

1938

Name Franklin, Mitchell

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(1902)

Negro

White Southerner

Position Professor of law, Tulane University

LAW
Special Field Jurisprudence and
Group Philosophy

College Harvard University, A. B., 1922, LL. B., 1925, S. J. D., 1928

University

Plan of Work:

Law

A study of French influences in American jurisprudence with special reference to Louisiana. Independent research, some work at the University of Paris.

Action of Fellowship Committee:

Granted \$2,000.



Law adviser, Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts, 1925-28; with Chadbourne, Stanchfield and Levy, New York, 1928-30; professor of law, Tulane University, 1930-.

Reporter in one of the broad fields of law at last two meetings of the International Congress of Comparative Law at the Hague.

Pressure of work prevented Mr. Franklin from taking up his fellowship until the summer of 1939. He spent the summer in France, but his study was interrupted by the war and he returned to the United States in the Autumn. Settled in New York where he is working on John Taylor (Virginian) and Edward Livingston (of New York and Louisiana). 9/24/39

*C/o Tulane Law School
New Orleans, Louisiana*

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FRANKLIN, MITCHELL

CAREER SINCE TENURE OF FELLOWSHIP

9/25/40 Mr. Franklin returned to Tulane University to his former post as professor of law.

1944- Major in Army.

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"Brutus The American Praetor"- Tulane Law Review, Vol. XV, 1940.

"The Place of Thomas Jefferson in the Expulsion of Spanish Medieval Law from Louisiana". Tulane Law Review, Vol. XVI, 1942.

"The Eighteenth Brumaire in Louisiana: Talleyrand and the Spanish Medieval Legal System of 1806," Tulane Law Review, Vol. XVI, 1942.

"Foundations of Meaning of Slaughter House Cases",
Tulane Law Review (on Reconstruction in
Louisiana 1865-1870). etc. etc.



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MITCHELL FRANKLIN

(36)

Jurisprudence, Philosophy

on first consideration
good for JRF
because not
Southern

Top man

Exceptionally high recommendation

Not born or reared or educated
in the South. No evidence he will
stay there - He is superhuman
material rather than Roosevelt.
If we can be reasonably sure of his
staying in the South I would
rate him A+ but a fellowship
would probably simply assure his
going to Harvard that much sooner

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Candidate **Mitchell Franklin** ✓

Special Field

Professor of Law
Tulane University, New Orleans, Louisiana

Jurisprudence,
Philosophy

Plan of Work

An account of 18th century French materialism - its influences, particularly in the United States.

Wishes to do independent research, possibly some work at University of Paris. Duration of study at least a year. Will return to present position.

*Postponed until 1939. Sails June 24, 1939 for Paris.
No Am Express until further notice*

Digest of Application

Born February, 1902, Montreal, Quebec. Married.

A. B. from Harvard College, 1922. L. L. B., 1925, S. J. D., 1929, Harvard Law School.

Experience: Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts, law adviser, 1925-26; Chadbourne, Stanchfield and Levy, 25 Broadway, New York City, law practice, 1928-30; Tulane University, professor of law, at present.

Member of American Bar Association.

Research: Thesis; legal research for Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts.

Publications: Articles on legal subjects in various reviews

References

Mr. R. G. Harris, President, Tulane University

Mr. Roscoe Pound, Professor, Harvard University

Mr. Felix Frankfurter, Professor, Harvard University

Committee Notes

Budget Summary

Total amount needed

From applicant

From Fund \$2,500

Granted \$2,000

Documents submitted

Photograph
Exhibit material x
Transcripts

Plan of work x

Digest *complete*

Sent to Committee

Documents returned



MITCHELL FRANKLIN

Mr. Franklin sailed for Paris in June of 1939. Returned in October because of war and is now at 231 East 81st Street, New York. Is working on "John Taylor of Virginia, who, along with Edward Livingston, of New York and Louisiana, is a genius unknown in America because he is an American."

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