

## Spotlight on FCCA Members

This document is created as a marketing tool to encourage active members to renew their FCCA membership and interested individuals to become new members.

The brief excerpts below were extracted from prior Spotlights submitted in the *FCCA Journal* and are descriptions of members' accomplishments, their involvement on committees and roles they have volunteered to serve or how the FCCA has helped in their professional or personal life.

- ★ **Jeff Apperson** - Member Since 1992 – Served on several FCCA Committees, is Past-President and has been involved with helping other countries develop their court systems.
- ★ **Cheryl Sweat** - Member Since 2003 – Served as Sixth Circuit District Representative and currently serves as Sixth Circuit Representative. As a result of her efforts, several new members joined the FCCA.
- ★ **Barbara Cravens** - Member of FCCA for 33 years (as of 2004) - Member of the first graduating class of the Federal Court Manager Leadership Program.
- ★ **Mary Lou Gonzalas** - Member Since 1992 – Become more involved - “Our Association needs every member to contribute their part to make it successful! When we all put in our part, it enhances our Court Family members, our annual conferences, and our communities . . . FCCA is truly an exceptional group of people . . . Won't you consider becoming one of us? Please see your local District Representative for details.”
- ★ **Bill McCool** - Member Since 1996 – Currently serves as FCCA President, who is actively pursuing several goals, such as increasing membership, renewing efforts to engage retired members, supporting the FERS Sick Leave initiative and other potential legislative and policy issues, has designed two committees to promote membership and facilitate better and constant communication with the members and judiciary employees, and has created job descriptions for the various positions on the Board.
- ★ **Christina Squieri** - Member Since 1989 – Recipient of the FCCA

Special Service Award in 2002, and enjoyed being a part of Team California, host court for FCCA Annual Conference in 2004. Cris credits the FCCA for giving her the opportunity to met new friends throughout the country, and because of these contacts, gained access to various information resources throughout the Federal Court community.

- ★ **Virginia (Ginny) Hurley** - Member Since 1976 -- Previously served as FCCA District Representative and as Circuit Representative. Currently serves on Marketing and Outreach Committee. Coordinates blood drives. In 2005, Massachusetts won two awards for donating the most pints of blood. “This is an amazing feat in itself, since I grew up deathly afraid of needles and blood.” Boston was host court for the FCCA Annual Conference in 2006, and Ginny played an active role in coordinating that event.
- ★ **Eileen Levine** - Member Since 1980 – Has attended more than 25 FCCA Conferences and more than 15 mid-year meetings. Served as 2<sup>nd</sup> Circuit Representative and District Representative.
- ★ **Geneva Ashby** - Member Since 1981 – As of 2004, serves as 6<sup>th</sup> Circuit District Representative for the Eastern District of Tennessee in Chattanooga, Tennessee and has attended two annual conferences.
- ★ **Sandy Smith O’Neill** - Member Since 1986 – Has attended more than nine FCCA Annual Conferences. Actively supports FCCA blood drives and other charitable events each year.
- ★ **Edis Feldhouse** - Member Since 2002 – Participates in the annual Daffodil Days fund-raiser at the Massachusetts Courthouse. Prepared a video presentation to promote the 2006 conference in Boston which was shown at the 2005 Chicago Conference.
- ★ **Fernando Galindo** - Member Since 2005 – Attended his first FCCA Annual Conference in Boston.
- ★ **Tracey Couling** - Member Since 2002 – Serves as Sixth Circuit District Representative for MDTN. Chicago was the first conference she attended where she gained valuable information that continues to aid her in her personal and professional growth.
- ★ **Scott Atchue** - Member Since 1999 – Attended the 2001 FCCA/NCBC conference in Cleveland, Ohio. Currently serves as Washington DC Federal Courts Representative and was formally the District Representative for the DC Circuit US Court of Appeals.

- ★ **Andy Coomes** - Member Since 2001 – In 2006, winner of the new FCCA “I WANT YOU” advertising ad, created for the FCCA and was submitted in *The Circuit Rider’s* magazine and is also used during annual membership drives.
- ★ **Ralph DeLoach** - Longtime Member, currently retired Member – Was actively involved in co-chairing the FCCA International Relations Committee. Received the FCCA 1992 Director’s Award for Administrative Excellence, the 1995 FCCA Angie Award, and the 1999 Director’s Award for Outstanding Leadership.
- ★ **June Phillips** - Member Since 1982 – Served the organization as Chair of the Nominations Committee and as the 11<sup>th</sup> Circuit Representative for the 2001-2003 period.
- ★ **April Colling** - Member Since 2005 – Attended two conferences and recently volunteered as Sixth Circuit District Representative for Ohio Northern Bankruptcy Court. Completed the Michigan State University Judicial Program’s non-credit bearing certification program offered by the FCCA and recommends it to everyone working in any court system.
- ★ **Ian Keye** - Member Since 1976 – Enjoys working with dedicated teams of host conferences to ensure high quality educational programs are provided to all members at the conferences. His decision to join FCCA and participation in the organization has contributed greatly to his success at work and personally, has enhanced his life through the many good friends and acquaintances he has made since becoming a member. Served two terms on FCCA Board of Directors, representing the 9<sup>th</sup> Circuit and currently serves as District Representative for the Northern District of California, serves as Chair of Professional Development Committee and the Carol C. Fitzgerald Scholarship Committee. Received Special Service Award at 2007 Annual Conference in Tempe for contributions to FCCA.

**Spread the word, get involved and make your mark in the FCCA. Contact your local Representative to volunteer on a variety of FCCA committees.**