

## SEDONA Files

In an effort to shed more light on the annual evaluation process in the CoB, this is Part VI in a series of examinations of CoB faculty SEDONA materials, as they appeared on 2 May 2006, or just after the time of the CoB's annual evaluation. Previous exhibits have pointed out that CoB faculty are responsible for maintaining their CV items on SEDONA, an electronic database. As stated in an e-mail by Dean Doty, SEDONA materials **only** are to be evaluated by CoB administrators at the annual review hearing.

Some of the information we reported on in our last installment continues to puzzle. The *Southwestern Journal of Economics* is a difficult journal to locate any information about, so we are not able to report anything further on the two-for-one credit that George Carter (Professor and Chair of Economics, Finance and IB) may have received during the 2006 merit raise process.

In this installment, we present some interesting information about CoB administrators that we have encountered in SEDONA. For example, Roderick Posey's (Director of Accounting/MIS) entire SEDONA file consists of only 79 words. We will be sure to have calculator in hand when his 2006 merit raise is known.

We noticed that in a section titled **Non-Academic Experience**, George Carter lists the following information as a separate line-item:

### **Non-Academic Experience**

Interim Commissioner of Higher Education, Board of Trustees of State of Institutions of Higher Learning, State of Mississippi (1987-1987).

This entry indicates that George Carter was the highest ranking higher education official in the State of Mississippi during the 1987 calendar year.

From what we can tell from Dean Doty's SEDONA records, both of his academic promotions appear to have coincided with moves from one university to another. He indicates that he left the University of Arkansas as an assistant professor and arrives at Syracuse as an associate professor (1995). In 2003, Doty left Syracuse as an associate professor and arrived at USM as a professor. Thus, Doty's SEDONA supports some of the information that has been circulated about his employment history.