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EDUCATION

- Ph.D. Juvenile Justice, Prairie View A & M University, Prairie View, Texas
2015
- 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

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Fall 2013-Present

Assistant Professor/Undergraduate Coordinator,
Criminal Justice
Mississippi Valley State University

Undergraduate courses taught: Courses taught: Research
Methods, Introduction to Statistics (face-to face),
Introduction to Criminal Justice, Criminology, Law
Enforcement Systems and Practices, Terrorism,
Introduction to Cybercrime, Correctional Systems and
Practices, Court Systems and Practices, Private and
Industrial Security Systems and Practices, Victimology,
Police Organization and Management, and Criminal
Investigation (face-to-face and/or online)

Graduate course taught (online): Criminal Justice System:
An Overview; Seminar in Juvenile Delinquency; Seminar in
Corrections

Other duties included: Develop study guides; weekly
quizzes, and final quizzes; advises students; serve on
university committees; responsible for teaching

undergraduates and graduate level courses, receive consistently high student evaluation marks

As the Undergraduate Coordinator, duties include: Assign courses in consultation with unit chair and faculty; Plan and review the curriculum; Coordinate all assessments activities within the academic unit; Coordinate advisement of students; Coordinate the clearance of graduating students in the criminal justice major; Coordinate the review of texts for undergraduate courses within the discipline; Prepare and submit changes in curriculum for the majors; Serve on committees for candidates for positions within the discipline; Conduct meetings with faculty in that academic unit; and, Make recommendations to the Department Chair on all other matters pertaining to the curriculum and academic integrity of the discipline.

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, Private and Industrial Security Systems and Practices and Criminal Investigation

Spring 2016-Present

President, Library Committee
Mississippi Valley State University

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, training 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

TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION

A Certified Mississippi Law Enforcement Officer, Mississippi Board On Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Training, 1996

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

A Certificate of Training of Leadership in Leadership Training for Law Enforcement Executives, Mississippi Chief of Police, 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, Mississippi Board
on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Training 2003

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Member Alpha Phi Sigma Honor Society, Faculty Advisor

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, Secretary

National Council of Negro Women, Quad Section Counties, Scholarship Director

HONORS, AWARDS, AND LISTINGS

Best Poster Award, Second Place, Health Disparities in An American Prison System:
Community-Based STI Screening and Intervention. System. Health Disparity
Conference, Jackson State University, 2016

PUBLICATIONS

Books and Book Chapters

Cobbs, R.E.M., Elechi, O.O., & Morris-Francis, S. (2016). Understanding
Probable cause. *The Use and Abuse of Police Power in America*, ABC-
CLIO/Greenwood/Praeger.

Elechi, O.O., Cobbs, R.E.M., & Morris-Francis, S. (2016). Social Control
Theory. *The Use and Abuse of Police Power in America*, ABC-
CLIO/Greenwood/Praeger.

Morris-Francis, S., Elechi, O.O., Cobbs, R.E.M. (2016). Racial Profiling.
The Use and Abuse of Police Power in America, ABC-
LIO/Greenwood/Praeger.

McGee-Cobbs, R.E. (2018). Youth violence: Prevention and intervention
strategies. In *Youth and gender violence and crime in the Caribbean*.
Volume (2). Maryland: Rowman & Littlefield. (In-progress).

Refereed Journal Articles

Onwudiwe, I.D., Tsudo, L., Ejiogu, K.U & Cobbs, R.E.M. (2016). In defense of
the Nigerian Homeland. *African Social Science Review*, Volume 8(1), 88-115.

McGee-Cobbs, R and Elechi, O. O. (2018). Rural Crime and Rural Policing. (In-progress).

Book Review

McGee-Cobbs, R. (2017). Stop and frisk: The use and abuse of a controversial policing tactic. (Review of the Book Stop and frisk: The use and abuse of a controversial policing tactic. *Criminal Justice Review*. Sage Publication. (In-progress).

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*.

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.

Research Reports and other professional publications

McGee-Cobbs, R.E., Lakes, B., & Elechi, O.O. (2018). 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. (2018). 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. (2018). Nigeria. In *Encyclopedia of Surveillance, Security and Privacy*. Sage Publication. (In press).

Cobbs, R.E.M., Elechi, O.O., & Morris-Francis, S. (2018). Community. In *Encyclopedia of Surveillance, Security and Privacy*. Sage Publication. (In press).

Elechi, O.O., & Cobbs, R.E.M. (2018) Punishment. In *Encyclopedia of Surveillance, Security and Privacy*. Sage Publication. (In press).

Elechi, O.O., & Cobbs, R.E.M., & Amadi, E. (2018) Colonialism. In *Encyclopedia of Surveillance, Security and Privacy*. Sage Publication. (In press).

Elechi, O.O., & Cobbs, R.E.M. (2018) Botswana. In *Encyclopedia of Surveillance, Security and Privacy*. Sage Publication. (In press).

Henry, A., & Cobbs, R.E.M. (2018). 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. (2018). 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. (2018). Social Contract. In *Encyclopedia of Surveillance, Security and Privacy*. Sage Publication. (In press).
- Elechi, O.O., Cobbs, R.E.M., & Greer, A. (2018). Global Village. In *Encyclopedia of Surveillance, Security and Privacy*. Sage Publication. (In press).
- Williams, B., Elechi, O.O., & Cobbs, R.E.M. (2018). 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.

RESEARCH AND PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

- Cobbs, R.E.M., Elechi, O.O., & Morris-Francis, S. (2016). Health Disparities in An American Prison System: Community-Based STI Screening and Intervention. System. Paper presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting (Denver, Colorado, March 29-April 2, 2016). Presenter.
- Elechi, O.O., Cobbs, R.E.M., Morris-Francis, S., Tapper, S., & Rembert, D. (2015). How are Universities Responding to Student-on-Student Sexual Assaults. Roundtable Discussion at the American Society of Criminology Annual Conference (Washington D.C., November 18-21, 2015). Discussant.
- Cobbs, R.E.M., Elechi, O.O., Henry, A., McKee, D., Reliford, C., & Rodriguez, S. (2015). Bullying in Middle and High Schools in Rural Mississippi: An Exploratory Study. Paper Presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Conference (Orlando, Florida, March 3-7, 2015). Presenter.
- Morris-Francis, S., Guerrero, G., Piper, D., Elechi, O.O., Cobbs, R.E.M., & Tapper, S. (2015). The Cycle of Domestic Violence: The Silent Epidemic: Is that So? Paper Presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Conference (Orlando, Florida, March 3-7, 2015). Discussant.
- Onwudiwe, I.D. & Cobbs, R.E.M. (2014). Terrorism, African Security and Community Policing. Paper Presented at the Southwestern Association of Criminal Justice Annual Conference (South Padre Island, Texas, October 2-4, 2014). Presenter.
- 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.

CONSULTING AND OTHER INVITED PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

Expert Testimony and Depositions Given Past 2 years

Willis, et al. v. City of Hattiesburg, MS, et al.
Bruce and Turner v. Sunflower Lane Apartments, MS, et al.
Johnson, et al. v. Willow Park Apts., et al.

GRANTS RECEIVED

2015 (Grant Recipient) Health Disparities Research Training Program Junior Faculty Scholar Award. The Jackson State University Center of Excellence in Minority Health and Health Disparities.

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. (funded)

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 (funded)