

RONALD MASON

Education

COLUMBIA SCHOOL OF LAW, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

Juris Doctor (J.D.) , 1977

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

B.A. History , 1974

HARVARD INSTITUTE OF EDUCATIONAL MANAGEMENT

1987

Professional Experience

SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY AND A & M COLLEGE SYSTEM

President

2010 – Present

JACKSON STATE UNIVERSITY

President

2000 – 2010

TULANE UNIVERSITY

Founder and Executive Director, National Center for Urban
Community at Tulane and Xavier Universities (1998 – 2000)

1982 – 2000

Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary
(1990- 1998)

Vice President for Finance and Operations, General Counsel and Corporate
Secretary (1987 - 1990)

General Counsel and Corporate Secretary (1985 - 1987)

University Attorney and Corporate Secretary (1982 - 1985)

PRIVATE LEGAL PRACTICE

1981 – 1982

SOUTHERN COOPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT FUND

Executive Counsel (1979-1981)

House Counsel (1977-1979)

1977 – 1981

Educational Leadership

EDUCATIONAL TESTING SERVICE, HBCU ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Chairman

Member

Member

2014 – Present

2013 – Present

2004 – 2011

AMERICAN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA

Member, Board of Directors

Member, Finance Committee

2011 - Present

PRESIDENT'S BOARD OF ADVISORS FOR HBCUs

Member

2010 - Present

2000 – 2004

<u>THURGOOD MARSHALL COLLEGE FUND</u> Member, Board of Directors Member, Strategic Planning Committee Member, Audit Committee	2004 – Present
<u>COUNCIL FOR AID TO EDUCATION</u> Member, Board of Directors	2008 - Present
<u>INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR EDUCATION AND SELF HELP</u> Member, Board of Directors Member, Audit and Finance Committee	2011 - 2014
<u>NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR EQUAL OPPORTUNITY IN HIGHER EDUCATION</u> Member, Board of Directors Chairperson, Finance Committee	2006 – 2013
<u>GATES AMERICAN DREAM 2.0 COALITION</u> Member	2012
<u>SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING ALLIANCE</u> Member, Board of Directors Chairman, Board of Directors	2004 – 2010 2004 – 2008
<u>MISSISSIPPI e-CENTER FOUNDATION</u> Founder Chairman, Board of Directors	2003 – 2010
<u>QUALITY EDUCATION FOR MINORITIES</u> Member, Board of Directors	2003 – 2010
<u>COMMISSION ON THE FUTURE OF GRADUATE EDUCATION</u> Member	2010
<u>SOUTHWESTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE</u> President, Council of Presidents and Chancellors	2007– 2009
<u>JACKSON MEDICAL MALL FOUNDATION</u> Member, Board of Directors	2000 – 2008
<u>NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION, EDUCATION AND HUMAN RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE</u> Member	2005 - 2007
<u>NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON INSTITUTIONAL QUALITY AND INTEGRITY, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, OFFICE OF POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION</u> Member	2002 – 2005
<u>AMERICAN COUNCIL ON EDUCATION</u> Member, Board of Directors	2003 – 2005

Selected Grants

<u>FIVE-FIFTHS AGENDA FOR AMERICA (IMPLEMENTATION)</u> Kellogg Foundation - \$450,000	2013
<u>FIVE FIFTHS AGENDA FOR AMERICA (PLANNING)</u> Educational Testing Service - \$50,000 Kellogg Foundation - \$100,000 Kresge Foundation - \$75,000 Lumina Foundation - \$50,000 Open Society Foundation - \$100,000	2011 -2012
<u>MISSISSIPPI LEARNING INSTITUTE</u> U. S. Department of Education – \$5m Barksdale Reading Institute – \$5m	2002 – 2008
<u>TULANE - XAVIER CAMPUS AFFILIATES PROGRAM</u> U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development – \$12m	1996 – 2000
<u>FORD FOUNDATION DIVERSITY INITIATIVE – \$150,000</u>	1991 - 1994

Public Service

BATON ROUGE AREA CHAMBER Member, Board of Directors	2010 - Present
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT/ CITY OF NEW ORLEANS Federal Executive Monitor - New Orleans Housing Authority	1996 – 2000
<u>CITY OF NEW ORLEANS EMPOWERMENT ZONE APPLICATION</u> Co-Team Leader (1998) Coordinator (1994)	1994 and 1998
<u>NEW ORLEANS PUBLIC SCHOOLS REDISTRICTING TASK FORCE</u> Chairperson	1990

Honors and Awards

<u>MAYES JOHNSON AWARD</u> National Association for Equal Opportunity in Education	2009
<u>EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR</u> Thurgood Marshall College Fund	2008
<u>ALUMNUS OF YEAR</u> Columbia College, Columbia University	2008
<u>MARTIN LUTHER KING LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD:</u> Dillard, Loyola, Tulane and Xavier Universities	2000

<u>MAYOR'S MEDAL OF HONOR</u> City of New Orleans	1999
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<u>CITIZENSHIP AWARD</u> Louisiana Bureau of Governmental Research	1998
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Publications

"ENHANCING HIGHER LEARNING THROUGH ENGAGEMENT IN COMMUNITY AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT" Journal of Higher Education Outreach and Engagement	2007
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"THE FUNKY REVOLUTIONARY MIND, BODY AND SPIRIT WORKOUT"	2006
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"RACISM AND DIVERSITY AT SELECTIVE SOUTHERN INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION" Study for the Ford Foundation	1987
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***International
Experience***

KENYA, TANZANIA, SOUTH AFRICA, CHINA, TAIWAN, NIGERIA
RUSSIA, POLAND, CZECHOSLOVAKIA, NICARAGUA, INDIA