CoB Administrators in Their Own Words

"I was outraged. These supervisors were betraying the public's trust and stealing from their friends and neighbors." "There was indeed a 'culture of corruption.' New supervisors learned how the game was played from experienced supervisors, and many could not resist the temptation." [Former Director of USM's School of Accountancy James Crockett describing his feelings when news broke that county Supervisors were embezzling money from county governments across his "beloved Mississippi." Crockett also speaks of what he discovered while researching for his book Operation Pretense: The FBI's Sting on County Corruption in Mississippi. Quote #1 from University Press of Mississippi Press Release. Quote #2 from USMPR Press Release.]

Special Report

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Based on the records presented in this and the previous "Special Report," Crockett may have over-billed USM by as much as \$580 or more over just three (3) state-supported trips.