



## *Full Agenda*

### **Mississippi Trial & Appellate New Judges Orientation**

Jackson Marriott - Jackson, Mississippi

December 2-7, 2018

#### **Sunday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>**

4:00-5:00 p.m.          Early Registration          Mezzanine

#### **Monday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>**

6:45-8:00 a.m.          Breakfast Buffet          Served in Churchill I & II

7:30-8:00 a.m.          Registration, Continued          Mezzanine

8:00-8:30 a.m.          Breakfast Meeting:          Windsor I  
**MJC Welcome and Course Overview**

*Randy Pierce*

*MJC Director*

*Ramey Smith*

*MJC Program Manager*

8:30 a.m.          Shuttle to the Carroll Gartin Justice Building

9:00-9:30 a.m.          **Welcome to the Bench**          Supreme Court Meeting Room

*Hon. William L. Waller, Jr.*

*Chief Justice*

*Mississippi Supreme Court*

*Jackson, Mississippi*

*Hon. L. Joseph Lee*

*Chief Judge*

*Mississippi Court of Appeals*

*Jackson, Mississippi*

9:30-10:30 a.m.          **Now That You're a Judge, Letting Go of the Lawyer in You**

*Hon. Latrice Westbrooks*

*Judge*

*Mississippi Court of Appeals*

*Jackson, Mississippi*

10:30-11:00 a.m.          **Preparing to Take the Bench**

*Carol Allgood*

*Director*

*Mississippi Supreme Court Office of Finance*

*Jackson, Mississippi*

11:00 a.m.          Tour of the Carroll Gartin Justice Building

11:50 a.m.          Shuttle to the Jackson Marriott

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- 12:00-1:00 p.m. Lunch Served in Churchill I & II
- 1:00-1:10 p.m. General Sessions: Windsor I  
**Introduction to the Mississippi Administrative Office of Courts**  
*Kevin Lackey*  
*Director*  
*Administrative Office of Courts*  
*Jackson, Mississippi*
- 1:10-1:30 p.m. **Working with Interpreters in the Courtroom**  
*Lisa Counts*  
*Deputy Director*  
*Administrative Office of Courts*  
*Jackson, Mississippi*
- 1:30-1:50 p.m. **Courts & the Media Issues**  
*Beverly Kraft*  
*Public Information Officer*  
*Administrative Office of Courts*  
*Jackson, Mississippi*
- 1:50-2:00 p.m. Break
- 2:00-2:30 p.m. **PERS & Deferred Compensation**  
*Monica Cowans*  
*PERS of Mississippi*  
*Jackson, Mississippi*  
  
*Shannon Anderson*  
*Mississippi Deferred Compensation*  
*Jackson, Mississippi*
- 2:30-3:00 p.m. **Mississippi Electronic Courts**  
*Nathan Evans*  
*Director*  
*Mississippi Electronic Courts*  
*Jackson, Mississippi*
- 3:00-3:30 p.m. **Lawyers & Judges Assistance Program**  
*Chip Glaze*  
*Director*  
*Lawyers & Judges Assistance Program*  
*The Mississippi Bar*  
*Jackson, Mississippi*
- 3:30-3:45 p.m. Break
- 3:45-4:45 p.m. **Role of the Mississippi Commission on Judicial Performance**  
*Darlene Ballard*  
*Executive Director*  
*Mississippi Commission on Judicial Performance*  
*Jackson, Mississippi*  
  
*Rachel Michel*  
*Senior Staff Attorney*  
*Mississippi Commission on Judicial Performance*  
*Jackson, Mississippi*

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**Tuesday, December 4<sup>th</sup>**

