



Doug Deason, 1980 CHE Alumnus Bagley College of Engineering 2008 Alumni Fellow

The Bagley College of Engineering recently honored Doug Deason of Houston, Texas, as its 2008 Alumni Fellow as part of a program sponsored by the **Mississippi State University Alumni Association**. Alumni Fellows, who have distinguished themselves in their careers, are invited back to campus to share their academic and work experiences with students and faculty at a number of on-campus activities.

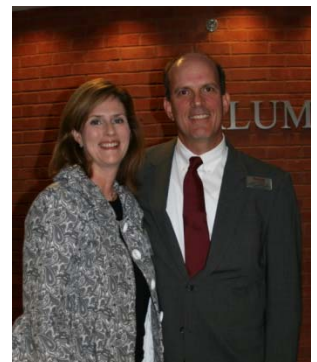
Deason received a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering from Mississippi State in 1980 and currently serves as an environmental adviser for ExxonMobil Refining and Supply in Houston. In his role, he is responsible for discussing clean air issues with individuals, industry groups, conference audiences, television stations and newspapers, regulators and legislators.

A native of Baton Rouge, La., Deason says his greatest professional accomplishment has been recent work with the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the Texas EPA, and Houston-area industry to design and implement a multi-billion dollar air quality improvement program that will benefit the Houston area's five million residents.

Deason says his greatest accomplishments while at Mississippi State were completing five semesters as a cooperative education student, meeting his future spouse, the former Joy McCarver, and graduating to employment with a great company.

Deason is particularly grateful for his cooperative education experiences, which he credits with much of his success. "The cooperative education experiences and the practically-oriented teaching of the MSU faculty provided an excellent foundation for building a career," Deason said. "We learned the importance of hard work with practical learning tools to solve the important problems."

Deason and his wife reside in Houston and have two children, Drew and Rachel.



Joy and Doug Deason