

Looking for Roderick Posey

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That got us wondering where Rod Posey is these days. A quick internet search showed he's working at [Alabama A&M University](#):

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For students and faculty who are subordinate to Mr. Posey, usmnews.net offers this reminder which is an excerpt from his sworn testimony.

Attorney's Question. Do you understand my question?

Posey's Answer: ...The problem with Marc's [DePree's] evaluation ... was that the students, going through them [DePree's student teacher evaluations], mentioned nowhere that his course was difficult. Going through, whatever, 100 evaluation... Marc's had nothing ... where the student said, boy, he is a good teacher... but this is a tough class. It just wasn't there... they said nothing about him [Marc] being a difficult teacher...

Q. So you were looking to students to tell you this [DePree's] is a difficult course to tell you what? You are willing to live with the answer you've given me?

A. Uh-huh. [Affirmative]

Q. I hand you a document and ask you if you can identify that?

A. ...This is comments on his faculty activity report and demonstration of rigor.

Q. And attached to that I think you will find Marc's student comments for the period of time that was covered by that evaluation.

A. Okay.

Q. Look at Number 5 and read it for me, please.

A. He [DePree] needs to slow down a little. He goes a little fast for normal students.

Q. Read the positive comments, Number 5.

A. Number 5, [DePree] Explains content with clarity, difficult course but made the material fun and interesting.

Q. So there is one student that said it was a difficult course.

A. One student.

Q. Okay. Well, let's look at 11.

Eleven, this material was difficult to learn but repetitive use of material was very helpful.

Q. Let's look at 42.

A. This professor [DePree] is the first professor I had -- I have had that could teach a class that is difficult and still make it relevant, informative, and enjoyable. I wish USM had more of his caliber.

Q. Let's look at 44.

A. Thoroughly enjoyed this [DePree's] class. He presented difficult material in a way that you could follow and learn.

Q. How about 48? [Editor's note: Posey was furious at this point.]

A. Dr. DePree has the ability to take an incredibly complex subject and break it down into logical steps. His method of teaching is wonderful. I really learn what he says instead of memorizing it.

Q. Let's look at Number 57, what's it say?

A. His [DePree's] ability to explain. The patience he used while teaching. Explaining the complicated material until you understand...

Mr. DePree's attorney could have easily continued in this vein for an hour but he made the point.

Keep in mind, Posey claimed that a tenured faculty should be fired because the professor's student teacher evaluations failed to include students asserting he was a good teacher and the material was difficult. You may need to put Posey under oath to get at the truth.