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**John P. Freeman**  
**Professor of Law Emeritus**

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Education history: LL.M., 1976, University of Pennsylvania Law School; J.D., 1970, University of Notre Dame Law School; B.B.A., 1967, University of Notre Dame (Accounting)

Employment history: 1970 72, Attorney, Jones, Day Law Firm, Cleveland, Ohio

1972 73, Fellow, University of Pennsylvania Law School Center for the Study of Financial Institutions

1973 75, Assistant Professor of Law, University of South Carolina

1974 and 1975 (Summers), Special Counsel, Division of Investment Management, SEC, Washington, D.C.

1975 78, Associate Professor of Law, University of South Carolina; Visiting Associate Professor of Law at Loyola Law School (Chicago) Spring 1977

1978 2008, Professor of Law, University of South Carolina; Visiting Professor of Law at University of Texas Law School, Summer 1978

Present: Distinguished Professor Emeritus and John T. Campbell Chair in Business and Professional Ethics Emeritus

Honors and Awards: Undergraduate: Member Beta Alpha Psi (Honorary Accounting Fraternity)

Law School: Executive Editor, Notre Dame Lawyer; Distinguished Military Graduate

Professional:

At University of South Carolina Law School: Senior Class Annual Outstanding Faculty Award of 1975, 1976, 1977, 1984;

Winston Churchill Award, South Carolina Jury Trial Foundation 1995; Distinguished Service Award, South Carolina Trial Lawyers Association 2000; Appointed Member, South Carolina Judicial Merit Selection Commission (presently serving)

Admitted to Practice:

Ohio; South Carolina

Teaching History  
Courses Taught:

Professional Responsibility, Legal Accounting, Business Associations, Corporations, Agency-Partnership, Securities Regulation, Corporate Finance, Business Planning, Legal Research and Writing, Business Crime, Legal Malpractice Component of Advanced Legal Profession Seminar

Scholarly and Professional Publications

Author, 1999-2008, Regular Legal Ethics Column for South Carolina Lawyer.

Article (with Stewart Brown and Steve Pomerantz), Mutual Fund Advisory Fees: New Evidence and a Fair Fiduciary Duty Test, 61 Okla. L. Rev. 83 (2008).

Article, The Mutual Fund Distribution Fee Mess, 32 J. Corporation Law 739 (2007).

Viewpoint, Say No to Vending Machine Justice, S.C. Lawyer, July 2007, at 8.

Article, It's the Conflict of Interest, Stupid, Money Mgm't Exec., May 17, 2004, at 14.

Chapter on Legal Opinion Liability in Legal Opinion Letters A Comprehensive Guide to Opinion Letter Practice (M. John Sterba, Jr., ed. 2003) (plus annual updates).

Chapter in South Carolina Damages Treatise on Damages in Securities Cases (2004).

Article, The Ethics of Using Judges to Conceal Wrongdoing, 55 S.C.L. Rev. 829 (2004).

Article (with Stewart Brown), Mutual Fund Advisory Fees: The Cost of Conflicts of Interest, 26 J. Corporation Law 610 (2001).

Article, Liens, Fees and Taxes, South Carolina Trial Lawyer, Summer 2000, at 26.

Article, A Business Lawyer Looks at the Internet, 49 S.C.L. Rev. 903 (1998).

Article, Payments to Medical Care Providers: What Are the Lawyer's Obligations' South Carolina Lawyer, September-October 1994, at 39.

Article, Current Developments in Lawyer Liability: Coping with the Fraudulent Client, Delaware Lawyer, Winter 1993, at 27.

Article, Treble Damage Statutes Can Increase Trust Recoveries, 4 Probate Practice Reporter, June 1992, at 1.

Article (with Nathan Crystal), Scienter in Professional Liability Cases, 42 S.C.L. Rev. 783 (1991).

Article, How Computerized Databases Are Redefining Due Diligence, Carolina Lawyer (July-August 1991).

Article, When Are Lawyers' Gifts to Judges Improper' Carolina Lawyer (November-December 1990).

Article, Current Developments in Legal Opinion Liability, 1989 Col. J. Bus. L. 235.

Article, Understanding the Joint Client Exception to the Attorney-Client Privilege, Carolina Lawyer (July-August 1989).

Article, A RICO Primer, 1985 Small Business Counselor No. 4.

Article, The Use of Mutual Fund Assets to Pay Marketing Costs, 9 Loy. Chi. L.J. 553 (1978).

Article, Marketing Mutual Funds and Individual Life Insurance, 28 S.C.L. Rev. 1 124 (1976), reprinted in Nat'l Ins. L. Rev. Serv. (1977).

Article, Opinion Letters and Professionalism, 1973 Duke L.J. 371 439, reprinted in Securities Law Review 1974 (E. Folk, III, ed.).

