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**PERSONAL:** Born 22 December 1954; wife Sallye, sons John and James

**EDUCATION:** Tyler Junior College, Tyler, TX, 1973-1974  
University of Texas, Austin, TX, 1974-1976  
University of Texas, Tyler, TX, 1990-1994, M.A. in History

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:**

John Cowan and Associates, Inc., March 1977 to July 2015, Registered Professional  
Land Surveying firm, Tyler, TX, President 1985-2015  
Organizing Director First National Bank of Bullard, 1983-2003  
The University of Texas at Tyler, adjunct professor since 1997: "History of the Texas  
Public Domain" and "Legal Principles in Surveying and Mapping"  
Lon Morris College, adjunct instructor in History, 2011-2012  
Tyler Junior College, adjunct professor, 2012 to present: HIST 1301 and HIST 1302

**Seminar Presentations:**

*Texas Public Domain*, May 1999 – Jefferson, TX (4 hours)  
*Texas Public Domain*, October 2000 -- Austin, TX (8 hours)  
*Texas Public Domain*, December 2010 -- Tyler, TX (8 hours)  
*Texas Public Domain*, July 2011 -- Richardson, TX (8 hours)  
*Texas Water Boundaries*, December 2014 -- Tyler, TX (8 hours)  
*Texas Public Domain*, October 2015 -- Dallas, TX (4 hours)  
*The Revival of Art and Religion in the Caucasus*, March 2016 -- Yale University  
*Frost Thorn*, Smith County Historical Association, October 2017  
*Dr. Rush Nutt of Rodney Mississippi: The Original "Ugly American,"* October 2020,  
Gulf South Historical Conference, Alexandria, LA

**Publications:**

*Dinglers of the South*, 1983.  
*A Matthews Family History*, 2002.  
*The Encyclopedia of the Stone-Campbell Movement*, 2005 (2 articles)  
*A Cowan History*, 2012  
"Remember the Prisoners," *Red Egg Review*, April 2013  
"Which Way Turkey: A Personal Reflection," *Foreign Policy Journal*, April 2014.  
"So You See We are a Peculiar People," *Rodney Telegraph* 2019  
"Laurel Hill Cemetery," *Rodney Telegraph* 2020  
"New Notes from a Commonplace Book," *Substack*, 2005-2025

**Other Interests:**

Volunteer Chaplain at Michael Unit, Tennessee Colony, TX, 2010-2020

Parish Council, St. John of Damascus Orthodox Church

City of Bullard Planning and Zoning Commission 1980-2019

Officer, Captain William Barron Chapter TXSSAR

Officer, Piney Woods Chapter SRT

Officer, Lone Star Company, Jamestowne Society

Officer, Texas Branch, National Society of the Sons and Daughters of the Pilgrims