Journal and was elected to the Order of the Coif.

Justice Harold G. Clarke

Justice Clarke is a former justice of the Georgia Supreme Court, and is currently Of Counsel to Troutman Sanders LLP in Atlanta, Georgia. Justice Clarke was appointed to the Georgia Supreme Court by Governor George Busbee in December 1979. He was elected Chief Justice in 1990 and served on the court until his retirement in February 1994. Prior to his judicial appointment, Justice Clarke was a member of the Georgia General Assembly from 1961 to 1971. While in the General Assembly, Justice Clarke served as chairperson of the Local Affairs Committee, the Industry Committee, the Journals Committee, and the Constitutional Commissions Committee. Justice Clarke is a member of numerous professional organizations, including the Georgia State Bar, of which he served as President from 1976 to 1977. Justice Clarke is a graduate of the University of Georgia School of Law.

Harry D. Dixon, Jr.

Mr. Dixon is a solo practitioner in Savannah, where he specializes in criminal and civil litigation in both state and federal courts. In 1993, Mr. Dixon was appointed United States Attorney for the Southern District of Georgia by President Bill Clinton. While U.S. Attorney, Mr. Dixon served on the United States Attorney General's Advisory Committee. Prior to his appointment as U.S. Attorney, Mr. Dixon served as Assistant District Attorney for the Waycross Judicial Circuit and was elected District Attorney in 1982. Mr. Dixon was also in private practice at the law firm of Bennett, Pedrick & Bennett in Waycross, Georgia. Mr. Dixon is a member of the National Association of Former United States Attorneys, the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, and the Savannah Bar Association. Mr. Dixon is a graduate of Valdosta State College and of the University of Georgia School of Law.

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Professor Floyd is a Visiting Professor at Georgia State University College of Law and Director of the Law Student Clinic at the Georgia Capital Defender. He was previously the J. Hadley Edgar Professor of Law at Texas Tech University, where his scholarship and teaching focused on legal ethics and moral theology to the practice of law, legal clinical training, and lawyer disciplinary procedures. Also at Texas Tech, Professor Floyd was faculty advisor to the Board of Barristers, and served as faculty editor of the Faith and the Law Symposium Issue of the Texas Tech Law Review. Professor Floyd is an expert in capital litigation, having served as defense counsel to several cases under the Federal Death Penalty Act of 1994. Professor Floyd also has served as Legal Counsel to the Lieutenant Governor of Georgia, and practiced law at the law firm of Sutherland, Asbill & Brennan. Floyd received both a B.A. and an M.A. from Emory University and his J.D. from the University of Georgia School of Law.

Senator Vincent D. Fort

Senator Fort is currently serving his fourth term as State Senator from the 39th District of Georgia--Fulton County. Senator Fort is the Chairman of the Fulton County Senate Delegation, which coordinates the legislative priorities and proposals of Fulton County and the City of Atlanta. Senator Fort is also a member of several committees within the Senate, including Children and Youth, Special Judiciary, State Institutions and Property, and the Retirement Committee, of which he is Secretary. In addition to serving in the Senate, Senator Fort is a professor of history and political science at Morris Brown College in Atlanta. As an educator, Senator Fort has a special interest in improving the quality of public education. He is currently the chairman of the Georgia Legislative Black Caucus Committee on Education, and was previously chair of the Senate Study Committee on Public Education Disciplinary Reform. Senator Fort received his B.A. from Central Connecticut State College, and his M.A. from Atlanta University.

William R. Ide, III

Mr. Ide is a Partner at McKenna Long & Aldridge LLP in Atlanta, Georgia, where he specializes in corporate finance, securities, and corporate governance and compliance. Mr. Ide is also currently a Senior Fellow of Emory's Conference Board and Director's Institute, as well as a member of the Board of Directors of AFC Enterprises, Inc. Prior to joining McKenna Long, Mr. Ide served as Senior Vice President, General Counsel, and Secretary of Monsanto Corporation. Prior to his service at Monsanto, Mr. Ide was a senior partner at McKenna, Long's predecessor, Long, Alderidge & Norman LLP. Active in his professional community, Mr. Ide was President of the American Bar Association from 1993 to 1994, and was a member of the founding executive committee and board of director's of the Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games. Mr. Ide also clerked for the Honorable Griffin Bell of the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit. Mr. Ide received his B.A. from Washington and Lee University, his M.B.A. from Georgia State University, and his J.D. from the University of Virginia.

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Professor Jack L. Sammons

Professor Sammons, a graduate of Duke, University of Georgia, and Antioch, is the Griffin B. Bell Professor of Law at Mercer University School of Law where he has taught for over twenty-five years. A founding member of the Chief Justice's Commission on Professionalism, the former Vice-Chair of the Formal Advisory Opinion Board of the State Bar of Georgia, Professor Sammons currently teaches in the areas of Trial Evidence, First Amendment, Law and Religion, and Legal Ethics and serve as a consultant on matters involving the legal ethics and legal education to numerous national, state, and local legal organizations. He is the author of over forty books, articles, chapters, and videos on issues involving the legal profession some of which are widely used as student texts for courses in legal ethics, business ethics, law and religion, and theology. A frequent continuing legal education lecturer, Professor Sammons has also presented recent academic papers at Oxford, University of Arkansas, Notre Dame, and Stetson University. His most recent works are "Cheater!: The Central Moral Admonition of Legal Ethics" and "A Rhetorician's View of Religious Arguments in Political Conversation."

Professor David E. Shipley

Professor Shipley is the Thomas R.R. Cobb Professor of Law at the University of Georgia College of Law, where his teaching and scholarship focus on copyright law and intellectual property, administrative law, and civil procedure and remedies. He joined the University of Georgia College of Law in 1998 as dean and professor of law. In 2003, he returned to full-time teaching and was appointed Thomas R.R. Cobb Professor of Law. Professor Shipley has a long career in law school administration and academia, prior to joining the University of Georgia, he was dean and professor at the University of Kentucky College of Law from 1993-1998; dean, director of the Law Center, and professor at the University of Mississippi School of Law from 1990-1993; and associate dean and professor at the University of South Carolina School of Law from 1989-1990. Prior to entering academia, Professor Shipley practiced with the law firm of Tillinghast, Collins & Graham in Providence, Rhode Island. He is also an active member of the American Bar Association and the Association of American Law Schools. Professor Shipley received his B.A. from Oberlin College and his J.D. from the University of Chicago.

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Mr. Stewart is a Partner at the Gainesville law firm of Stewart, Melvin & Frost LLP. Mr. Stewart has a broad litigation practice, including commercial contract disputes, high asset will contests, banking and financial controversies, as well as both plaintiff and defense side personal injury cases. Mr. Stewart is an active member of the Georgia State Bar, serving as President, President-Elect, and Treasurer, and has been a member of the State Bar Board of Governors since 1972. He was the recipient of the State Bar of Georgia's Distinguished Service Award in 1992. He is currently serving a three-year term as the sixth district member of the Board of Governors of the American Bar Association. Mr. Stewart is also active in his community, having served as President of the Community Concert Association and as an active participant in many local theatre and musical productions. Mr. Stewart received both his undergraduate and law degrees from Emory University.