# JEAN FLEMING POWERS PROFESSOR OF LAW SOUTH TEXAS COLLEGE OF LAW

## **Educational Background**

- Doctor of Jurisprudence, with high honors, The University of Houston Law Center, May 1978.

  Member of Houston Law Review, Phi Delta Phi, American Jurisprudence Award for Constitutional Law I.
- B.A. with honors, The University of Texas at Austin, August 1970.
  English major; secondary teaching certificate; second teaching field in mathematics.
  Alpha Lambda Delta, participated in English Honors Program, National Merit Scholarship.

## **Academic Employment**

Professor of Law, South Texas College of Law, 1992 to present, teaching Contracts, Professional Responsibility, and Remedies.

Taught Commercial Law Course in London in the summers of 2002 and 2004. Director of Continuing Legal Education, 2001 to 2003.

Associate Professor of Law, South Texas College of Law, 1990 to 1992.

Assistant Professor of Law, South Texas College of Law, 1988 to 1990, Academic Advisor, May 1988 - August 1989.

Visiting Assistant Professor of Law, South Texas College of Law 1985 - 1988.

Adjunct Professor of Law, The University of Houston Law Center, July 1981 - May 1984.

## **Publications:**

*Promissory Estoppel and Wagging the Dog*, 59 ARK. L. REV. 841 (2007).

Rethinking Moral Obligation as a Basis for Contract Recovery, 54 Me. L. Rev. 1 (2002).

Going Too Far to Achieve Harmony, 41 S. Tex. L. Rev. 203 (1999).

What the Market Will Bear–Questions About Limits on Attorneys' Fees, 36 Hous. LAW., Nov.-Dec. 1998, at 23.

Ethical Implications of Attorneys Requiring Clients to Submit Malpractice Claims to ADR, 38 S. Tex. L. Rev. 625 (1997).

Recent Developments in Direct Mail Solicitation, 18 Dallas B. Ass'n Headnotes, Feb. 15, 1994, at

4.

- A Matter of Trust: Lawyer Trust Accounts in Texas, 56 Tex. B.J. 466 (1993).
- Expanded Liability and the Intent Requirement in Third Party Beneficiary Contracts, 1993 UTAH L. Rev. 67.
- Lawyer Advertising in Texas and the Supreme Court Cases, 17 Dallas B. Ass'n Headnotes, Feb. 15, 1993, at 1.
- Hate Crimes on the Rise, Newsl. (Law Focused Education, A Publication of the State Bar of Texas, Austin, Tex.), Apr. 1992, at 1.
- Testamentary Designations of Attorneys and Other Employees, 20 GOLDEN GATE U. L. REV. 261 (1990).
- Lawyer Advertising--Past, Present, and Future, 53 TEX. B.J. 1005 (1990).

#### **Presentations:**

- Ethics Fast Track: Texas Rules and Case Law for the Transactional Attorney (Houston: South Texas College of Law CLE, June 5, 2008 (Written materials included).
- Litigation Ethics Jeopardy (Washington, D.C.: Presentation at the Annual Convention of the Academy of Rail Labor Attorneys, April 25, 2008) (Paper included).
- Ethics and Multi-Jurisdictional Representation (Houston: South Texas College of Law CLE, June 8, 2007) (Outline included).
- Ethics Survivor (Houston: South Texas College of Law CLE, June 9, 2006) (Included outline entitled Ethics Survivor: Ethics Questions Based on Recent Texas Cases and Recent Developments in Texas Law).
- Presentation and Panel Member at Joint Faculty Meeting of the faculties of South Texas College of Law, the University of Houston Law Center, and Thurgood Marshall School of Law dealing with Judicial Selection, September 2002.
- Ethics for Employment Lawyers From Outside Counsel's Perspective, Employment Law: Walking the Walk and Talking the Talk (Houston: South Texas College of Law CLE, July 9, 1998)(with Richard R. Carlson).
- Presentation to the Dallas Chapter of The Federal Bar Association on Lawyer Advertising in Texas, May 1993.
- Presentation to the Houston Legal Assistants Association on The Unauthorized Practice of Law, January 1990.

# **Other Professional Employment:**

- Staff Attorney, the Legal Foundation of America, July 1984 May 1987.
- Associate Attorney (part-time), Walker & Drexler, P.C., October 1978 May 1982. Emphasis on bankruptcy, corporate and business, wills and estates, general civil practice.
- Junior High English and Math Teacher, Del Valle Independent School District, Del Valle, Texas, August 1970 June 1971.

# **Professional Memberships and Activities:**

- Member of State Bar of Texas, United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas, Fifth Circuit of Appeals, and the Supreme Court of the United States.
- Member of Board of Directors of Houston Lawyer Referral Service 1999 to 2003; at various times served as Vice President, Secretary, and member and/or chair of various subcommittees.
- Past member of Houston Bar Association Professionalism Committee; Professionalism Day Subcommittee.
- Member of Texas Center for Legal Ethics and Professionalism Guide to The Basics of Law Practice Planning Committee 1996-2001.
- Editorial Board of "Quarterly", the magazine of South Texas College of Law, 1995-96.
- Member of State Bar of Texas Law Focused Education Committee, 1987-95.

  Chair of Newsletter Sub-committee 1991, Street Law Sub-committee 1994-95, prepared section for street law text.
- State Bar of Texas Lawyer Advertising Committee, 1987 to 1992; Vice-Chair 1987-88, Chair 1988-89, Vice-Chair 1989-90, Opinions Sub-committee 1989-90, Public Opinion Sub-committee 1990-91.

# **Volunteer activities in school and community**:

Served in several volunteer capacities including president and other officer and volunteer positions at Bunker Hill Elementary School, Cub Scout leader, volunteer at Frostwood Elementary School, Memorial Middle School, and Memorial High School, including volunteer work for Memorial High School Orchestra, parent coordinator for Symphony orchestra, Houston Youth Symphony, fund-raising for various organizations, and other volunteer work.