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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

National Agricultural Law Center; Fayetteville, AR *Aug, 2007 to Present*
Staff Attorney

- Research and respond to legal questions submitted to the Center by the general public, attorneys, extension personnel, and legislative aides and staffers
- Coordination and supervision of other attorneys working at the Center as graduate assistants during the LL.M. program.
- Writing and fulfilling the terms of federal grants on topics such as renewable energy, oil and natural gas issues, forestry, and estate planning.
- Publication of numerous articles on various topics ranging from alternative dispute resolution, estate tax issues, and environmental law to land use issues, leasing, and business organizations.
- Represented the Center while speaking on legal topics such as landowner liability, mineral rights, renewable energy, environmental issues, and leasing.
- Extensive legal research and writing on various agricultural topics. Example: Constructing a data base of all fifty states' recreational use statutes to assist with the development of agritourism. Also, compilation of state alternative dispute resolution statutes.

OK Farm Bureau Legal Foundation; Oklahoma City, OK *Jan. 2007 – June 2007*

- Participated in lobbying efforts to stop the implementation of regulations regarding the use of above ground storage tanks by primarily rural fuel distributorships.
- Assisted in the development of legal solutions to problems facing farmers and ranchers throughout Oklahoma.
- Worked on proposed litigation to deal with Oklahoma water rights both on the issue of the sale of surface water to Texas and on a conjunctive plan to integrate Oklahoma's surface and ground water law.

ACTIVITIES AND CERTIFICATIONS:

- Licensed to practice law in the State of Oklahoma
- American Indian Law Review
- Member of the American Agricultural Law Association
- Member of the Oklahoma Bar Association
- Studied at Oxford University, Brasnose College, Oxford, England (Summer 2005)
 - Coursework on Family Law, European Union Law, and English Legal History

EDUCATION:

2009 *LL.M. in Agricultural Law*: University of Arkansas

Master of Laws for Agricultural Law

Thesis Topic: *Special Use Valuation under the Internal Revenue Code:
Does it Matter Now and Will it Matter in the Future?*

2007 *Juris Doctor*: University of Oklahoma

Grade Point Average: 8.55/12.0

Class Rank: 54 out of 177

2004 *Bachelor of Science, Agricultural Business*: Oklahoma State University

Major in Agribusiness

Magna Cum Laude

Grade Point Average: 3.81/4.0

PUBLICATIONS

- *A Comparison of the General Provisions Found in Right-to-Farm Statutes* (R. Rumley) – forthcoming in the Vermont Journal of Environmental Law, Spring 2011
- *Enforcing Animal Welfare Statutes: In Many States, it's Still the Wild West* (E. Rumley & R. Rumley) – pending publication
- *The Legal Issues Surrounding the Use of Antibiotics in Animal Agriculture* (R. Rumley & H. Pittman)
- [States' Alternative Dispute Resolution \(ADR\) Statutes](#) (R. Rumley)
- [Bull Leasing Contracts in Arkansas](#) (R. Rumley)
- [An Overview of Special Use Valuation under 26 U.S.C.A. §2032A](#) (R. Rumley)
- *Business Organizations Forms and Filing Information* (R. Rumley)
- [Written Sugarcane Leases: Protecting the Interests of the Farmer and Landowner](#) (R. Rumley & B. Thomas)
- [The Clean Water Authority Restoration Act: A Primer of Background Material](#) (Goeringer & R. Rumley)
- [States' Recreational Use Statutes](#) (Springsteen & Rumley)
- *Compilation of Arkansas Oil and Gas Laws* (R. Rumley)
- *Compilation of Louisiana Oil and Gas Laws* (R. Rumley)
- [Legal and Business Guide for Specialty Crop Producers](#) (Center Staff)
- [Outline of GIPSA's Proposed Rule Changes](#) (Workshop Handout) (Center Staff)
- Business Structure Articles
 - [Sole Proprietorship](#) (R. Rumley)
 - [General Partnership](#) (R. Rumley)
 - [Limited Partnership](#) (R. Rumley)
 - [Limited Liability Partnership](#) (R. Rumley)
 - [C. Corporation](#) (R. Rumley)
 - [S. Corporation](#) (R. Rumley)
 - [Limited Liability Company](#) (R. Rumley)

PRESENTATIONS

2011

Wind and Mineral Leasing Issues

Arkansas Women in Agriculture Conference; Little Rock, AR

Estate Planning and Succession Planning for Farmers

Rural Life Conference; Pine Bluff, AR

Estate Planning for Socially Disadvantaged Farmers

West Helena, AR

Hope, AR

Jonesboro, AR

2010

The Clean Water Act: Current Status and Potential Changes

Oklahoma Bar Association's Earth, Wind, and Water CLE series

Oklahoma City, OK

Tulsa, OK

Right-To-Farm Statutes and Corporate Farming Laws

Arkansas "Best of CLE;" Bentonville, AR

Agricultural Contracts and the Leasing of Land

Arkansas Women in Agriculture; Little Rock, AR

Proposed GIPSA Rules: What Changes are Proposed?

Fayetteville, AR;

Russellville, AR;

Nashville, AR;

Ruston, LA;

Poteau, OK;

Booneville, AR

Agricultural Contracts and Leases

Annie's Project; Perryville, AR

Farm-Scale Biodiesel Production: Taxes and Financial Incentives

National Center for Appropriate Technology; Webinar

2009

Right-To-Farm Statutes and Corporate Farming Laws

American Agricultural Law Association; Williamsburg, VA

Agricultural Contracts and Leases

Arkansas Women in Agriculture; Little Rock, AR

Legal Liability Concerns for Agritourism Operations

Mississippi State Extension; Grand Junction, TN

Estate Planning and Farm Succession

Annie's Project; Hope, AR

"If You Grow It, They Will Come,"

Agritourism Workshop; Morrilton, AR