

Clyde Kennard Should Be Remembered for More Than His Race

You should read Eddie Holloway's Opinion, "[Clyde Kennard: A portrait of honor](#)," in the Hattiesburg American, February 13, 2014. The superficiality of Holloway's perspective of justice, ethics, and diversity should concern all of us, especially parents of students and students at the University of Southern Mississippi.

usmnews.net has reported concerning the unconscionable misconduct of administrators – at least one of whom ([President Emeritus Aubrey Lucas](#)) still holds an honored and respected position -- at Southern Miss. While racism, historic or current is morally unacceptable, one cannot help but wonder whether Southern Miss' execrable treatment of Mr. Kennard has continued in the form of [intolerance](#) for anyone who does not "fit the mold". [Diversity](#) is not simply a matter of race or sex. It is also diversity of thought. Southern Miss has shown little or no tolerance for [diversity](#) of any kind.