

Curriculum Vitae/Resume

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EDUCATION

- Ph.D Candidate** Juvenile Justice, Prairie View A & M University, Prairie View, Texas
2010, ABD Status—Dissertation Stage
- Ph.D Candidate** Criminal Justice, Capella University, Minneapolis, Minnesota, 2009
(completed twenty four (24) hours)
- M. ED.** Sociology, Delta State University, Cleveland, Mississippi, May, 1999
- MSCJ** Criminal Justice, Delta State University, Cleveland, Mississippi, May 1998
- B.S.** Criminal Justice, Delta State University, Cleveland, Mississippi, May 1996

EXPERIENCES

Fall 2013-Present

Assistant Professor, Criminal Justice
Mississippi Valley State University

Courses taught: Courses taught: Research Methods, Introduction to Statistics, Introduction to Criminal Justice, Criminology, Law Enforcement Systems and Practices, Terrorism, Introduction to Cybercrime, Correctional Systems and Practices, Court Systems and Practices, Victimology, Police Organization and Management, and Criminal Investigation

Other duties included: Develop study guides, weekly quizzes, and final quizzes; advise students, serve on university-committees, received consistently high student evaluation marks

August 2007-Fall 2013

Instructor, Criminal Justice
Mississippi Valley State University

Courses taught: Research Methods, Introduction to Statistics, Introduction to Criminal Justice, Criminology,

Law Enforcement Systems and Practices, Introduction to Cybercrime, Correctional Systems and Practices, Court Systems and Practices, Victimology and Criminal Investigation

Fall 2013-Present

Undergraduate Coordinator, Criminal Justice
Mississippi Valley State University

Spring 2014-Present

Faculty Advisor, Alpha Phi Sigma
Criminal Justice Honor Society
Mississippi Valley State University

Fall 2013-Fall 2014

Faculty Senator (at large), Parliamentarian
Mississippi Valley State University

Maintained order while faculty senate meetings were in session; and, made sure that the meetings were conducted according to Robert's Rule of Order

January 2010- Fall 2011

Graduate Assistant/Instructor, Criminal Justice
Prairie View A&M University

Course taught: Police Systems and Practices

August 2009-Fall 2011

Undergraduate Coordinator
Mississippi Valley State University

January 2007-August 2007

Adjunct Instructor, Criminal Justice
Mississippi Valley State University

Courses taught: Introduction to Criminal Justice, Criminal Investigation, and Juvenile Justice

November 2004-December 2005

Police Officer
Greenville Police Department

June 2003-March 2004

Chief of Police
Sunflower Police Department

Duties included: directly responsible for: maintaining law and order; day to day management and operations of the police department; developing and implementing operational strategies and training needs; briefing members of the City Council in regard to police matters/activities.

Other accomplishments included: reconstructing Sunflower Police Department—establishing a filing system and a credible investigative department, creating a work policy, preparing grants to allow the Town of Sunflower to purchase equipment for officers, training law enforcement officer (subordinate officers), and creating a systematic evidence room, etc.

August 1998-January 2007

Adjunct Instructor, Criminal Justice and Sociology

Mississippi Delta Community College

Courses taught: Introduction to Criminal Justice, Juvenile Delinquency, and Introduction to Sociology

June 2001-October 2003

Investigative Chief

Mississippi Department of Correction (MDOC)
Internal Audit Division

Duties included: conducted complex criminal and administrative investigations in accordance with all pertinent laws and guidelines to substantiate criminal and disciplinary actions; prepared investigative reports to reflect results of criminal and administrative investigations and other correspondence as necessary to outside agencies; collected evidence and testify in courts or before administrative hearings as necessary; created a systematic evidence room; performed all administrative duties and responsibilities required to supervise a branch office of subordinate investigators, a gang coordinator, inmate telephone and clerical personnel to include the assignment of duties, employee performance ratings, review of reports, liaison with internal and external agencies and other duties in a timely manner, as necessary for the successful operations of an office; developed and operated confidential sources of information to assist in identifying criminal and illegal activities; established and maintained liaison with other law enforcement agencies, prosecutors and other agencies as necessary to coordinate investigations being conducted by MDOC.

July 1999-January 2001

Chief of Police

Rosedale Police Department

Duties included: responsible for— planning, coordinating, and directing a number of subordinates who were in charge of specific divisions; the constant study of and familiarity with operations and programs; practical budgetary preparation; personnel matters including disciplinary actions, and frequently participated in work performed by subordinate officers within the police department

Other accomplishments included the following: reconstructing Rosedale Police Department---computerizing the department with a criminal justice record tracking system, establishing a credible investigative department, creating a work policy,

preparing grants to allow the City of Rosedale to purchase equipment and to hire additional officers, training law enforcement officer (subordinate officers), creating a systematic evidence room, etc.

