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Mrs. Parry is licensed to practice law in Alabama and has mediated in excess of 2800 private practice civil cases and co-meditated 145 mass torts, class actions and MDLs since founding Wise Resolution, LLC<sup>®</sup> and becoming a full-time neutral in 2001.

Michelle is a Fellow of the International Academy of Mediators, a member of the National Association of Distinguished Neutrals in Kansas and Alabama and was a Founding Member of Mediators Beyond Borders. She has been recognized by Super Lawyers and Best Lawyers.

Michelle became an Adjunct Associate Professor of Law in 2002 teaching Mediation Advocacy and Mediation Practice and Process at Samford University's Cumberland School of Law until 2012. She lectured at Cambridge University, England in 2005 on International Civil Dispute Resolution and has taught Interviewing, Counseling and Negotiation, Mediation, Trial Advocacy, Criminal Law and Criminal Procedure I and II at Birmingham School of Law. While at Cumberland, she Coached its ABA Representation in Mediation National Team; including the 2005 National Champions.

In 2008, Michelle was appointed by the Presiding Judge and the Supreme Court of Alabama for a four-year term as Court Mediator for the 10<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit. In addition to serving as the mediator in cases ordered to mediation, she also developed and implemented pilot mediation programs for Criminal, Domestic Relations and Family Courts. Her programs resolved over 1300 violent felonies, criminal municipal appeals, post-minority support petitions and uncontested divorces during the pilot. Additionally, the original mediation pilot she founded in 1999 in small claims court double pro se cases is ongoing and continues to resolve an average of 400 small claims cases a year using volunteer mediators and with no funding.

Michelle was educated by the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur at Trinity College in Washington D.C., is a graduate of Cumberland School of Law with an emphasis in Trial Advocacy, holds Certificates from the National Criminal Defense College in Advanced Cross Examination and Trial, a Certificate in Negotiation from Harvard's Program on Negotiation and an LL.M. from Pepperdine University, Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution.

She clerked for Judge Michael F. Bolin, Probate Court of Jefferson County (now a member of the Alabama Supreme Court) and Senior Judge Edward S. Smith, (dec.) U.S. Court of Appeals

Federal Circuit, Washington, DC and for the 104th Congress, United States Senate Judiciary Committee, Democratic Minority Subcommittee on Terrorism, Technology and Government Information, Senators Herbert H, Kohl (D-WI), Patrick J. Leahy (D-VT), and Dianne Feinstein (D-CA).

Michelle and her husband Keven W. Parry, live in Grandview Plaza, Kansas.

#### **EDUCATION**

Pepperdine University, Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution, LL.M., May 2008, Malibu, California.

Samford University, Cumberland School of Law, J.D. (accelerated), December 1999, Birmingham, Alabama.

Trinity College, Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur, B.A. *summa cum laude* in Communication and Business, December 1996, Washington, DC.

Certificates from Harvard University, Program on Negotiation, 2000 and National Criminal Defense College, 2011.

#### **EMPLOYMENT**

Cumberland School of Law / Birmingham School of Law Fall 2002 contracted through Spring 2012.

Courses Taught: Mediation Advocacy - Fall 2004, Spring 2005, Fall 2005, Spring 2006, Fall 2006, Spring 2007, Fall 2007, Spring 2008, Fall 2008, Spring 2009, Fall 2009, Spring, 2010, Fall 2010, Spring 2011 and Fall 2011. Mediation Practice and Process - Fall 2002, Spring 2003, Fall 2003 and Spring 2004. International Mediation and International Commercial Arbitration, Summer 2006, England. Lawyering and Legal Reasoning – Negotiation Theory component, Fall 2004, Fall 2005, Fall 2006 and Fall 2007. Interviewing Counseling and Negotiation, Winter 2005 and Summer 2005. Justice Theory – Summer 2008. Mediator Practice – Summer 2007, Summer 2009, Summer 2011. Criminal Law - Summer 2010. Criminal Procedure I, Fall 2010 and Fall 2011. Criminal Procedure II, Spring 2010 and Spring 2011 (visiting professor, Birmingham School of Law, Alabama).

Wise Resolution, LLC 2001 to present Attorney, Mediator, Arbitrator, Umpire

Gorham & Waldrep, P.C. Law Clerk, Attorney, 1998-2001

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

#### **Books**

Why are we so good at changing our minds? Belief and Belief Change as a mechanism of homeostasis. (monograph).

Credited Contributor to <u>How to Make Money as a Mediator and Create Value for Everyone</u> Spring 2008, Jossey-Bass, 2006.

Credited Contributor to Chapter 5, <u>Creative Problem Solver's Handbook for Negotiators and Mediators</u>, *Prevention of Deadlock, Stalemate and Impasse in Mediation*. Edited by John W. (Jack) Cooley, ABA Publishing, 2005.

