

# DAVID C. HARDESTY, JR.

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## President Emeritus and Professor of Law West Virginia University

### Professor of Law

**Current courses:** Lawyers as Leaders (leadership theory and skills for lawyers) and Trends in the Legal Profession (seminar). **Courses previously taught:** Legislative Process (survey course relating to enactment and interpretation of legislation); The Legal Profession and Professional Responsibility (legal ethics and the law governing lawyers); Lawyers and the Legislative Process (bill drafting seminar); and Law Practice Management (simulation course).

**Faculty Committee Assignments:** Enrollment Management Committee (current); Academic Planning Committee (current); Promotion and Tenure Committee (2013-2014); Search Committee for Associate Dean for Administration (Chair, 2011-12); Search Committee, Assistant Dean for Development (2012); Committee on Standards for Teaching Professorships (2013); Small Group Advisor for First Year Students (2013, Class of 2016).

### President of West Virginia University (1995-2007)

President and Chief Executive Officer of the institution (which, with its affiliates, enrolled approximately 35,000 students, and had a consolidated budget approaching \$1.5 billion in 2007).

WVU is a public, “land-grant,” comprehensive university designated as a “research university-high research activity” by the Carnegie Foundation, with comprehensive health sciences. Its offerings include 180 separate programs, including terminal and professional degrees. The main campus, located in Morgantown, West Virginia, enrolls approximately 30,000 students from 50 states and 100 countries.

The WVU President also serves as chair of the boards of WVU Hospitals, Inc., WV United Health System, Inc., and the WVU Research Corporation, and as a member of the boards of the WVU Alumni Association and the WVU Foundation, Inc.

**Bowes Rice, LLP (1973-1977, 1981-1995)**  
**Currently, Of Counsel**

Areas of emphasis while in active practice included administrative law, corporate law, bank regulation, and state and local taxation. Duties included leading the corporate and business law section and acting as marketing and professional development chair. Clients included both for-profit and not-for-profit corporations and associations.

The firm is headquartered in Charleston, West Virginia and its lawyers are licensed to practice in West Virginia, Kentucky, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia, and Ohio.

**State Tax Commissioner of West Virginia (WV) (1977-1980)**

Served as State Tax Commissioner of West Virginia pursuant to appointment by Governor John D. Rockefeller IV; agency head of the WV State Tax Department, reported directly to the governor, supervised and managed the collection of taxes, performed analysis of revenues, developed state tax policy for the state, estimated revenue collections for major taxes, acted as Chief Inspector of Public Offices (county and local officials), and served on the Board of the WV Economic Development Authority and as chair of the Municipal Bond Commission.

**Professional, Educational and Civic Activities**

(Current, unless otherwise indicated)

**Related to the Legal Profession**

American Bar Association, Member

American Bar Foundation, Lifetime Fellow

Bowles Rice LLP, Of Counsel

Commission on the Future of the West Virginia Judicial System,  
Chair (1997-1998)

Federal Magistrate Merit Panel Selection Committee, N.D.W.V., Member (2005)

Fourth Circuit Judicial Conference, Permanent Member

National Association of College and University Attorneys (2000-2007)

NCAA Ad Hoc Committee on the Use of Mandatory Arbitration  
and Mediation (2006)

Instructor for numerous Continuing Legal Education Seminars hosted by various organizations (1974-present)

United Methodist Church, Chancellor (General Counsel) (1986-1995)

WV Law Institute, Director (2007-2011)

West Virginia State Bar Association, Member

West Virginia State Bar, Member

West Virginia Bar Foundation, Lifetime Member

West Virginia State Tax Study Commission, Chair (1981-1983)

### **Service Related to WVU Presidency and Education**

#### **National Boards and Association Memberships**

American Council on Education, Member (1995-2007)

Blanchette Rockefeller Neurosciences Institute (an independent research institute located on the campus of WVU), Founding Member, Board of Directors (1999-2007)

Bowl Championship Series (BCS), Presidential Oversight Committee, Big East Conference Representative (2003-2006)

National Association of State Universities and Land Grant Colleges Presidents' Council (1995-2007); former Member, Eco-terrorism Working Group; former Member, Millennium Partnership Initiative (IT) Working Group

