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Abbreviated Vitae

EDUCATION:

Ph.D. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, 2003
Major Field: African-American History Since 1815
Minor Fields: U.S. National & History of Education
Advisor: Professor James R. Barrett

B.A. North Carolina Central University, 1987
Double Major: Political Science, History, *magna cum laude*

A.A.S. Durham Community College, 1976
Business Administration

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

2009-present	Associate Professor, History University of South Carolina, Columbia
2007-2009	Assistant Professor, History University of South Carolina, Columbia
2003-2007	Assistant Professor, History and African American Studies University of South Carolina, Columbia
1999-2003	Instructor History and African American Studies University of South Carolina, Columbia

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE:

2010-present	Director, African American Studies University of South Carolina, Columbia
2002-2007	Associate Director, Curriculum & Instruction and Programming African American Studies, University of South Carolina, Columbia
1991-1999	Staff Associate/Editor Afro-American Studies and Research Program University of Illinois - Champaign-Urbana

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS:

Work-in-Progress:

“*I am Only One, But I Am One*”: *Southern African American Women Schoolteachers and Black Freedom Struggles, 1884-1954*.

Books:

South Carolina Women: Their Lives and Times, co-editor with Marjorie Spruill and Joan Johnson, (University of Georgia Press, Volume One, May 2009; Volume Two, February 2010; Volume Three 2012).

Articles:

“Gendered Worlds,” Valinda W. Littlefield and Dorothy O. Pratt in *The Routledge History of the American South*, editor, Maggi M. Morehouse, 2017.

“Researching and Writing Southern History from Close Encounters,” in Burton, Orville Vernon and Prince, Eldred E., Jr., editors, *Becoming Southern Writers: Essays in honor of Charles Joyner*, Columbia, University of South Carolina Press, 2016.

“Using the Educational Histories of Individuals to Complicate Standard Historical Narratives about Expanding Citizenship Rights and Opportunities” in *History of Education Quarterly*, 2016.

“Teaching Survival and Combat Strategies During the Jim Crow Era: Ruby Middleton Forsythe and Fannie Phelps Adams,” *South Carolina Women: Their Lives and Times*, University of Georgia Press, 2012.

SELECTED PAPER PRESENTATIONS AND CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION:

“Parallel Lives: Minnie A. Kennedy and Belle W. Baruch,” USC Arts and Sciences Alumni and Friends, Georgetown, SC, 2017.

“Sins of Omission: Jeanes Teachers and Rosenwald Schools,” National Trust for Historic Preservation Conference, June 2016.

“‘Never Say You Can’t, Always Say I’ll Try’: Ms. Ruby Forsythe and African American Education,” Georgetown Women Hall of Fame Induction speaker, March 2015.

SELECTED OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

Historian, *Between the Waters Documentary Project*, SCETV, 2013-2017

Historian, “Ms. Ruby” project, Georgetown Public Library 2016-2017

Historian, “Gullah Artists” project, Georgetown Public Library 2015-2016

Historian, “Out of the Rice Fields” project, Georgetown Public Library 2014-2015

Panelist – NEH Landmarks of American History and Culture Application Review Board, April 2014

Committees & Boards (Selected)

A&S

Earth, Ocean, and Environment faculty search committee 2017-2018

Political Science chair search committee 2016-2017

University:

SEC/NCAA Faculty Athletic Representative, 2015-present

South Caroliniana Library Advisory Board, 2016-present
University 50th Anniversary of Desegregation Committee, Co-Chair, 2013-2014
University Faculty Committee on Instructional Development, 2009-2011

Professional:

Southern Historical Association

Member, Executive Committee, 2015-2018; Member, John Blassingame Award Committee, 2014-2015
National Civil Rights Museum at the Lorraine Motel, Renovations Committee, 2014

State:

Historian & Selection Committee member, AT&T African American Calendar, 2013-Present
South Carolina Academy of Authors, 2010-present
SC Historical Society Board Member, 2015-present
SC State Department of Education, Social Studies Standards' Writing Committee Member, 2010