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Canter Brown has authored or co-authored a score of works touching upon Florida, the Southeast, and the South. Subjects have included the frontier, Florida Republican Party founder and governor Ossian B. Hart, African American officeholders in the post-Civil War era, the diversity of women's experiences in the South, Victorian-era author and editor Mary Edwards Bryan, the Florida Supreme Court, the Southern States Energy Board, religious history, and numerous other topics. Publication of his biography of Gilded Age transportation and resort magnate Henry Plant is pending. With his colleague Larry E. Rivers of Florida A&M University, he presently is finalizing a biography of Florida native and African Methodist Episcopal Church bishop Abram Grant. Brown's work has earned local, state, regional, and national awards including the American Association for State and Local History Association's Certificate of Merit, the Florida Historical Society's Rembert W. Patrick and Harry T. and Harriette V. Moore Prizes, and the Southern Jewish Historical Society's B. H. Levy Award. Brown received the degrees of bachelor of arts, doctor of philosophy, and juris doctor at Florida State University. He also studied at the University of Florida under Dr. Samuel Proctor, longtime editor of the *Florida Historical Quarterly*. Brown is a native of Fort Meade, Polk County, Florida. He and his wife Barbara Gray Brown reside at Lakeland.