

Education

A.B.D., Anthropology, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas
M.A., Anthropology, New York University, New York (1995)
B.A., Anthropology, New York University, New York (1991)

Areas of Relevant Expertise

Cultural Resource Management
Archeological Surveys and Site Inventories
Archeological Test Excavations
Archeological Construction Monitoring
Archeological Data Recovery Excavations
NEPA and FERC Document Preparation
Native American Consultation
Historical Investigations

Certifications/Qualifications

Meets all Secretary of the Interior's standards for performing cultural resource investigations.
Permittable to perform cultural resource investigations on federal and state projects.
Listed on qualified cultural resource consultant lists in numerous states.
Pre-certified by the Texas Department of Transportation for Service 2.10.1 (Archeological Surveys, Documentation, Excavations, Testing, Reports, and Data Recovery Plans) and Service 2.11.1 (Historical and Archival Research).

Professional Affiliations

Register of Professional Archaeologists
Society for American Archaeology
Texas Archeological Society
Council of Texas Archeologists
Plains Anthropological Society

Years of Experience

With This Firm: 2 With Other Firms: 13

Experience Summary

Mr. Owens is an accomplished cultural resource professional with more than 15 years of experience in archeological fieldwork, research and analysis, and cultural resource management (CRM). He is an adept principal investigator and project manager with a proven record of completing even the most complex projects on time and under budget, and he has a special talent for taking on problematic projects and getting them back on track. Mr. Owens is proficient at managing suites of turnkey, fast-turnaround projects as well as intensive, long-term research projects. He has a special

Expertise

- Prehistoric Archeology
- Historic Archeology

Research Areas

- Eastern North America (esp. Midwest, Southeast)
- Great Plains
- American Southwest

CRM Specialties

- Project Management
- Archeological Survey, Testing, and Data Recovery
- NRHP Evaluations
- Section 106 Process
- Lithic and Ceramic Analysis
- FERC Document Preparation
- Site Surveying, GIS, GPS

Technical Specialties

- Technical Writing and Editing
- Document Production
- Electronic Document Template Development
- Documentation Quality Assurance/Quality Control

talent for completing complex projects within ambitious deadlines with a sense of humor, professional presentation, hard- and soft-skill expertise, and a unique combination of analytical skill and creative talent. Mr. Owens' project management style incorporates innovative leadership skills, resourcefulness, versatility, swift adaptability, and attention to the bottom line. He is fully versed in historic and environmental preservation laws, assessing the NRHP eligibility of cultural resources, and developing management plans for historic properties.

Mr. Owens has planned, implemented, and successfully completed cultural resource survey and site inventory projects in Arizona, Louisiana, Mississippi, New York, Oklahoma, and Texas; archaeological eligibility testing projects in Arizona, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Pennsylvania, and Texas; and data recovery projects in Illinois, New Jersey, and Texas, for a broad range of commercial and government clients. He is adept at developing research designs and proposals, generating budgets, tracking projects, managing archaeological field crews, performing fieldwork, analyzing data, developing NRHP eligibility assessments and treatment options for historic properties, writing and producing technical reports describing research results, and consulting with clients and regulatory agencies throughout the review process.

Mr. Owens has been a team participant in the preparation of numerous regulatory documents, including Environmental Assessments (EAs), Environmental Impact Assessments (EISs), and Categorical Exclusions (CEs), for NEPA compliance projects in Arkansas, Louisiana, Maryland, New York, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, and Texas. He has primarily been involved with the cultural resource components of these projects, including writing cultural resource overviews, performing archaeological background research and fieldwork, assessing potential project impacts, assessing the NRHP eligibility of cultural resources, developing management recommendations and treatment options for cultural resources, authoring cultural resource sections for environmental regulatory documents, and coordinating with regulatory agencies and interested parties to ensure successful completion of the permitting process.

Mr. Owens is also a highly skilled technical writer and editor who offers expertise in the full range of document production skills. His document design and production expertise ranges from technical and scientific literature, regulatory documentation, and journalistic reporting to proposals, statements of qualifications, and marketing collateral. As a project manager, Mr. Owens is especially proficient at analyzing and organizing information, prioritizing responsibilities in a dynamic environment, meeting or exceeding expectations throughout project lifecycles, and providing thorough quality control. He offers 15+ years of academic and field experience in archaeology, 9+ years of project management expertise, and 15+ years of technical writing and editing proficiency.