

Gaines-Littles Departing, Tucker Returning

HATTIESBURG – CoB [alternative learning coordinator](#)/executive assistant Sonia Gaines-Littles is [set](#) to depart the CoB in the coming days. The [controversial](#) Gaines-Littles, pictured below, is reportedly headed *back* to California (reports here at [USMNEWS.net](#) indicate that she is a graduate of the University of California at Santa Cruz).



Gaines Littles

Another detail of interest is the fact that long-time USM presidential assistant Jewel Tucker is *rejoining* the CoB in the coming weeks. Tucker, pictured below, has served as an administrative assistant to several USM presidents.



Tucker

Sources tell [USMNEWS.net](#) that Tucker’s return to the CoB could provide the Martha Saunders administration with a conduit for information about what exactly is going on inside Joseph Greene Hall. It’s no secret that b-school administration has for years been problematic for the institution, particularly during the Harold Doty era (2003-07). Many of the problems from this era persist, and having an insider could be beneficial to Saunders and other central administrators. As for Gaines-Littles, the “e-mailgate” report linked above suggests that CoB dean Lance Nail will miss the kind of support he had in his ALC/executive assistant. Of course, time will tell more about the realities of these suggestions.