National Security Higher Education Advisory Board, Member (Appointed by the Director of the FBI to a board of 16 university presidents to act as a liaison between the national intelligence community and higher education in the United States; security clearance granted during service) (2005-2007); Member, Task Force on Employment, Recruitment, Internships and Related Issues

National 4-H Council Board of Trustees, Member (2000-2007)

Former Chair of the Board

Member, Executive Committee

Former Member, Strategic Planning Committee

NCAA Ad Hoc Committee (on the use of mandatory arbitration and mediation, 2005)

NCAA Task Force on the Future of Intercollegiate Athletics (2005-2006)

NCAA WVU Accreditation Steering Committee (2008)

NCAA Accreditation Team, Chair (University of Arizona 2007)

### **Service related to West Virginia University**

Center for the Advancement of Leadership Skills, Council of State Governments, WVU meeting 2009, Planning Committee, Presenter

Rhodes Scholarship Selection Committee, State of West Virginia (1980-1998);  
Rhodes Scholarship Regional Committee (1998-1999)

University System of West Virginia Board of Trustees  
(Appointed by Governor, Member, Founding Chair) (1989-1995)

West Virginia Education Policy Task Force, Chair  
(Appointed by Governor) (1979)

West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission Master Plan Task Force,  
Member (2006-2007)

WVU Board of Advisors (Member, Chair) (1983-1989)

WVU College of Law Development Council (1979-1981)

WVU NCAA Accreditation Steering Committee (2008-2009), Member

WVU Presidential Search Committee (1985)

WVU Robert C. Byrd Health Sciences Center, Community Advisory Board of the

WV Clinical Translational Science Institute (NIH grant) (2009-2010)

### **Other Civic and Corporate Boards and Associations**

#### **Civic and Charitable**

Greater Kanawha Valley Foundation, Charleston, West Virginia (Community  
Foundation), (Member, Chair, 1983-1989)

United Methodist Charities of West Virginia, (Member, Chair, 1978-1994)

West Virginia Wesleyan College, Board of Trustees (1986-1994)

## **Business and Economic Development**

West Virginia High Tech Consortium Foundation Board of Directors (1998-2002)  
Consol Energy, Inc. (NYSE: CNX), Member, Board of Directors (2005-2016)

Huntington Bank of West Virginia and National Bank of Commerce, Member,  
Boards of Directors (1988-1995)

Institute for Software Research, Inc., Member of Board of Directors and  
Board of Advisors (1997-2001)

West Virginia Business Roundtable, Member 1995-Present, (Chair 1995)

West Virginia Development Corporation, (1994-1995)

West Virginia Energy Task Force 2002 (Appointed by Governor)

West Virginia Science and Technology Council  
(Appointed by Governor, 1996-1997)

## **Publications and Leadership Activities**

*Introduction to Bill Drafting in West Virginia*, 118 W. Va. L. Rev. Online 68  
*Leading the Public University, Essays, Speeches and Commentary*, with Susan Hardesty,  
published for West Virginia University by the WVU Press (2007)

“Changing Campus Culture,” *Handbook of Applied Developmental Science, Volume 4*.  
Chapter 2: Hardesty, Jr., David C., Cote, Lawrence S., LeFlore, Larry. Sage (2003)

WV State Bar, “Leading lawyers—Lawyers in Leadership Roles—Implications for the  
Profession,” *The West Virginia Lawyer*, October-December 2009.

Co-Founder (on behalf of WV Business Roundtable) of the Annual West Virginia  
Leadership Conference

Keynote Speaker— *Developing Organizational Leadership Capacity* (2006),  
*Leader Overload: The Operational Risks of a Robust Organizational Agenda*  
(2005), *Lifetime Learning for Leaders* (2004), *Ten Characteristics of Highly  
Effective Organizations* (2003); Seminar Facilitator— *Inspire a Shared Vision*  
(2004); Panelist (2009); Breakout session “Mentorship” (2012)

Invited Participant, Smith-Richardson Foundation, *Forum on Presidential Leadership*,  
sponsored by Wake Forest University and the Center for Creative Leadership, (2003).  
Remarks published as *University Presidents as Moral Leaders*, edited by David G.

