

**BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH**

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NAME McMillan, Elise D.	POSITION TITLE Director		
eRA COMMONS USER NAME			
EDUCATION/TRAINING <i>(Begin with baccalaureate or other initial professional education, such as nursing, and include postdoctoral training.)</i>			
INSTITUTION AND LOCATION	DEGREE <i>(if applicable)</i>	YEAR(s)	FIELD OF STUDY
Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas	B.A.	1974	Communications
Nashville School of Law, Nashville, TN	J.D.	1983	Law(?)

**A. Positions and Honors****Positions and Employment**

1985 Admitted to Tennessee Bar  
 1995-2003 Director of Development, Vanderbilt Kennedy Center, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee  
 1995-2003 Senior Lecturer, Peabody College, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee  
 2003-present Director of Community Outreach, Vanderbilt Kennedy Center, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee  
 2003-present Senior Lecturer, Peabody College, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN

**Other Experience and Professional Memberships**

1978-1995 Associate Editor & General Counsel, Reporter, Assistant City Editor, Managing Editor, *Nashville Banner*, Nashville, Tennessee  
 1985-1996 Member, CABLE, Nashville, TN  
 1986-1988 Board of Directors, CABLE, Nashville, TN  
 1990-1995 Chair, Freedom of Information Committee, Tennessee Press Association  
 1991-1993 Secretary, Down Syndrome Association of Middle Tennessee  
 1993-1996 Governor's Advisory Council on Special Education for People with Disabilities, Tennessee  
 1993-1997 Mayor's Advisory Committee for People with Disabilities, Nashville, Tennessee  
 1993-1994 Class Participant,  
 1994-1995 Board of Directors, Tennessee Press Association  
 1995-present Program Committee, Leadership Nashville, Tennessee  
 1995-2001 Board of Directors, Special Olympics of Tennessee  
 1995-2000 Board of Directors, The Arc of Davidson County, Nashville, Tennessee  
 1995-1996 Partners in Policy Making, Tennessee Developmental Disabilities Council  
 1995-1998 Virtual School Ask An Educator  
 1995-present Board of Directors, The Arc of Tennessee  
 1995-present Board of Directors, Tennessee Disability Coalition  
 1996-1998 President, The Arc of Davidson County, Nashville, Tennessee  
 1996-2002 Vice President, Down Syndrome Association of Middle Tennessee  
 1997-2000 *Challenges of Leadership* Human and Organizational Development, Undergraduate Program  
 1999-2001 President, The Arc of Tennessee  
 2001-present Mayor's Advisory Committee for People with Disabilities, Nashville, Tennessee  
 2001-present Explorers Unlimited Camp for Adolescents with Down syndrome  
 2001-present Sibshop Program  
 2002-present Tennessee State Health Planning and Advisory Board  
 2002-present Faculty Adviser, Vanderbilt University Best Buddies Chapter, Nashville, TN

Principal Investigator/Program Director (Last, First, Middle):

**Honors**

1997 John F. Kennedy Center Director's Award  
1997 AAUAP Leadership in Advocacy Award  
2002 The Arc of Tennessee President's Award  
2002 Vanderbilt University Opportunity Development Center Award to Explorers Unlimited for  
Outstanding Contribution in Promoting Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities  
2004 Recognition Award from the Autism Society of Middle Tennessee

**B. Selected Peer-Reviewed Publications**

**C. Research Support**

**Ongoing Research Support**

Henderson Training Series for Special and General Educators 1997- present