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Blake D. Morant is the Robert Kramer Research Professor Emeritus of Law and former Dean of The George Washington University Law School. He currently serves as a Distinguished Counselor for the Association of American Law Schools. Prior to serving as Dean of GW Law, he served as Dean of the Wake Forest University School of Law, where he built a national reputation as an exceptional law school administrator, tireless advocate for students, and respected legal scholar.

Morant writes for *Forbes* online and is in demand as a motivational speaker. He has delivered presentations around the globe on pressing issues in legal education, civility, and leadership, and has published extensively in his areas of scholarly focus, including contract theory, media law, and administrative law.

Morant has served in numerous national leadership positions at the Association of American Law Schools (AALS) and the American Bar Association (ABA), including as AALS President in 2015. He has served as a member of the ABA's Commission on the Future of Legal Education and is president-emeritus of the AALS Fellows.

Among his professional honors, Morant was named the John R. Kramer Outstanding Law Dean by Equal Justice Works and was recognized four times by *National Jurist* magazine as one of the most influential people in legal education. He has received the "Attorney of the Year" Award from the National Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America and the Herman Marion Sweatt Award from the National Bar Association.

Morant served as a visiting fellow of University College, Oxford. He became the Straus Distinguished Visiting Professor of Law at the Caruso School of Law, Pepperdine University in 2022. He previously served as the Distinguished Visitor Professor of Law at the University of California, Irvine School of Law. He commenced his academic career at The University of Toledo College of Law.

Morant received his B.A. degree from the College of Arts and Sciences and J.D. degree from the School of Law at the University of Virginia. He is married to Paulette Jones Morant, who is a retired teacher of Spanish and French, administrator, and recognized photographic artist and documentary filmmaker.