Brown. Chapter 17: "A Response to President Yates' Essay: Vision, Transparency, and Passion." American Council on Education (2006)

Contributor to Focus Magazine (West Virginia Media)

West Virginia National Guard and United States Army Reserve (1969-1975)

Invited facilitator and presenter at various state and national meetings on the subject of leadership and cultural change, including conferences sponsored by:

American Bar Association, Council of Law School Deans

American Society of Crime Laboratory Directors

Council of State Governments

Keynote or Featured Speaker

National Association of State Treasurers

National Association of State Universities and Land Grant Colleges

Philanthropy West Virginia

United States Department of Agriculture

United States Department of Education

United States Department of Energy

West Virginia Bar Association

West Virginia State Bar

West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission

Shepherd University

West Virginia University

West Virginia University Parkersburg

West Virginia Medical Corporation (UHA)

WVU Healthcare

West Virginia University Hospitals

State of West Virginia Trade Missions (4) visiting Japan, China, Korea and Hong Kong  
Traveled to approximately 50 countries on Trade Missions, Educational Missions, and Personal Trips

## **Formal Education**

**West Virginia University, AB, Political Science (1967)**

Mountain (Ranking Honorary)

Student Body President

Rhodes Scholar

**Oxford University (Queen's College), England, BA (1969)**, subsequently designated

MA (1983) Philosophy, Politics and Economics

Queen's College Rowing Club

Oxford American Association

**Harvard Law School, JD (1973)**

Congressional Editor, Harvard Journal on Legislation  
Senior Paper: *Coal Mine Health and Safety Act of 1969*, later published as a student note in the Harvard Journal on Legislation

**Harvard Seminar for New Presidents**

Attended, 1996  
Participated as faculty. 2002

**Seminar, Harvard University, Kennedy School of Public Administration,**  
"Effective Decision Making," 1996

**Honors and Citations****Honorary Degrees and Citations**

Alderson Broaddus College, Honorary Doctor of Public Service (1999)  
University of Charleston (WV), Honorary Doctor of Education (2003)  
Davis & Elkins College, Honorary Doctor of Laws (2009)  
West Virginia University Parkersburg, Honorary Bachelor of Arts Degree (2010)  
West Liberty University, Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters (2010)  
Glenville State College, Presidential Citation (2002)

**National awards**

Big East Conference, CEO Distinguished Leadership and Service Award (2007)  
Boy Scouts of America, Distinguished Eagle Scout Award (2004)  
4-H Program  
David C. Hardesty, Jr. Fund for Citizenship (2006)  
National 4-H Hall of Fame (2007)  
National 4-H Council, Gary L. Davis Leadership Award (2006)  
University of South Carolina Semi-Finalist, Outstanding First Year Student Advocate Award, National Resource Center for the First Year Experience and Students in Transition (2000)

## **Other awards**

City of Morgantown, WV — Earl Core Award for Distinguished Service (2004)

Hi-Y Youth in Government (WV) — Lewis N. McManus Hi-Y Award (2007)

West Virginia Executive Magazine — Ranked 5<sup>th</sup> in list of 50 Most Powerful West Virginians (2006)

West Virginia University — Division of Student Affairs, Outstanding Achievement Award (2008)

West Virginia Society of Washington, DC — Son of the Year (1997)

The West Virginia Education Alliance — Graduate of Distinction Award (2007)

West Virginia University — College of Business and Economics, Business Hall of Fame (2008)

The David C. Hardesty Festival of Ideas (speakers series), endowed, 2007

The Hardesty Lecture, Mary Babb Randolph Cancer Center (2007)

West Virginia University Distinguished Alumnus, Department of Political Science, Eberly College of Arts and Sciences (2008)

Member and honorary member of various campus and national honoraries, listed in Who's Who and similar publications

## **Personal Information**

Married in 1968 to Susan Brown Hardesty (BA, Music Education, WVU, 1967; MA Special Education, West Virginia College of Graduate Studies (Now Marshall University Graduate College), 1975.

Two children; both are graduates of WVU and its College of Law.

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