Co author, Multi student Survey, The Mutual Fund Industry: A Legal Survey, 44 Notre Dame Lawyer 732 983 (1969).

Case Comment, Escott v. BarChris Constr. Corp., 44 Notre Dame Lawyer, 122 40 (1968).

## Other Scholarly Activities

Speeches (with accompanying outlines) presented at numerous CLE courses sponsored by various entities including the South Carolina Bar, University of South Carolina Law School and the South Carolina Supreme Court.

CLE Presentations 2007-04: Richardson Patrick Local Counsel CLE, Litigation Ethics, May 2, 2008 (Charleston, SC); Inst. of Public Utilities, 39th Ann. Reg. Policy Conf., Panel on Equity and Responsibility in the Public Utilities Sector (Charleston, SC), Dec. 3, 2007; S.C. Attorney General's Office; Litigation Ethics, Nov. 9, 2007; Richland County Bar, Ethics Update, Nov. 2, 2007; SC Bar, Litigation Ethics, Oct. 26, 2007; S.C. Children's Law Center, Ethical Problems in the Child Abuse Area, Oct. 19, 2007; National Ass'n of Medicaid Fraud Control Units, Ethics and the Government Lawyer (Savannah, Ga.), Oct. 1, 2007; SCACPA Litigation Conf., Litigation Ethics (Kiawah Island, SC), Sept. 21, 2007; S.C. Circuit Court Judges, May 17, 2007, Practice Tips in Civil Litigation; Energy & Mineral Law Foundation, May 15, 2007, Panel Member, Legal Ethics, 2 hr.; S.C. Government Investigators, Ethical Duties of Investigators, Feb. 23, 2007; S.C. Bar, Employment Law Section, Ethics Update, Jan. 26, 2007; S.C. Association of Counties, Ethics Update, Dec. 8, 2006; Lexington County Bar Ass'n, Ethics Update, Dec. 6, 2006; Richland County Bar, Ethics Update, Nov. 3, 2006; S.C. State Government Lawyers, Ethics Update, Nov. 3, 2006; S.C. Judicial Merit Selection Commission, Overview of Judicial Ethics, Sept. 14, 2006 (½ hr.); Federal Bar Ass'n, SC Bar, Ethics and Professionalism, Sept. 8, 2006; Commercial Law League of America, Avoiding Grievances and Malpractice Worries in Your Practice, July 6, 2006, Asheville, N.C. (2 hours); National Structured Settlement Trade Ass'n, Ethics in Litigation, Westin Rio Mar, Puerto Rico, May 9, 2006; S.C. Chamber of Commerce, Legal Ethics for the Employment Lawyer, Hilton Head, S.C., May 6, 2006; American Ass'n Matrimonial Lawyers, Ethic Lecture, Los Cabos, Mexico, March 11, 2006; SC Bar, Legal Ethics for Health Care Providers, Jan. 28, 2006; S.C. Association of Counties, Ethics Update, Dec. 9, 2005; SCTLA, Making Money Out of Discovery Abuse, Dec. 2, 2005, Atlanta; Ass'n of S.C. Claimants Attorneys for Workers Compensation, Ethics Seminar, Nov. 4, 2005, Asheville; S.C. Bar, Ethics in Masters Court, Oct. 14, 2005; N.C. Bar-S.C. Bar Construction Law Ethics Program, Asheville, Oct. 1, 2005; S. C. Bar, Unauthorized Practice Problems in Probate Court, Sept. 16, 2005; Greenville County Solicitor's Office, Prosecutorial Ethics, May 9, 2005; Mass Tort Seminar, NYC, Discovery Abuse Issues, March 18, 2005; S.C. Ass'n of Counties, Legal Ethics, Dec. 10, 2004; Federal Bar Ass'n, S.C., Ethics CLE, Dec. 10, 2004 ½ hr.; S.C. Bar Construction Law Section, Ethics CLE on the new Oath; Dec. 3, 2004; NASAA, Salt Lake City, Legal Ethics for Securities Enforcement Lawyers, Dec. 4, 2004; DSS Ethics Training, Dec. 3, 2004; (2-hr. lecture); PIABA, Ethics for Securities Lawyers, and Comments on the Mutual Fund Mess, Oct. 20, 2004 (2 hrs.); Commercial Law League of America, Southern Region Members' Ass'n, Ethical Issues in Commercial Law, Oct. 1, 2004; S.C. Bar, Annual Probate Bench/Bar, Ethics in Probate Court, Sept. 17, 2004; Charleston Bar Ass'n, Lawyer's Oath Seminar, August 27, 2004; S.C. Government Lawyers, Legal Ethics for Government Attorneys, August 20, 2004; S.C. Judiciary, Judicial Ethics Lecture, August 19, 2004; S.C. Bar, Accounting for Non-tax Lawyers, May 2, 2004; Palmetto Land Title Ass'n, Ethics for Closing Attorneys, April, 24, 2004; Richardson, Patrick Law Firm, CLE on Legal

