

## *DEAR USMNEWS.NET*

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Your predictions on what is likely to happen at “Southern Miss” are usually pretty good. However, the list of [possible interim deans](#) at the CoB contained a startling omission: Roderick Posey, former interim director of accounting and former interim dean. If the past is any indication, becoming interim-dean should free time for his duties as a [church minister](#), bicycle riding, advising his accounting clients, etc. If a pay raise goes with the deal, the assignment would also increase his PERS base. Posey is a known commodity, unlikely to rock any boats.

What do you think?

Name withheld

Dear Name withheld,

I don't think it's going to happen. Giving such an award to someone whose publications are so limited, would set a bad example to the numerous young faculty.

usmnews.net wants to remind its readers that Posey's bio on the [CoB webpage](#) claims that he "... has published more than a hundred articles in several publications related to many accounting issues." Many have tried to find these publications, [with no success](#). (Dr. Posey's fifteen years of ministry with [his church](#) is much easier to document.) To date, the greatest number of Posey publications anyone has been able to identify is fewer than ten, and none of them appear to be A or B level publications - even using CoB's inflated journal classification scheme.

In fact, more than one reader has suggested that usmnews.net renew its contest, "[Help Rod Posey Find His Tale](#)." As soon as the reporters and editors develop some suitable ideas for prizes, we will begin the contest.