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**EDUCATION**

* Cumberland School of Law, Birmingham, AL 1987-1990
	+ Juris Doctor
* Auburn University, Auburn AL 1985-1987
	+ B.S. in Business Management
* Southern Union State Community College, Opelika AL 1982-1985

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

* City of Opelika, Opelika, AL 2008-Present
	+ Municipal Court Judge
	+ Municipal Prosecutor
* City of Roanoke, Roanoke, AL 2006-2010
	+ Prosecutor 2014-present
	+ Judge
* State of Alabama, Opelika, AL 2005-Present
	+ Child Support Court Referee (2010-present)
	+ Juvenile Court Referee (2005-present)
* City of Wedowee, Wedowee, AL 1995-Present
	+ Municipal Court Judge

* City of Uniontown, Uniontown, AL 1995-1998
	+ Attorney
* Hand and Associates, Opelika, AL 1990-Present
	+ Attorney/Owner
	+ Founder, attorney, and manager
	+ Over 22 years of legal experience
	+ Represented thousands of clients including:
		- Chief of Police Terry Sanders, Valley, AL
		- Chief of Police Ben Brown, Lanett, AL
		- Supreme Court Justice Tom Parker
		- Gov. Elect Bob Riley for possible challenge by Gov. Siegelman

**AWARDS**

* Lexis Nexis award **Highly Rated in Both Legal Ability and Ethical Standards** (2011)
* Recognized by the Opelika/Auburn News for **work with child supportenforcement**
* Awarded the WTVM Channel 9 **Best All Around Law Firm** and the **Best Criminal Defense Lawyer** in 2011
* Awarded the **Rosa Parks; Morris Dees Wall of Tolerance Award** (2005)
* Strathmore’s **Who’s Who of Attorney’s at Law** (2003-2004)
* **Nationwide Register of Who’s Who in Executive & Business** (2000)
* Recognized by Gov. Siegelman as Board Chair of **Sickle Cell Society**
* Recognized by State Senate for **work as Opelika Municipal Judge**

**REFERENCES**

* Representative Duwayne Bridges
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* Senator Tom Whatley
	+ State House Rm. 733

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* Judge Mike Fellows
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