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Frank S. Alexander is the Sam Nunn Professor of Law at Emory University School of Law, where he was the Founding Director of the Center for the Study of Law and Religion. He has served as co-founder and senior legal advisor of the *Center for Community Progress* (2009-2013), as Interim Dean of the Law School (2005-2006), and as Visiting Fellow at the Joint Center for Housing Studies, Harvard University (2007). His courses include Property, Real Estate Finance, State and Local Government Law, Law and Theology, and Federal Housing Policies. The author of over fifty publications in the fields of real estate finance, law and theology, and community development, some of his recent publications include *GEORGIA REAL ESTATE FINANCE AND FORECLOSURE LAW 2013-2014* (8th ed. 2013); *LAND BANKS AND LAND BANKING* (2011), *Legislative Responses to the Foreclosure Crisis in Nonjudicial States* (co-author, 2012), *Neighborhood Stabilization Strategies for Vacant and Abandoned Properties* (2011), *Land Banking As Metropolitan Policy* (2008); *Louisiana Land Reform in the Storms' Aftermath* (2008); *CHRISTIANITY AND HUMAN RIGHTS: AN INTRODUCTION* (Cambridge Univ. Press 2010) (with John Witte, Jr.); and *CHRISTIANITY AND LAW: AN INTRODUCTION* (2008, with John Witte, Jr.).

Recipient of the Emory University Thomas Jefferson Award (2006), the Crystal Apple Award for Excellence in Professional School Teaching (2005), the Student Bar Association Award for Most Outstanding Professor (2010, 2004), the Laura Jones Hardman Crystal Apple Award for Excellence in Teaching and Service (2001), the Ben F. Johnson Faculty Excellence Award (1998), and the Emory Williams Award for Distinguished Teaching in Professional Education (1991), Professor Alexander was selected eight times as the Professor Who Best Exemplifies the Ideals of the Legal Profession by the Emory Student Bar Association.

Founder of Emory University's Law and Religion Program in 1982, Professor Alexander's work in recent years has focused on community development and affordable housing. From 1993 to 1996, he served as a Fellow of the Carter Center of Emory University, specializing in neighborhood redevelopment activities and low-income housing in conjunction with The Atlanta Project. He served as a Commissioner of the State Housing Trust Fund for the Homeless from 1994-98. In May, 2008 he testified before Congressional subcommittees on the Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008, and in November, 2009 on strategies to address the mortgage foreclosure crisis.

Professor Alexander is past Chairman of Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Greater Atlanta, a non-profit community service agency providing consumer credit counseling, and of Community Friendship, Inc., a non-profit psycho-social rehabilitation program for the chronically mentally ill. He is the recipient of The George A. Pindar Award, Real Property Law Section, State Bar of Georgia (2006), the Inspiration Award for Outstanding Leadership in the Public Interest, Emory Public Interest Committee (EPIC) (2002), the Outstanding Service Award of the Atlanta Legal Aid Society (1996), the Georgia Affordable Housing Award for Individual Initiatives (1995), and the Citizen's Award for Outstanding Service from the Fulton County/City of Atlanta Land Bank Authority (1995).

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