#### Michael Strayer C.V.

## V.P./Construction Consultant at SSL&J Building, LLC

#### SSL&J Building, LLC

#### Mississippi College School of Law

#### Birmingham, Alabama

SSL&J Building, LLC is a construction consulting and construction expert witness firm specializing in residential and commercial construction defects, water intrusion, building code, construction contracts, cost estimating, and litigation support for construction cases. The firm is owned and operated by Rayford F. Smith, a seasoned construction expert for over 5 decades.

The cases in which we are routinely involved reflect a wide variety of construction related issues such as mine & quarry blasting/subsidence claims, building envelope and claddings, roofing, framing, concrete construction, ADA, Chinese drywall, water and termite damage, and cost estimating on various concerns. Our expert witness services are utilized in litigation support, depositions, meditation, arbitration and at trial.

In addition to these consulting services, we also work with homeowners and business owners on EIFS (synthetic stucco) inspections and general construction troubleshooting.

We serve all of Alabama and neighboring states. We are licensed in Alabama as General Contractors and Residential Home Builders.

Personally, I am a married to Holly, father to three sons, and our family has a ministry as a home-schooling family and as Foster Parents. I am an active member of Briarwood Presbyterian Church P.C.A, Member of the Shelby County Foster and Adoptive Parent Association, Assistant Coach for the Hope Christian Eagles boys basketball team, and enjoy hunting, backpacking and camping. Proud fan of the Ole Miss Rebels!

Jesus Christ is my Lord and Savior.
Matthew 5:14-16

14 "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. 15 Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. 16 In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven."

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## **V.P./Construction Consultant**

**Company Name SSL&J Building, LLC** 

<u>Dates Employed 1999 – Present</u>

**Employment Duration 18 yrs** 

**Location Hoover, AL** 

Family owned construction consulting and expert witness firm. Commercial and Residential. Part time 1999-2004. Full time since 2004.

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## **Account Executive**

**Company Name CompuNet** 

Dates Employed 2001 - 2004

**Employment Duration 3 yrs** 

**Location Birmingham, Alabama Area** 

Data Storage and Security

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# **Account Executive**

**Company Name BellSouth Business** 

<u>Dates Employed 1997 – 2001</u>

**Employment Duration 4 yrs** 

**Location Birmingham, Alabama Area** 

Sales Account Executive for BellSouth Business-Mid-Market for voice, data, and hardware. Alabama and Mississippi territories.

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**Marketing Support Specialist** 

**Company Name Blue Cross Blue Shield of Alabama** 

**Dates Employed 1994 – 1997** 

**Employment Duration 3 yrs** 

**Location Birmingham, Alabama Area** 

Marketing Support and Customer Service

#### **Education**

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## Mississippi College School of Law

Dates attended or expected graduation 1992 – 1993



# **University of Mississippi**

Degree Name Bachelor of Arts (BA)

Field Of Study Political Science and Government; English

<u>Dates attended or expected graduation 1987 – 1991</u>

Winona High School; Winona, MS

<u>Dates attended or expected graduation 1984 – 1987</u>