

FCCA PUBLIC SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENT

James "Jimmy" Purvis, Deputy Clerk, Middle District of Louisiana, is the first recipient of FCCA's Public Service Award. This award, which includes a cash award of \$1,500, has been established to recognize and reward front line deputy clerks who consistently render outstanding service to the public.

Jimmy is being recognized for over ten years of outstanding service to the public, first as a deputy in the Records Section of the Clerk's Office, and then as a deputy in the Intake Section. In nominating Jimmy for this award, Richard Martin, Clerk, District Court for the Middle District of Louisiana, indicated that throughout his career Jimmy has always placed a high premium on courteous and efficient service to the public. He said that Jimmy completely revamped the Records area, making it more user-friendly. In addition, surveys have shown that the Intake Section where Jimmy worked consistently rendered excellent service to the public and responded to their questions knowledgeably and in a timely fashion.

Jimmy has been the District's FCCA representative for ten years and in this capacity has organized blood drives, meals for the homeless, food barrels and Toys for Tots for many years.

In notifying Jimmy that he was the first recipient of this award, Jim Davey, FCCA Foundation Board Member, told Jimmy that because this was the first time this award was being granted, the committee (Jim McCormack, Chair, FCCA Clerks Council, Nadine Smith, Chair, FCCA Deputy Clerks Council, and Jim) wanted to be sure that only a person with superb qualifications would be selected. The committee is confident that Jimmy is more than deserving of the award.

The award will be formally presented to Jimmy at this year's FCCA Conference in Miami in August.