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**Environmental and Academic Experience:**

- July 2020-present, Robert C. Cudd Professor in Environmental Law and Research Professor, Tulane Law School. Courses taught: Water Resources Law and Policy Natural Resources Law and Introduction to Environmental Law and Policy.
- July 2022-present, Director of Master of Jurisprudence in Environmental and Energy Law program, Tulane Law School.
- August 2018-present, Director of the Tulane Center for Environmental Law.
- January 2007 – present, Tulane Institute on Water Resources Law and Policy; Director, January 2007-June 2023.
- March 2019-July 2021, Eugenie Schwartz Professor of River and Coastal Studies, Tulane University
- January 2007- June 2020 Senior Research Fellow, Director of the Tulane Institute on Water Resources Law and Policy and Adjunct Professor of Law, Tulane University Law School, New Orleans, LA. Courses taught: Water Resources Law and Policy, LLM Seminar on Energy and Environmental Law and Policy.
- July 1, 2017-July 2021, Director of the ByWater Institute at Tulane University.
- September 2018-present, Stone Center for Latin American Studies, Tulane University, Affiliated Faculty.
- July 2017-August 2020, Tulane University Research Council, member.

- Fall Term 2009-present, Occasional Adjunct Lecturer of Law, Loyola University Law School of Law, New Orleans LA. Course taught: Natural Resources Law.
- December 1992-2007, Executive Director, Coalition to Restore Coastal Louisiana. Baton Rouge, LA. The Coalition is the principal catalytic and public oversight organization dealing with the restoration and stewardship of coastal Louisiana, a place that has seen the loss of over a million and a half acres of wetlands and barrier shorelines since 1900.
- 1991-92, General Counsel, Lake Pontchartrain Basin Foundation, Metairie, LA. The Foundation is the leading nonprofit advocacy and educational organization focused on the environmental health of the Pontchartrain Basin in Southeastern Louisiana.
- 1989-1990, Adjunct Professor of Law, IIT-Chicago Kent School of Law. Courses taught: Business Planning and Tax-exempt Organizations.
- 1980, Adjunct Professor of Business Law, Indiana University School of Business, Indianapolis, IN. Courses taught: Business Law.

**Legal Experience:**

- Associate Attorney, Adams, Duque and Hazeltine (Washington, DC) 1981-1984
- Associate Attorney, Schwartz and Freeman (Chicago, IL) 1984-1987
- Associate Attorney, Tishler & Wald, Ltd. (Chicago, IL) 1988-1991

**Education:**

- BS, Indiana University (1976)
- JD, Indiana University (cum laude 1979)
- MLT, Georgetown University (1983)

**Publications and Papers:**

- Mark Davis, “On the Horns of a Dilemma: Climate Adaptation and the Legal Profession, University of Richmond Public Interest Law Review, Vol 25, No. 3 (2022).

- Mark Davis, “The Coast: Federal and State Relations in the Midst of a Crisis” included as chapter 8 in “The Party is Over: The New Louisiana Politics”, LSU Press, Edited by Pearson Cross and Christie L. Maloyed. 2021. 13 pages.
- Mark Davis, Morris Foster, James O’Donnell, Mark Luckenbach, Elizabeth Andrews, Emily Steinhilber, and John Wells, Institutionalizing Resilience in U.S. Universities: Prospects, Opportunities, and Models, Volume 52, Number 2, March/April 2018. 5 pages.
- Katherine Van Marter, N. Dean Boyer, and Mark Davis, “*Insurability of Coastal Communities: Financing Options for Coastal Protection and Restoration in Louisiana*”. This part of a continuing series of white papers published by the Tulane Institute on Water Resources Law and Policy, February 2018. 14 pages.
- Mark Davis and Christopher Dalbom, “*Taken by Storm*”, published in Tulane Environmental Law Journal Volume 29, Issue 2, Summer 2017. 14 pages.
- Mark Davis and Nolen D. Boyer, “*Financing the Future III: Financing Options for Coastal Protection and Restoration in Louisiana,*” This is an issue paper published by the Tulane Institute on Water Resources Law and Policy released January 18, 2017. 49 pages.
- Mark Davis and John M. Barry, “*Doubling Down: Getting to Resilience in New Orleans*”. Published as chapter 7 of *The State of Black New Orleans: 10 Years Post Katrina* by the Urban League of Greater New Orleans, August 2015, in commemoration of the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Hurricane Katrina. 6 pages.
- Mark Davis and Nolen D. Boyer, “*Financing the Future, Turning Coastal Restoration and Protection Plans into Realities: How Much is Currently Funded?*”. This is an issue paper published by the Tulane Institute on Water Resources Law and Policy released November 5, 2015. 25 pages.
- Mark Davis and Christopher Dalbom, *The Trust Abides*, National Wetlands Newsletter, July/August 2015, page 18 (published by the Environmental Law Institute).
- Mark Davis, Harry Vorhoff, and John Driscoll, *Financing the Future: Turning Coastal Restoration and Protection Plans into Realities*. This is an issue paper published by the Tulane Institute on Water Resources Law and Policy released August 18, (2014). 7 pages.

