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Examining the USM Departure of Trellis Green

As the CoB's economists depart the Joseph Greene Hall stage at the end of the 2009-10 academic year, USMNEWS.net will be examining the research credentials that will be leaving the CoB, if not the institution as a whole. This installment focuses on associate professor Trellis Green, who is one of the five mostly senior economists who retired so that the four mostly junior CoB economists could maintain their USM careers in the USM College of Arts & Letters.

What will USM lose with Green's departure? On the research front, Table 1 below contains the answer.

Table 1 – Green's Journal Publications Trail

Year	Journal Publications
2010	
2009	<i>Applied Economics</i>
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2008	
2007	
2006	
2005	
2004	
2003	<i>Ecological Economics</i>
2002	<i>Journal of Economics & Finance Education</i>
2001	
2000	<i>Asian Journal of Energy & Environment</i>
1999	
1998	
1997	<i>NIRSA Journal</i>
1996	
1995	
1994	<i>Society & Natural Resources</i>
1993	
1992	
1991	<i>Fisheries Journal</i>
1990	
1989	
1988	
1987	
1986	<i>Land Economics</i>
1985	
1984	

Again we see a publication record that is, to use former EFIB chairman George Carter's term, "gappy." However, in this case there are some powerful mitigating circumstances. Green was targeted by b-school and USM administrators in 1994, at which point he (Green) filed a lawsuit

against Carter and others. Preparation for trial consumed 1994, 1995, 1996 and part of 1997. Just as the trial began, the USM administrators called an end to the proceedings and settled with Green. Green was awarded a promotion to associate, the accompanying salary increase, and an undisclosed financial settlement. For USMNEWS.net readers who may be interested in this saga, there is a multi-part series about it in the Archives section. These reports contain court filings, depositions, and other original source materials that readers will find enlightening.