

OMARI SCOTT SIMMONS

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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE, PEMBROKE COLLEGE, *United Kingdom*

Thouron Fellow

LLM, International Commercial Law, June 2001.

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA SCHOOL OF LAW, *Philadelphia, PA*

J.D., May 1999. Cross-registered at the Wharton School of Business, Graduate School of Arts & Sciences, and FELS School of Government.

Honors: Thouron Award 2000, Fontaine Fellowship 1996-1999.

Activities: *University of Pennsylvania Journal of Constitutional Law.*

WAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY, *Winston-Salem, NC*

B.A. in Economics and History, *magna cum laude*, May 1996 (double major completed in 3.5 years).

Honors: Dean's List (1992-1995), Phi Alpha Theta (History Honor Society), Omicron Delta Epsilon (Economics Honor Society), President's Aide Scholarship.

Activities: President's Aide, Judicial Board.

LAW TEACHING EXPERIENCE

WAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, *Winston-Salem, NC*

8/2006-Present

Assistant Professor of Law

Courses: Contracts I; Contracts II; Sales; and Corporations: Advanced Topics Seminar.

OTHER LEGAL EXPERIENCE

LENOVO, *Washington, DC*

6/2005-5/2006

Senior Counsel

INVISTA, *Wilmington, DE*

8/2003-6/2005

Senior Counsel

WILMER, CUTLER & PICKERING, *Washington, DC*

9/2001-7/2003

Associate

CLERKSHIP EXPERIENCE

THE HONORABLE CHIEF JUSTICE E. NORMAN VEASEY SUPREME COURT OF DELAWARE, *Wilmington, DE*

9/1999-8/2000

Law Clerk

COMMUNITY EXPERIENCE

THE SIMMONS MEMORIAL FOUNDATION, INC., *Winston-Salem, NC*

1996-Present

President/Founder

A nonprofit organization providing college consulting for vulnerable youth. Recipient of the MBNA Foundation's "Best Practices in Education Award."

ACTIVITIES AND MEMBERSHIPS

Wake Forest University Public Engagement Advisory Board

Children's Theatre of Winston-Salem, Board Member

AALS Section on Business Associations

AALS Section on New Law Professors

American Bar Association

Maryland State Bar Association

District of Columbia Bar Association

HONORS

Dr. Sadie T.M. Alexander Distinguished Graduate Award 2004, Univ. of Pennsylvania Law School Black Law Students Association.

MBNA Foundation's "Best Practices in Education Award" 2002, an annual award given to the MBNA Foundation's top grantees.

PUBLICATIONS

Branding the Small Wonder: Delaware's Dominance and the Market for Corporate Law, 42 U. RICH. L. REV. 1129 (May 2008).

Taking the Blue Pill: Credence Characteristics and the Matrix of Executive Compensation Reform, 62 S.M.U. L. REV. ___ (forthcoming 2009).

WORKS IN PROGRESS

Picking Friends from the Crowd: Supreme Court Amicus Participation as Political Symbolism

The Value of Innkeepers: Corporate Counsel and the Compliance Conundrum

PRESENTATIONS

Presenter, SEALS Corporate Roundtable Workshop, Palm Beach, FL July 2009 (forthcoming)

Presenter, "Taking the Blue Pill: Executive Pay, Politics, and the Credence Characteristics of Corporate Reform" LSU Law Center Workshop, Baton Rouge, LA, October 30, 2008

Presenter, "Taking the Blue Pill: Corporate Governance as a Credence Good," Southeast/Southwest People of Color Conference, Durham, NC, April 12, 2008

Presenter, "Branding the Small Wonder: Delaware's Differentiation Advantage and the Market for Corporate Law," Southeastern Association of Law Schools New Scholars Workshop, Amelia Island, Florida, July 30, 2007

Presenter, "Reconsidering Extra-Legal Responses To Promote Academic Achievement and Access To Higher Education Among Underrepresented And Vulnerable Groups," 18th Annual Sadie T.M. Alexander Commemorative Conference, "Exploring Emerging Issues in Class Inequality", University of Pennsylvania Law School, Philadelphia, PA, February 2006

Keynote Speaker, Delaware Department of Education, School Improvement Annual Awards Banquet, May 2005, Dover, DE

Keynote Speaker, Christina School District, Celebration of Mentors/Tutors Banquet, Wilmington, DE, May 2005

Keynote Speaker, Delaware State Parent Advisory Council 27th Annual Parent Training Conference, Wilmington, DE, February 2005

Panelist, Charting Your Own Course Foundation 7th Annual Corporate Career Conference, Lansdowne, VA, September 2004