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Professor Mitchell joined the University of Missouri School of Law faculty in 2006. He is one of the two founding Co-Directors of the Michael A. Middleton Center for Race, Citizenship and Justice, and is the Ruth L. Hulston Professor of Law. He is also an affiliate member of the Black Studies Department and a member of the Graduate Faculty of the Sociology Department. He has served as the Chair of the UM System on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Task Force, and as the Chair of the University of Missouri Advisory Council to the Vice Chancellor of Inclusion, Diversity and Equity.

As an interdisciplinary scholar, he examines the criminal justice system using a sociological lens specifically focusing on the collateral consequences of sentencing; ex-offender reentry and reintegration; and felon disenfranchisement. His dissertation is entitled, "*Unintended Consequences?: An Interdisciplinary Exploration of the Obstacles that Prevent Successful Ex-Offender Reentry and Reintegration and the Societal Impact.*" His other scholarship includes articles on the impact of collateral consequences on communities of color, zero tolerance policies, ex-offender reentry and the retroactive application of laws. He has served on numerous panels and been interviewed and quoted in a variety of news outlets.

Prior to joining to the law school faculty, he served as a law clerk to the Honorable Andre M. Davis (U.S. District Court of Maryland), and was a Scholar in Residence in the Sociology Department at the University of Colorado at Boulder. In 2015, he became an elected member of the American Law Institute. He is a member of the Missouri State Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, serving as Chair from 2016-17. He has also been recognized for his teaching and community engagement receiving the Gold Chalk Award; the Legion of Black Collegians Minority Faculty and Staff Appreciation Award; the 2014-2015 Lloyd L. Gaines Scholarship Banquet Honoree; and the MU President's Community Engagement Award; the Missouri Lawyers Media 2021 Diversity and Inclusion award; and the Spurgeon Smithson Award from the Missouri Bar Foundation. He is also a member of the Pennsylvania bar.