6:45-8:00 a.m.	Breakfast Buffet	Served in Churchill I & II
8:00-8:50 a.m.	<b>Access to Justice</b> <i>Nicole H. McLaughlin</i> <i>Executive Director</i> <i>Mississippi Access Justice Commission</i> <i>Jackson, Mississippi</i>  <i>Hon. Jacqueline Mask</i> <i>First District Chancery Court Judge</i> <i>Tupelo, Mississippi</i>  <i>Rodger Wilder</i> <i>Balch &amp; Bingham, LLP</i> <i>Gulfport, Mississippi</i>	Windsor I
8:50-9:00 a.m.	Break	
9:00-9:50 a.m.	<b>Racial &amp; Gender Bias in the Courts</b> <i>Hon. Virginia Carlton</i> <i>Judge</i> <i>Mississippi Court of Appeals</i> <i>Jackson, Mississippi</i>	
9:50-10:00 a.m.	Break	
10:00-10:50 a.m.	<b><u>Contempt of Court</u></b> <i>Hon. Percy L. Lynchard, Jr.</i> <i>Third District Chancery Court Judge</i> <i>Hernando, Mississippi</i>	
10:50-11:00 a.m.	Break	
11:00-11:50 a.m.	<b><u>Disqualification &amp; Recusal</u></b> <i>Darlene Ballard</i> <i>Executive Director</i> <i>Mississippi Commission on Judicial Performance</i> <i>Jackson, Mississippi</i>  <i>Hon. Larry Roberts</i> <i>Senior Status Judge</i> <i>Meridian, Mississippi</i>	
12:00-1:00 p.m.	Lunch	Served in Churchill I & II
1:00-1:50 p.m.	<b><u>Judge &amp; Court Reporter Synergy</u></b> <i>Hon. Robert G. Clark III</i> <i>Eleventh District Chancery Court Judge</i> <i>Lexington, Mississippi</i>  <i>LaTanya "LT" Allen</i> <i>Official Chancery Court Reporter</i> <i>Lexington, Mississippi</i>	
1:50-2:00 p.m.	Break	

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2:00-2:50 p.m. **Function of and Working with the Court Administrator**

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Chancery Judges</b> Winston I &amp; II</p> <p><b>Function of and Working with the Court Administrator</b></p> <p><i>Noelle McKinnon Chancery Court Administrator Laurel, Mississippi</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Circuit Judges</b> Canterbury</p> <p><u><b>Function of and Working with the Court Administrator</b></u></p> <p><i>Frances Ashley Circuit Court Administrator Jackson, Mississippi</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>County Judges</b> Surrey I &amp; II</p> <p><u><b>Function of and Working with the Court Administrator</b></u></p> <p><i>Paul Bowen Rankin County Ct. Administrator Pelahatchie, Mississippi</i></p> <p><i>Thelma Donley LeFlore County Ct. Administrator Greenwood, Mississippi</i></p>
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2:50-3:00 p.m. Break

3:00-4:50 p.m. Breakout Sessions:

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Chancery Judges</b> Winston I &amp; II</p> <p><b>The Chancery Court</b></p> <p><i>Hon. Jaye A. Bradley 16<sup>th</sup> District Chancery Court Judge Pascagoula, Mississippi</i></p> <p><i>Hon. Deborah Gambrell 10<sup>th</sup> District Chancery Court Judge Hattiesburg, Mississippi</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Circuit Judges</b> Canterbury</p> <p><b>The Circuit Court</b></p> <p><i>Hon. Winston Kidd 7<sup>th</sup> District Circuit Court Judge Jackson, Mississippi</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>County Judges</b> Surrey I &amp; II</p> <p><u><b>The County Court</b></u></p> <p><i>Hon. James Kent McDaniel Rankin County Court Judge Brandon, Mississippi</i></p>
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**Wednesday, December 5<sup>th</sup>**

6:45-8:00 a.m. Breakfast Buffet Served in Churchill I & II

8:00-11:50 a.m. Breakout Sessions:

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8:00-11:50 a.m. Breakout Sessions:

<b>Chancery Judges</b> Winston I & II	<b>Circuit and County Judges</b> Windsor I
8:00-8:50 a.m. <b><u>Probate &amp; Will Contests</u></b> <i>Hon. Dorothy W. Colom</i> <i>Fourteenth District Chancery Court Judge</i> <i>Columbus, Mississippi</i>  <i>Hon. Debbra K. Halford</i> <i>Fourth District Chancery Court Judge</i> <i>Meadville, Mississippi</i>	8:00-8:50 a.m. <b>The Selection of a Jury</b> <i>Hon. Lisa P. Dodson</i> <i>Second District Circuit Court Judge</i> <i>Gulfport, Mississippi</i>  <i>Hon. Charlie Brett</i> <i>Lee County Court Judge</i> <i>Tupelo, Mississippi</i>
8:50-9:00 a.m. Break	8:50-9:00 a.m. Break
9:00-9:50 a.m. <b>Administration of Intestate Estates</b> <i>Judge Colom</i> <i>Judge Halford</i>	9:00-9:50 a.m. <b>Procedures for a Batson Challenge and Hearing</b> <i>Judge Dodson</i> <i>Judge Brett</i>
9:50-10:00 a.m. Break	9:50-10:00 a.m. Break
10:00-10:50 a.m. <b>Paternity Suits</b> <i>Judge Colom</i> <i>Judge Halford</i>	10:00-10:50 a.m. <b>Selected Mississippi Rules of Civil Procedure and Uniform Civil Rules of Circuit and County Court Practice</b> <i>Judge Dodson</i> <i>Judge Brett</i>
10:50-11:00 a.m. Break	10:50-11:00 a.m. Break
11:00-11:50 a.m. <b>Inheritance by Illegitimates</b> <i>Judge Colom</i> <i>Judge Halford</i>	11:00-11:50 a.m. <b>Selected Mississippi Rules of Criminal Procedure</b> <i>Judge Dodson</i> <i>Judge Brett</i>