August 1995-July 1999

Police Officer
Indianola Police Department

RESEARCH INTEREST

Youth Violence and Juvenile Justice, Community Policing, Rural Policing, Risk Assessment, White Collar Crime, Race and Crime, Applied Quantitative Methods and Measurements

BOOK REVIEW

Cobbs, R. (2013). Hidden Truth: Young Men Navigating Lives In and Out of Juvenile Prison (Review of the Book Hidden Truth: Young Men Navigating Lives In and Out of Juvenile Prison. *The Journal of Criminal Justice and Law Review*. (In Press)

Cobbs, R. (2011). Globalizing the streets: Cross-cultural perspectives on Youth, Social Control, and Empowerment [Review of the book Globalizing the Streets: Cross-Cultural Perspectives on Youth, Social Control and Empowerment, International Criminal Justice Review. Sage Publication.

ENCYCLOPEDIA ENTRIES

Cobbs, R.E.M., Lakes, B., & Elechi, O.O. (2015). Private Law Enforcement (History, Purposes, Uses/Abuses, Example of). In Encyclopedia of Surveillance, Security and Privacy. Sage Publication. (In press).

Cobbs, R.E.M., Weathers, A., & Elechi, O.O. (2015). Municipal Surveillance (Cities and Towns Generally). In Encyclopedia of Surveillance, Security and Privacy. Sage Publication. (In press).

Elechi, O.O., Cobbs, R.E.M., & Amadi, E. (2015). Nigeria. In Encyclopedia of Surveillance, Security and Privacy. Sage Publication. (In press).

Cobbs, R.E.M., Elechi, O.O., & Morris-Francis, S. (2015). Community. In Encyclopedia of Surveillance, Security and Privacy. Sage Publication. (In press).

Elechi, O.O., & Cobbs, R.E.M. (2015) Punishment. In Encyclopedia of Surveillance, Security and Privacy. Sage Publication. (In press).

Elechi, O.O., & Cobbs, R.E.M., & Amadi, E. (2015) Colonialism. In Encyclopedia of Surveillance, Security and Privacy. Sage Publication. (In press).

- Elechi, O.O., & Cobbs, R.E.M. (2015)** Botswana. In *Encyclopedia of Surveillance, Security and Privacy*. Sage Publication. (In press).
- Henry, A., & Cobbs, R.E.M. (2015)**. School Surveillance (Colleges and Universities) In *Encyclopedia of Surveillance, Security and Privacy*. Sage Publication. (In press).
- Cobbs, R.E.M., & Elechi, O.O., Carter, A. (2015)**. Search and Seizure (Recent Fourth Amendment Challenges/Changes). In *Encyclopedia of Surveillance, Security and Privacy*. Sage Publication. (In press).
- Cobbs, R.E.M., & Elechi, O.O. (2015)**. Social Contract. In *Encyclopedia of Surveillance, Security and Privacy*. Sage Publication. (In press).
- Elechi, O.O., Cobbs, R.E.M., & Greer, A. (2015)**. Global Village. In *Encyclopedia of Surveillance, Security and Privacy*. Sage Publication. (In press).
- Williams, B., Elechi, O.O., & Cobbs, R.E.M. (2015)**. Moral Panic (Theories of). In *Encyclopedia of Surveillance, Security and Privacy*. Sage Publication. (In press).
- Cobbs, R., & Elechi, O.O. (2014)**. Pariah Underground Economy. In *Encyclopedia of Criminal Justice Ethics*. Sage Publication. (In press).
- Cobbs, R., & Elechi, O.O. (2013)**. National Incident Based Reporting System. In *Encyclopedia of Criminology and Criminal Justice*. Wiley-Blackwell. (In press)
- Elechi, O.O., & Cobbs, R. (2012)**. Charles Rangel. In *Encyclopedia of White-Collar and Corporate Crime*. (2nd ed.). Sage Publication. (In press)
- Cobbs, R., & Elechi, O.O. (2012)**. United American Bank. In *Encyclopedia of White-Collar and Corporate Crime*. (2nd ed.). Sage Publication. (In press)
- Cobbs, R., & O. O. Elechi. (2011)**. James Brown. In *African-Americans Criminological Encyclopedia*. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO Greenwood Press.
- Cobbs, R., & O.O. Elechi. (2011)**. Criminal Deportation. In *African-Americans Criminological Encyclopedia*. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO Greenwood Press.
- Elechi, O. O. & Cobbs, R. (2011)**. Linkages Between the Legal and Illegal Economies. In *Encyclopedia of Transnational Crime and Justice*. Sage Publications.
- Elechi, O. O. & Cobbs, R. (2011)**. Internal Migration. In *The Twenties in America*. Pasadena, CA: Salem Press.

Cobbs, R., & Elechi, O.O. (2011). International Association of Chiefs of Police. *In Encyclopedia of Transnational Crime and Justice.* Sage Publications.