- Mark Davis, *At the Borders—The New Horizons of Water Management and Water Law*, Indiana International and Comparative Law Review, Vol. 24, No. 1. (2014).
- Mark Davis, *With All Due Respect: The Role of Wetlands in a Future Shaped by Climate Change*, National Wetlands Newsletter, Environmental Law Institute, Vol. 35, No. 4, July/August 2013.
- Mark Davis and Michael Pappas, *Escaping the Sporthase Maze: Protecting State Waters Within the Commerce Clause*, Louisiana Law Review, Vol. 73, Issue 1, (2012). Recipient of the American Agricultural Law Association’s Professional Scholarship Award for 2013.
- Mark Davis, *Multi-State Compacts and Regional Water Management*, paper presented at the America’s Great Watershed Initiative conference, St. Louis, MO, (August 2012).
- Mark Davis, *Lessons Unlearned: The Legal and Policy Legacy of the BP Deep Water Horizon Spill*, Journal of Energy, Climate, and the Environment, Washington and Lee Law School, Vol. 3, Issue 2, (2012).
- Mark Davis and James Wilkins, *A Defining Resource: Louisiana’s Place in the Coming Water Economy*, Loyola (New Orleans) Law Review, Vol. 57 (2011).
- Mark Davis, “Coastal Restoration and Protection and the Future of New Orleans”, Chapter 12, *Resilience and Opportunity: Lessons from the U.S. Gulf Coast after Katrina and Rita*, Amy Liu, Roland V. Anglin, Richard M. Mizelle, and Allison Plyer, Editors, Brookings Institution Press, Washington DC (2011).
- Mark Davis, *To the Heart of the Matter: Coastal Restoration and the Future of New Orleans*. Published by the Brookings Institution and the New Orleans Community Data Center as part of their New Orleans at Five project, August 2010.
- Mark Davis, *Changing Currents: Perspectives on the State of Water Law and Policy in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century—Introduction*, Tulane Environmental Law Journal, Vol. 23, Issue 2 (2010)
- Mark Davis *Security, Resilience and Opportunity: Planning For Water in Louisiana: An Issue Paper of the Tulane Institute on Water Resources Law and Policy*, January 28, 2010
- Mark Davis, *Preparing for Apportionment: Lessons from the Catawba River*, Sea Grant Journal of Law and Policy, Vol. 2.1 (June 2009).

- Mark Davis with Ronald G. Gouget, David W. Chambers, Larry F. Champagne, William Desvougues, Judi L. Durda, William H. Hyatt, Jr., Rachel Jacobsen, Larry Kapustka, and Rose M. Longoria, *Effective Coordination and Cooperation Between Ecological Risk Assessments and Natural Resource Damage Assessments: A New Synthesis*, Society of Toxicology and Chemistry Integrated Environmental Assessment and Management, (October 2009).
- Mark Davis, *A Toe in the Water: A Primer on Louisiana Riparian Law and Emerging Issues.*, 59<sup>th</sup> Mineral Law Institute, Louisiana State University Law Center, (October 2009).
- Mark Davis, *To What End: Resilience, Tradeoffs, and the Lessons of Katrina*, *Journal of Contemporary Water Research and Education*, Universities Council on Water Resources, Issue 141, March 2009.
- Mark Davis, *Not by Accident*, *The American Prospect*, March 2009.
- Mark Davis, *It's a Whole New Ballgame: Coastal Restoration, Storm Protection and the Legal Landscape after Katrina*, *Louisiana Law Review*, Volume 68, Issue 2, 2008.
- Mark Davis with Rod Emmer, James Wilkins, Lisa Schiavianato, and Michael Wascom, *Hazard Mitigation and Land Use Planning in Coastal Louisiana: Recommendations for the Future*, published by Louisiana Sea Grant Program, December 2007.
- Mark Davis, *Community Organizations Can Make the Process Work*, *Environmental Forum*, published by Environmental Law Institute, , Vol .26 no. 3. (May-June 2004)
- Mark Davis, *Tides and Titles in Louisiana's Coastal Zone: The Role of Louisiana's Public Trust Doctrine in the Ownership and Development of Waterways, Marshes and Tidelands*, published by Louisiana Urban Technical Center, College of Urban and Public Affairs, University of New Orleans, January 1993.