Credited Contributor, Dean T. Brad Bishop, <u>The Prosecution and Defense of DUI Cases</u>. Samford University Press, 2004.

Editorial Assistant, Dean T. Brad Bishop, <u>Municipal Courts</u>, 3rd Ed., Samford University Press. 1999.

## Periodicals

ACResolution Magazine, Spring 2006, Feature Article: Guided by Questions

Newsletters, Published to Alabama State Bar magazine subscribers.

January 2006, Pez, Rickie Tickie Stickies and My Space.com

December 2005, Insufficient Excess

November 2005, Glowing Pucks

October 2005, Fatal Misunderstandings

September 2005, Analysis Paralysis

August 2005, Nature v. Nurture

July 2005, Who Put the Mania in Tulipmania?

June 2005, Rock, Paper, Scissors!

May 2005, E-mail Etiquette

April 2005, The Art of Complaining

March 2005, What's Your Conflict Style?

February 2005, The Right Question Asked The Right Way

January 2005, The Right Words to Get the Conversation Started and Keep it Going

#### Law Journals

Article, Mediating in the Fifth Dimension, forthcoming, Cornell Journal of Law and Public Policy, 2009

# PUBLICATIONS - continued -

Article, Achieving Wise Resolutions in Mediation, vol. 28:1 of the American Journal of Trial Advocacy, 2004.

Contributor, Transcript of the joint meeting of the International Academy of Mediators and the American College of Civil Trial Mediators, New Orleans, LA, 2004.

#### **Telecasts / Podcasts / Online**

<u>Ethics in Negotiation</u>, Dec. 28 and 29, 2006. streaming video presentation http://cumberland.fastcle.com

Entrepreneurship for Neutrals: Marketing Your ADR Practice Teleseminar Series August 9, 2006. One hour interactive presentation available from the ACR online store at www.acrnet.org.

www.MediationAdvocacy.com, Law 803, Cumberland School of Law course website.

www.MediationStrategist.com, Birmingham School of Law course website.

<u>www.TeachingADR.com</u>, Results of a 2005 Survey of ADR Courses taught in accredited law school programs in the United States of America.

www.bsolcrimlaw.com Birmingham School of Law course website.

www.bsolcrimpro.com Birmingham School of Law course website.

www.bsolcrimpro2.com Birmingham School of Law course website.

#### **AWARDS AND HONORS**

Super Lawyer in Alternative Dispute Resolution, May 2009

Pro Bono and Public Service Award, Alabama State Bar, June 2007

Jones School of Law, Mediation Award, May 2005

Alabama State Bar, May 2000, perfect score certification 150/150

Dean's List, 1997 to 1999

Book Award, Appellate Advocacy, 1998

Dean's Honor, Rushton Distinguished Lecturer Series: The Scottsboro Boys, 1998

#### SELECTED PRESENTATIONS AND CONFERENCES

<u>Criminal Mediation – Theory, Style & Strategy</u> The Center for ADR – 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference June 17, 2011 Greenbelt, MD

Constitutional Issues in Criminal Mediation Supreme Court Fellows June 16, 2011 Washington, D.C.

Mediation of Probate Matters April, 2011

Negotiation for Criminal Justice Practitioners Alabama Center for Dispute Resolution / ABA Criminal Justice Section January  $20^{\rm th}$  2010

Back to Basics - Conflict ABC's
The Center for ADR – 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference
June 19, 2009
Greenbelt, MD

American Bar Association - Section of Dispute Resolution Eleventh Annual Spring Conference: Building Bridges to a Better Society <u>It's More Than The Money</u> - Thursday, April 16, 2009 at 10:15 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. New York, NY

Why Are We So Good At Changing Our Minds? The latest findings in cognition and neuroscience on our ability to form and change beliefs.

The Center for ADR - 20th Annual Conference
June 19 & 20, 2008
Greenbelt, MD

State Of The Art: Negotiation & Mediation
National Employment Lawyer's Association 2007 Eighteenth Annual Convention
June 27-June 30, 2007
San Juan, P.R.

The Business of ADR
Arkansas Conflict Resolution Association Annual Meeting
May 18, 2007
Little Rock, AR

# SELECTED PRESENTATIONS AND CONFERENCES - continued -

## Navigating the Complex Maze of Profound Injury Cases

American Bar Association - Section of Dispute Resolution Ninth Annual Spring Conference - "ADR in Bloom" April 25-28, 2007 Washington, D.C.

