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VERNON NATHANIEL HANSFORD COLLECTION
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Collection Size: 1 cubic foot

Description: The Vernon Nathaniel Hansford Collection is comprised of one cubic foot of materials that detail the professional life of Dean Vernon Nathaniel Hansford. A native of Georgia, Hansford received his LL.B. in 1968 from the University of Georgia School of Law. After practicing law from 1973 to 1975, Hansford joined the University of Alabama School of Law faculty in 1975. During his time at the Law School he served in various positions; law school dean (1987-93), vice dean (1982-86), and acting director of Continuing Legal Education while continuing to teach. He stepped down as dean in 1993, but continued to work at the School of Law until his departure in 1997. The collection includes various articles, letters, news clippings, and plaques that commemorate some of his achievements as both as respected author and educator over the span of thirty-six years.

Box 1:

File 1: Letter from U.S. Representative Claude Harris 1987

- Letter sent on September 23, 1987 from U.S. Representative Claude Harris (1940-1994) to acting Dean Hansford containing materials regarding the Judicial Fellow Program administered by the U.S. Supreme Court. The letter was stamped received on September 28, 1987.

File 2: Biographical/Bibliographical Information 1986-1993

- Copy of an excerpt of a biography
- Biographical Sketch (3 copies)
- Bibliography, two pages (2 copies)
- Bibliography with handwritten note attached
- Copy of an article, "UA Law Studies, Honor Black," published in *The Column*, March 26, 1986
- Copy of article, "Four Professorships Awarded at Law School," published in the *Birmingham News*, April 3, 1987
- Résumé, seven pages, dated June 1988 (2 complete copies)
- Copy of article written in *Dialogue*, April 6, 1987 "Law School Confers Four Professorships."
- Copy of article published by the *Tuscaloosa News*, April 10, 1988 "Acting UA Law Dean named to Direct School." (2 copies)
- Copy of article published by the *Tuscaloosa News*, April 11, 1988 "Good choice for Dean."
- Clippings of original newspaper article, April 11, 1988, *The Tuscaloosa News*
- Copy of article published in the *Birmingham News*, May 1, 1988. "New Dean of UA Law School 'one of best teachers' ever" (3 copies)
- Copy of article in *Tuscaloosa News*, August 15, 1989 "Law Students to be 'smarter' this year."
- Copy of article published in the *Moulton Adviser*, November 30, 1989. "Proctor attends Institute."
- Copy of article, *Tuscaloosa News*, July 27, 1993 "Hansford to Step Down as UA Law Dean."

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- Pamphlet, Resolution by the University of Alabama Law School Foundation, signed by acting Dean, Kenneth C. Randall, President of the University of Alabama Law School Foundation, Ben H. Harris Jr., and Secretary of the University of Alabama Law School Foundation, Camille Wright Cook

File 3: Research and Publications 1983-1987

- *Uniform and Commercial Code Law Journal*, Summer 1983 v.16 No.1
- *Cumberland Law Review* 1985-1986 v.16 No.1
- *University of Richmond Law Review*, Winter 1986 v.20 No.2
- Alabama Law Institute *Alabama Fraudulent Transfer Act*. January 1987
- Bender's Uniform Commercial Code Service v.1B-*Secured Transactions under the Uniform Commercial Code* 1987
 - Chapter 10 "The Rights of Secured and Priority Creditors When A Bank Fails," by Dean Nathaniel Hansford

File 4: Research and Publications 1975-1996

- *Georgia Law Review*, Spring 1975 v.9 No.3
- Alabama Law Institute *Alabama Trademark Act with Commentary*, January 17, 1977
- Alabama Law Institute *Proposed Revision with Commentary*, June 1979
- *Alabama Law Review*, Spring 1983 v.34 No.2
- *Uniform Commercial Code Law Journal*, Spring 1996

File 5: Report 1999

- Sabbatical Report Spring Semester, May 1999

File 6: Original Document 1963

- Original Document establishing the University of Alabama Law School Chapter of the Auburn University Alumni Association on November 27, 1963. Signed by twenty members.

File 7: Certificate Award 1975

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- Certificate awarded from the University of Alabama to Dean Nathaniel Hansford on August 16, 1975 recognizing 15 years of service.

Item 1: Plaque 1976

- Plaque presented to Vernon Nathaniel Hansford for membership on the Farrah Law Society, June 1976

Item 2: Plaque 1987

- Alabama Bar Institute Continuing Legal Education 1987, includes a photograph of Hansford

Item 3: Plaque 1998

- Presented to professor Hansford for Outstanding Service to the Volunteer Lawyers Program 1998