### **Boards, Commissions and Other Activities:**

- Louisiana Governor's Advisory Commission on Coastal Protection, Restoration, and Conservation (Academic Community Representative) October 26, 2018- October 25, 2022.
- Louisiana 2017 Coastal Master State Steering Committee (designee of the Louisiana State Law Institute) (former)

- RESTORE Act Center of Excellence Technical Working Group, designated Tulane member for regulatory policy issues
- Louisiana State Law Institute Water Code Committee, member/reporter
- Louisiana Water Resources Commission, member
- Louisiana State Law Institute Committee on Water Law, member
- Louisiana Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority Legal and Policy Working Group, member
- Louisiana Governor's Advisory Commission on Coastal Protection, Restoration, and Conservation Innovative Funding Committee, member
- City of New Orleans, Mayor's Environmental Advisory Board, member
- America's Wetland Foundation, board member (former)
- Land Trust for Louisiana, board member (former)
- Trust for Coastal Stewardship, board member and president (former)
- LSU Sea Grant Legal Program Advisory Committee
- School of the Coast and Environment Advisory Committee, Louisiana State University, member
- Coalition to Restore Coastal Louisiana Advisory Committee, member
- Transition Team for New Orleans Mayor-elect LaToya Cantrell (2018), member of Urban Water Plan Subcommittee
- Transition Team for New Orleans Mayor-elect Mitch Landrieu (2010), Vice Chair of Transition Team on Coastal Restoration and Flood Protection (former)
- Transition Team for Louisiana Governor-elect Mike Foster, Member of Transition Team on the Environment (former)
- Transition Team for Louisiana Governor-elect Kathleen Babineaux Blanco, Member of Transition Team on the Environment (former)
- Greater New Orleans Foundation, Environmental Advisory Board (former)
- Governor's Advisory Board on Environmental Quality (former)
- Minerals Management Service Outer Continental Shelf Policy Committee (former)
- Louisiana Mineral Board Advisory Committee (former)
- Louisiana Law Institute, Committee on Rights of Access to Navigable Waters and Waterbottoms (former)
- Governor's Task Force on Water Policy (former)
- Louisiana Governor's Advisory Commission on Coastal Restoration and Conservation (former)
- Gulf Restoration Network, Board Member (former)
- Restore America's Estuaries, Board Member (former)
- Friends of A Studio in the Woods, board member (former)

**Professional Affiliations:**

Member of the bar in Indiana, District of Columbia, Illinois, and Louisiana

**Distinctions:**

- 1993, Environmental Excellence Award, awarded by the United States Environmental Protection Agency to the Coalition to Restore Coastal Louisiana, Mark Davis executive director.
- 1998, Conservation Organization of the Year, awarded by National Wildlife Federation and Louisiana Wildlife Federation to the Coalition to Restore Coastal Louisiana, Mark Davis executive director.
- 1998, Environmental Hero Award, awarded by United States Department of Commerce.
- 2006, Legend of Louisiana Award, given by the Louisiana Environmental Action Network.
- 2011, Leader in Law Award (Academic), awarded by New Orleans CityBusiness newspaper.
- 2011, Green Giant Award, given annually by the New Orleans Green Project.
- 2013, Monte M. Lemann Award for Distinguished Teaching, awarded by the graduating class of Tulane Law School
- 2013 Co-recipient with Prof. Michael Pappas of the American Agricultural Law Association's Professional Scholarship Award for *Escaping the Sporhase Maze: Protecting State Waters Within the Commerce Clause*, Louisiana Law Review, Vol. 73, Issue 1, (2012).
- 2019, Leader in Law Award (Academic), awarded by New Orleans CityBusiness newspaper.