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SUMMARY OF EXPERTISE

Martial Arts Practitioner, Attorney, and Professor of Law. Black Belt in Taekwondo and Black Sash in 7 Star Praying Mantis Kung Fu. Former World Champion in martial arts. Investigation and assessment of facts of conflict situations and encounters, self-defense, first aggressor, physical violence, physical threat assessment, contributing events causing physical encounter, dynamics of violence and self-defense, deescalation evaluation, and disparity and appropriateness of force.

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

The Davenport Firm, APLC
Trial Lawyer

Alexandria, Louisiana
2002 - Present

- Criminal defense, legal ethics, civil service, and constitutional law

Southern University Law Center
Professor

Baton Rouge, Louisiana
2007, 2008, 2011, 2022-Present

- Professor of law of Constitutional Criminal Procedure, Trial Advocacy, Legal Research, and Evidence

EDUCATION

Southern University Law Center
Juris Doctor, *Cum Laude*

Baton Rouge, Louisiana
1998 - 2001

- Honor Student
- Chancellor's Award for successful argument before Louisiana Supreme Court in State v. Bell, 99-3278 (La. 12/08/00); 776 So. 2d 418
- Cicardo Award and Scholarship for outstanding criminal law clinic student
- Top 10%

Northeast Louisiana University
Bachelor of Arts in Psychology
Associate of Arts in Criminal Justice

Monroe, Louisiana
1996 - 1998

- Dean's List
- Honor Student
- Kinse Memorial Scholarship

MARTIAL ARTS EXPERIENCE

Legendary Kung Fu & Tai Chi

Pineville, Louisiana

- Black Sash (First Level) in 7 Star Praying Mantis Kung Fu, October 11, 2024
- Black Sash (Second Level) in 7 Star Praying Mantis Kung Fu, March 6, 2026
- Assistant Instructor

United States Kung Fu Exchange Federation

Texas

- Advanced training and tactics

Wilson's Taekwondo Academies

Alexandria, Louisiana

- Black Belt (First Degree) in Taekwondo January 14, 1989
- Instructor

PERTINENT PUBLICATIONS

Thomas D. Davenport, Jr. and Michael Traynor, *Uncaging The Story: Discovering the Story of an Incarcerated Client*, THE WARRIOR, Journal of the Trial Lawyers College, Fall 2014, at 19-21

Thomas D. Davenport, Jr., *A Lawyer's Guide to Discovering the Story of a Martial Artist in a Self-Defense Case* THE WARRIOR, Journal of the Trial Lawyers College, Summer 2023 at 66-71

Thomas D. Davenport, Jr., *A Martial Artist's Guide to Legal Self-Defense* KUNG FU MAGAZINE, October 26, 2023, available at <https://www.kungfumagazine.com/ezine/article.php?article=1711>

Thomas D. Davenport, Jr., and James McLin, *Grandmaster Raymond K. Fogg: The Legend and Legacy: A Reflection of His Life, and Journey into Retirement* KUNG FU MAGAZINE, November 12, 2025, available at <https://www.kungfumagazine.com/news/feature-stories/grandmaster-raymond-k-fogg-the-legend-and-legacy-a-reflection-of-his-life-and-journey-into-retirement>

RELEVANT PRESENTATIONS

Guide to Legal Self Defense, hosted by Legendary Kung Fu and Tia Chi, L.L.C.

April 5, 2025

Guide to Legal Self Defense, hosted by Gracie United Alexandria

April 5, 2025

Jack Henton, UrbanCast's Let's Talk Show!, Thomas Davenport on Know Your Rights to Protect Yourself, April 2, 2025

PERSONAL INFORMATION

- Married to Marie Davenport, with two children, Thomas and Marcie
- Enjoys turkey hunting

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