## Basic and Advanced Mediation Skills

40-hr. Mediation Certificate Course April 20-24, 2007 Boston, MA

## **Ethics in Negotiation**

Samford University, Cumberland School of Law Dec. 28 and 29, 2006 Birmingham, AL

# Entrepreneurship for Neutrals

Marketing Your ADR Practice Teleseminar Series August 9, 2006 Association for Conflict Resolution Washington, DC

## International Alternative Dispute Resolution

Summer Program for Masters of Comparative Law Students Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge, England July 2 – August 2, 2006

## Intervention Skills - Stopping Impasse Before It Starts

The Center for ADR - 18th Annual Conference and Skills Development Sessions - "Managing Conflict and Removing Barriers to Collaborative Decision Making"

June 21 & 22 & 23, 2006

Greenbelt, MD

## Mediating Death and Profound Injury Cases

American Bar Association - Section of Dispute Resolution Eighth Annual Spring Conference - "Georgia on My Mind" April 7, 2006 Atlanta, GA

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Pre-Skills Session: <u>Heavy Metal Mediation</u>

American Bar Association - Section of Dispute Resolution - Eighth Annual Spring Conference -

"Georgia on My Mind"

April 6, 2006 Atlanta, GA

## **Heartfelt Conversations**

International Academy of Mediators - Harvard Conference April 26 & 27 & 28 & 29, 2006 Cambridge, MA

## Co-Mediation Models

International Academy of Mediators "Perspectives" Conference November 2005 Dana Point, CA

# <u>Informational and Psychological Impediments to Resolution and Intervention Techniques to</u>

Reduce Them

Southern California Mediation Assoc. 17th Annual Conference - "The Absolute Mediator"

November 2005

Los Angeles, CA

## Negotiation Skills Intensive

Shelby County Bar Association October 2005 Columbiana, AL

## Hot Topics in Intellectual Property – ADR

ABA Dispute Resolution Section in cooperation with the ABA IP Litigation Section.

October 2005.

Las Vegas, NV

## The Choice to Mediate - Using ADR in Intellectual Property Disputes

Minnesota State Bar September 2005 Minneapolis, MN

## Entrepreneurship for Neutrals

Institute for Conflict Management July 2005 Santa Monica, CA

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## Marketing Your Mediation Practice

Thomas Goode Jones School of Law May 2005 Montgomery, AL

## Mediating Death and Profound Injury Cases

American Bar Association - Section of Dispute Resolution Seventh Annual Spring Conference - "The Golden State of ADR" April 14 & 15 &16, 2005 Los Angeles, CA

## Case Management Plans for Litigators

March 23, 2005 Birmingham Bar Association Birmingham, AL

## Advanced Negotiation Skills - Conference Coordinator and Presenter

Cumberland School of Law Continuing Legal Education Samford University February 25, 2005 Birmingham, AL

## What You Don't Know Might Hurt You

Calhoun County Bar Association January 2005 Anniston, AL

## Effective Use of Settlement Counsel and Litigation Counsel in Mediation

Mass Torts Made Perfect November 11 & 12, 2004 The Venetian, Las Vegas, NV

## Mediation Can Be Fun!

Annual Forum and Interactive Roll Play November 9, 2004 Birmingham, AL

## Lawyer as Communicator – Story Listening and Story Telling

Alabama Bar Institute for Continuing Legal Education (ABICLE) October 22, 2004 Tuscaloosa, AL

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# <u>"Mediation Can Be Fun!"</u> Conference Coordinator and Presenter Birmingham Bar Association

November 2004

Birmingham, AL

## Mediation and Arbitration Advocacy for Legal Services Lawyers

Alabama Center for Dispute Resolution

October 2004

Birmingham, AL

# Resolution and Resilience

Spring Conference, ABA Section of Dispute Resolution

April 2004

New York, NY

## "Mediation Can Be Fun!"

Birmingham Bar Association

November 2003

Birmingham, AL

# DUI Defense in Alabama – <u>Understanding the Draeger</u>

Alabama Bar Institute for Continuing Legal Education

November 2003

Birmingham, AL

"DUI: The Law In Alabama"

**Productions Unlimited** 

Mobile, AL, September 2003; Dothan, AL, May 2003; Huntsville, AL, March 2003

## <u>Getting Ready to Negotiate – Step by Step</u> - Conference Coordinator and Presenter

Birmingham Bar Association

May 2003

Birmingham, AL

# "Mediation Can Be Fun!" panelist

Birmingham Bar Association

November 2002 and October 2001

Birmingham, AL

#### SELECTED MEMBERSHIPS

Mediators Beyond Borders, Founding Member, 2006 to present.

Obradovic - Page 9 of 11 07/02/2012 International Academy of Mediators, Fellow, 2004 to present.

Alabama Academy of Attorney Mediators, 2003 to present.

Alabama State Bar 2000 to present.

## **REFERENCES**

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**REFERENCES** - continued -

Obradovic - Page 10 of 11 07/02/2012 H. C. Strickland (Corky) Samford University Cumberland School of Law 800 Lakeshore Drive Birmingham, AL 35229 Main number (205) 726-2011 hcstrick@samford.edu