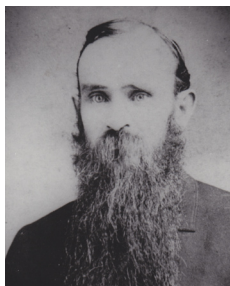


Philander Smith College Presidents

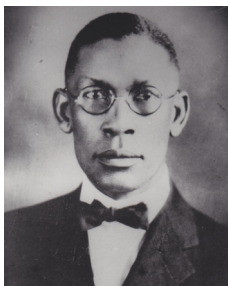
Little Rock, Arkansas



Thomas Mason
President, 1877 - 1896



James M. Cox
President, 1896 - 1924



George Taylor
President, 1924 - 1936



Marquis L. Harris
President, 1936 - 1960



Roosevelt D. Crockett
President, 1961 - 1964



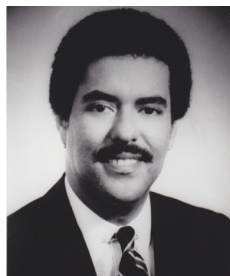
Ernest Thomas Dixon, Jr.
President, 1965-1969



Walter R. Hazzard
President, 1969 - 1979



Grant S. Shockley
President, 1980 - 1983



Hazo W. Carter, Jr.
President, 1983 - 1988



Myers L. Titus
President, 1988 - 1998



Trudie Kibbe Reed
President, 1999 - 2004



Walter M. Kimbrough
President, 2004 - 2012



Johnnie Moore
President, 2012 - 2014



Roderick L. Smothers Sr.
President, 2014 to present

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