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Joan R. M. Bullock is a Professor of Law at Texas Southern University's Thurgood Marshall School of Law, where she has served since 2019. Professor Bullock has extensive experience in legal education, business law, and the integration of technology in legal practice and education.

From 2019 to 2022, Professor Bullock served as Dean of the Thurgood Marshall School of Law. During her tenure, she oversaw ABA compliance efforts and represented the law school before the ABA Council of the Section of Legal Education and Admission to the Bar, successfully bringing the law school into compliance within the required deadline. The graduating classes during her deanship achieved substantially improved first-time Texas bar passage rates, with the Class of 2024 representing the highest performance since 2013.

Professor Bullock teaches courses in Business Associations and Law Practice Management. She developed and teaches the law school's first online asynchronous courses: "Law and Artificial Intelligence" and "Digital Crimes and Torts." Her current research focuses on the neuroscience of learning and the ethical implementation of technology in legal practice. Professor Bullock's book **"From Overwhelmed to Optimized: AI Integration in 21st Century Higher Education"** is scheduled for publication in fall 2025.

Professor Bullock's academic career includes positions at the University of Toledo College of Law, where she achieved tenure and promotion to full professor, Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University (FAMU) College of Law, where she served as one of seven tenured inaugural faculty members re-establishing the law school, and Thomas Jefferson School of Law, where she served as President and Dean from 2017-2018. She also served in administrative roles including Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Associate Dean for Teaching and Faculty Development at FAMU.

In addition to her academic career, Professor Bullock practiced law as managing member of Joan R. Bullock PLLC and practiced as a CPA tax associate at Coopers & Lybrand. She currently operates The Reformed Law Prof consulting practice, focusing on technology implementation in legal practice.

In the American Bar Association, Professor Bullock is the 2024-2025 Chair of the Science & Technology Law Section and is a member of the Law Practice Division and the Solo, Small Firm and General Practice Division. She previously served as Chair of the ABA Law Practice Division (2012-13) and as a member of the House of Delegates (2018-2021). She has served on ABA law school site visit teams and as an AALS site team reporter.

Professor Bullock has published extensively on law practice management and technology in legal practice. Her recent writings include articles in *The SciTech Lawyer* on Global AI

Oversight, Emerging Technologies in Healthcare, and Space Tourism. She is a frequent speaker at legal conferences on topics including AI's impact on the legal profession.

Professor Bullock holds a J.D. from the University of Toledo College of Law, an M.B.A. in Accounting and Finance from the University of Michigan, and a B.A. in Legal and Political Theory from Michigan State University. She earned her CPA designation and completed a Certificate in No Code AI and Machine Learning from MIT Professional Education. She currently serves on Texas Southern University's University Council.