Issues Concerning the Mutual Fund Mess, March 26, 2004; S.C. Bar, An Update on Ethical Considerations for the Guardian, March 5, 2004; S.C. Prof. Society on the Abuse of Children, Ethics and Child Abuse, Feb. 26, 2004; National Ass'n of State Boards of Accountancy, Professionalism, Accountability and the Accounting Profession, Feb. 9, 2004; Fidelity Nat'l Title, Ethical Duties of Closing Attorneys, Feb. 5, 2004; S.C. Bar, Annual Convention, Ethical Issues in Handling the Appeal, Jan. 22, 2004 (co-presenter). American Ass'n Matrimonial Lawyers, Ethic Lecture, Los Cabos, Mexico, March 11, 2006; SC Bar, Legal Ethics for Health Care Providers, Jan. 28, 2006; S.C. Association of Counties, Ethics Update, Dec. 9, 2005; SCTLTA, Making Money Out of Discovery Abuse, Dec. 2, 2005, Atlanta; Ass'n of S.C. Claimants Attorneys for Workers Compensation, Ethics Seminar, Nov. 4, 2005, Asheville; S.C. Bar, Ethics in Masters Court, Oct. 14, 2005; N.C. Bar-S.C. Bar Construction Law Ethics Program, Asheville, Oct. 1, 2005; S. C. Bar, Unauthorized Practice Problems in Probate Court, Sept. 16, 2005; Greenville County Solicitor's Office, Prosecutorial Ethics, May 9, 2005; Mass Tort Seminar, NYC, Discovery Abuse Issues, March 18, 2005; S.C. Ass'n of Counties, Legal Ethics, Dec. 10, 2004; Federal Bar Ass'n, S.C., Ethics CLE, Dec. 10, 2004 ½ hr.; S.C. Bar Construction Law Section, Ethics CLE on the new Oath; Dec. 3, 2004; NASAA, Salt Lake City, Legal Ethics for Securities Enforcement Lawyers, Dec. 4, 2004; DSS Ethics Training, Dec. 3, 2004; (2-hr. lecture); PIABA, Ethics for Securities Lawyers, and Comments on the Mutual Fund Mess, Oct. 20, 2004 (2 hrs.); Commercial Law League of America, Southern Region Members' Ass'n, Ethical Issues in Commercial Law, Oct. 1, 2004; S.C. Bar, Annual Probate Bench/Bar, Ethics in Probate Court, Sept. 17, 2004; Charleston Bar Ass'n, Lawyer's Oath Seminar, August 27, 2004; S.C. Government Lawyers, Legal Ethics for Government Attorneys, August 20, 2004; S.C. Judiciary, Judicial Ethics Lecture, August 19, 2004; S.C. Bar, Accounting for Non-tax Lawyers, May 2, 2004; Palmetto Land Title Ass'n, Ethics for Closing Attorneys, April, 24, 2004; Richardson, Patrick Law Firm, CLE on Legal Issues Concerning the Mutual Fund Mess, March 26, 2004; S.C. Bar, An Update on Ethical Considerations for the Guardian, March 5, 2004; S.C. Prof. Society on the Abuse of Children, Ethics and Child Abuse, Feb. 26, 2004; National Ass'n of State Boards of Accountancy, Professionalism, Accountability and the Accounting Profession, Feb. 9, 2004; Fidelity Nat'l Title, Ethical Duties of Closing Attorneys, Feb. 5, 2004; S.C. Bar, Annual Convention, Ethical Issues in Handling the Appeal, Jan. 22, 2004 (co-presenter).

Member, ABA Section of Business Law Task Force on Legal Opinions

Participant in Conference on Legal Opinions at Silverado, California, May 31-June 3 (1989).

University and Community Service

Author, Report on Tax Sheltered Annuities to USC Faculty and Staff (1976).

Faculty Senate (1996-98)

University Committees

Promotion and Tenure

Faculty Welfare

Annuities and Insurance  
Budget Committee

Law School Committees  
Faculty Selection  
Academic Standing (currently serving)  
Minority Student Affairs  
Executive Committee  
Dean Evaluation Committee  
Dean Search Committee

Chairman, Supreme Court Commission on Continuing Lawyer Competence (1980-83)

President, Leaphart Elementary School PTO (1983)  
Chairman, Irmo Middle School School Improvement Council (1985)  
Member, Irmo Middle School School Improvement Council (1985-89),  
President, Irmo High School Parent, Teacher, Student Association (1988-89, 1992-93) Member  
Executive Board (1988-93)  
Member, Irmo High School-School Improvement Council (1988-93)  
Founder and Past-president, University of Notre Dame Club of South Carolina  
Lexington District Five and South Carolina State School Volunteer of the Year 1993