

## Clark Checking Out

After an extensive USMNEWS.net investigation, it appears as though CoB associate professor of finance John Clark is headed to the University of Missouri – Kansas City. Interestingly, Clark was hired by the CoB in 2003, after a tenure-track run at UMKC that began in the late 1990s. Prior sourced reports have indicated that Clark was quite possibly headed for a denial of tenure at UMKC before hitting the academic job market and heading to USM. Another intriguing element of this story is the lateness of situation, coming *after* the academic year (2008-09). Sources say that it is possible that Clark withheld the information about his new job in order to pick up one last summer of financial support from the CoB, given his auxiliary position as the director of the CoB's Center for Financial Services. Such a practice is not uncommon in the CoB, as administrative types sometimes manage their resignations from such positions in order to garner additional support monies. Like so many others, this story continues to get more and more intriguing as the details develop. Stay tuned.