Cobbs, R., & Elechi, O.O. (2011). Risk Assessment. In Encyclopedia of Transnational Crime and Justice. Sage Publication.

NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL PERFORMANCE/EXHIBITIONS PRESENTATIONS

Onwudiwe, I.D. & Cobbs, R.E.M. (2014). African Security and Community Policing. Paper Presented at the Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice Annual Conference (South Padre Island, Texas, October 2-4, 2014).

Cobbs, R. & Elechi, O.O. (2013). The Validity of Mississippi Youth Assessment and Screening Instrument (YASI) to Predict Recidivism of Juvenile Offenders: A Comparative Analysis. Paper Presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Conference (Atlanta, Georgia, November 20, 2013). Presenter.

Cobbs, R. (2012). An Examination of Pre-Trial Release Decisions/Outcomes: Are There Racial Differences Among Felony Offenders in Mississippi. Paper Presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences 50th Annual Conference (Dallas, Texas, March 19-23, 2013). Presenter.

Cobbs, R. (2012). Rural Crime and Rural Policing: A Content Analysis Approach. Paper Presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Conference (Chicago, Illinois, November 14-16, 2012). Presenter.

Cobbs, R. (2012). *Policing Race in the State of Mississippi: A Case Study Approach.* Paper presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Conference (New York City, New York, March 13-17, 2011). Presenter.

Gibson, C., Cobbs, R., Walton, J., & Beneby, D. (2012). *Toward Understanding Black Juvenile Homicide Incidents.* Paper presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Conference (New York City, New York, March 13-17, 2012). Presenter.

Cobbs, R. (2011). *Undocumented Immigrant Youths and Offending in the United States: A Social Control Perspective.* Paper presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Conference (Toronto Ontario, Canada, March 1-5, 2011). Presenter and Chair of the Social Factors that Influence the link Between Control, Crime, and Delinquency Section.

Elechi, O.O., Lambert, E.G, Jenkins, M., & Cobbs, R.E. *Restorative Justice: U.S. Nigerian Students' Perspective.* Paper presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Conference (Toronto Ontario, Canada, March 1-5, 2011). Presenter.

Cobbs, R. (2011). *The Validity of Los Angeles Needs Assessment Instrument to Predict Recidivism among Minority Adolescents.* Paper presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Conference (Washington, D.C., November 16-19, 2011). Chair of Panel and Presenter.

Cobbs, R. (2010). *Policing Juveniles in the Mississippi Delta, Washington County.* Paper will be presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Conference (San Francisco, California, November 17-20, 2010). Presenter.

Cobbs, R. (2010). *An Empirical Analysis of Factors Common to Juveniles with Life Sentences.* Paper will be presented at the American Society of Criminology Annual Conference (San Francisco, California, November 17-20, 2010). Presenter.

Cobbs, R. (2010). *Statutory Rape and Its Effect on Female High School Drop Out Rate in the Mississippi Delta-Washington, County: An Empirical Evidence.* Paper presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Conference (San Diego, California, February 23-27, 2010). Presenter and Chair of the Victim Analyses Section.

WORK IN PROGRESS

Encyclopedia Entries

Journal Articles

Onwudiwe, I.D. & Cobbs, R.E.M. (2014). African Security and Community Policing.

Cobbs, R.E.M. (2013). The Validity of Los Angeles Needs Assessment Instrument to Predict Recidivism among Minority Adolescents.

Henderson, H., Bourgeois, J., & Cobbs, R. (2013). Racial Bias in Probationer Risk Assessment: Utilizing the Wisconsin Risk Assessment Instrument to Predict Probation Success.

Grant

2011 (April)- \$5,000 (Principal Investigator) from the U.S. Department of Education, Title III, Plan B Program. The title of project is: The Policing of Juveniles in the State of Mississippi: A Replication Study with O.O. Elechi.

2012 (October)- \$1,500 (Principle Investigator) from the Office of the Vice President for Research and Graduate Studies entitled Dr. Michael D. McKinney Research and Creative Activities Mini-Grant program with O.O. Elechi.

EDITORIAL ACTIVITY

Assistant Editor Criminal Justice in the Pre-colonial, Colonial and Post-colonial Eras: An Application of the Colonial Model to Changes in the Severity of Punishment in Nigerian Law

CERTIFICATIONS/TRAINING

A Mississippi Law Enforcement Officer, 1996

A Certificate of Training at the FBI Basic Crime Scene School, 2000

A Certificate of Training of Leadership in Leadership Training for Law Enforcement Executives, 2000

A Certificate of Training in M.A.C.P., 2000

A Certificate of Training in Basic Internal Affairs Investigation, 2002

A Mississippi Law Enforcement Instructor, 2003

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

Member Alpha Phi Sigma Honor Society

International Association of Chief of Police

Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences

Southern Criminal Justice Association

Mississippi Chief of Police Association

African Criminology and Justice Association