12:00-1:00 p.m. Lunch Served in Churchill I & II

1:00-4:50 p.m. Breakout Sessions:

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1:00-4:50 p.m. Breakout Sessions:

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Chancery Judges</b> Winston I &amp; II</p> <p>1:00-1:50 p.m. <b>Mississippi Rules of Civil Procedure in Chancery Court Proceedings</b> <i>Hon. Ronald Doleac</i> <i>Tenth District Chancery Court Judge</i> <i>Hattiesburg, Mississippi</i></p> <p><i>Hon. Denise Owens</i> <i>Fifth District Chancery Court Judge</i> <i>Jackson, Mississippi</i></p> <p><i>Hon. Patricia Wise</i> <i>Fifth District Chancery Court Judge</i> <i>Jackson, Mississippi</i></p> <p>1:50-2:00 p.m. Break</p> <p>2:00-2:50 p.m. <b>Uniform Chancery Court Rules</b> <i>Judge Doleac</i> <i>Judge Owens</i> <i>Judge Wise</i></p> <p>2:50-3:00 p.m. Break</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Circuit and County Judges</b> Windsor I</p> <p>1:00-2:15 p.m. <b>Evidence</b> <i>Hon. Robert P. Chamberlin</i> <i>Justice</i> <i>Mississippi Supreme Court</i> <i>Jackson, Mississippi</i></p> <p>2:15-2:30 p.m. Break</p> <p>2:30-3:30 p.m. <b>Eminent Domain</b> <i>Chris Howdeshell</i> <i>Pittman Law Firm</i> <i>Hattiesburg, Mississippi</i></p> <p><i>Jack Pittman</i> <i>Pittman Law Firm</i> <i>Hattiesburg, Mississippi</i></p> <p><i>Roy Tipton</i> <i>Assistant Attorney General</i> <i>Jackson, Mississippi</i></p> <p>3:30-3:50 p.m. Break</p>		
<p>3:00-3:50 p.m. <b>Divorce &amp; Child Custody</b> <i>Judge Doleac</i> <i>Judge Owens</i> <i>Judge Wise</i></p> <p>3:50-4:00 p.m. Break</p> <p>4:00-4:50 p.m. <b>Alimony &amp; Separate Maintenance</b> <i>Judge Doleac</i> <i>Judge Owens</i> <i>Judge Wise</i></p>	<table border="1" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td data-bbox="815 1079 1159 1694"> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Circuit Judges</b> Canterbury</p> <p>3:50-4:50 p.m. <b>Mississippi Tort Claims Act</b> <i>Hon. James Maxwell II</i> <i>Justice</i> <i>Mississippi Supreme Court</i> <i>Jackson, Mississippi</i></p> </td> <td data-bbox="1159 1079 1498 1694"> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>County Judges</b> Surrey I &amp; II</p> <p>3:50-4:50 p.m. <b>Civil Proceedings in County Court</b> <i>Hon. Edwin Y. Hannan</i> <i>Madison County Ct Judge</i> <i>Canton, Mississippi</i></p> </td> </tr> </table>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Circuit Judges</b> Canterbury</p> <p>3:50-4:50 p.m. <b>Mississippi Tort Claims Act</b> <i>Hon. James Maxwell II</i> <i>Justice</i> <i>Mississippi Supreme Court</i> <i>Jackson, Mississippi</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>County Judges</b> Surrey I &amp; II</p> <p>3:50-4:50 p.m. <b>Civil Proceedings in County Court</b> <i>Hon. Edwin Y. Hannan</i> <i>Madison County Ct Judge</i> <i>Canton, Mississippi</i></p>
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**Thursday, December 6<sup>th</sup>**

6:45-8:00 a.m. Breakfast Buffet Served in Churchill I & II

8:00-11:50 a.m. Breakout Sessions:

<b>Chancery Judges</b> Winston I & II	<b>Circuit and County Judges</b> Windsor I
<p>8:00-8:50 a.m. <b>Adoption</b> <i>Hon. Lawrence Primeaux</i> <i>Twelfth District Chancery Court Judge</i> <i>Meridian, Mississippi</i></p> <p><i>Hon. George Ward</i> <i>Seventeenth District Chancery Court Judge</i> <i>Natchez, Mississippi</i></p>	<p>8:00-9:50 a.m. <b>Sentencing Options</b> <i>Hon. James T. Kitchens, Jr.</i> <i>Sixteenth District Circuit Court Judge</i> <i>Starkville, Mississippi</i></p> <p><i>Hon. Smith Murphey V</i> <i>Seventeenth District Circuit Court Judge</i> <i>Batesville, Mississippi</i></p>
<p>8:50-9:00 a.m. Break</p>	<p>9:50-10:00 a.m. Break</p>
<p>9:00-9:50 a.m. <b>Termination of Parental Rights</b> <i>Judge Primeaux</i> <i>Judge Ward</i></p>	<p>10:00-10:50 a.m. <b>Drug Courts</b> <i>Hon. Andrew K. Howorth</i> <i>Third District Circuit Court Judge</i> <i>Oxford, Mississippi</i></p>
<p>9:50-10:00 a.m. Break</p>	<p><i>Hon. Michael Taylor</i> <i>Fourteenth District Circuit Court Judge</i> <i>Brookhaven, Mississippi</i></p>
<p>10:00-10:50 a.m. <b>Minor's Business</b> <i>Judge Primeaux</i> <i>Judge Ward</i></p>	<p>10:50-11:00 a.m. Break</p>
<p>10:50-11:00 a.m. Break</p>	<p>11:00-11:50 a.m. <b>Drug Courts</b> <i>Judge Howorth</i> <i>Judge Taylor</i></p>
<p>11:00-11:50 a.m. <b>Commitments</b> <i>Judge Primeaux</i> <i>Judge Ward</i></p>	

12:00-1:00 p.m. Lunch Served in Churchill I & II

1:00-4:50 p.m. Breakout Sessions:

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1:00-4:50 p.m. Breakout Sessions:

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Chancery Judges</b> Winston I &amp; II</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Circuit Judges</b> Canterbury</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>County Judges</b> Surrey I &amp; II</p>
<p>1:00-1:50 a.m. <b>Guardians &amp; Conservators</b> <i>Hon. Joseph Kilgore</i> <i>6<sup>th</sup> District Chancery Court Judge</i> <i>Philadelphia, Mississippi</i></p> <p><i>Richard A. Courtney</i> <i>Frascogna Courtney PLLC</i> <i>Jackson, Mississippi</i></p> <p>1:50-2:00 p.m. Break</p> <p>2:00-2:50 p.m. <b><u>Real Estate Proceedings</u></b> <i>Hon. D. Neil Harris</i> <i>16<sup>th</sup> District Chancery Court Judge</i> <i>Pascagoula, Mississippi</i></p> <p><i>Hon. Ed Patten</i> <i>15<sup>th</sup> District Chancery Court Judge</i> <i>Hazlehurst, Mississippi</i></p> <p>2:50-3:00 p.m. Break</p> <p>3:00-3:50 p.m. <b>Annexation &amp; Bond Validation</b> <i>Judge Harris</i> <i>Judge Patten</i></p> <p>3:50-4:00 p.m. Break</p> <p>4:00-4:50 p.m. <b><u>Child Support</u></b> <i>Lindsay L. Irwin</i> <i>MS Department of Human Services</i> <i>Jackson, Mississippi</i></p> <p><i>Clark Hunter</i> <i>MS Department of Human Services</i> <i>Jackson, Mississippi</i></p> <p><i>David Love</i> <i>MS Department of Human Services</i> <i>Jackson, Mississippi</i></p> <p><i>Jeremy Smith</i> <i>MS Department of Human Services</i> <i>Jackson, Mississippi</i></p>	<p>1:00-2:50 p.m. <b>Unique Features of the Capital Case</b></p> <p>1:00-1:20 p.m. <i>Jason Davis</i> <i>Office of the Attorney General</i> <i>Jackson, Mississippi</i></p> <p>1:20-1:40 p.m. <b><u>Public Defender PowerPoint</u></b> <i>André de Gruy</i> <i>Office of the State Public Defender</i> <i>Jackson, Mississippi</i></p> <p>1:40-1:50 p.m. Break</p> <p>1:50-2:50 p.m. <i>Hon. Dale Harkey</i> <i>19<sup>th</sup> District Circuit Judge</i> <i>Pascagoula, Mississippi</i></p> <p><i>Hon. Kathy King Jackson</i> <i>19<sup>th</sup> District Circuit Judge</i> <i>Pascagoula, Mississippi</i></p> <p>2:50-3:00 p.m. Break</p> <p>3:00-4:50 p.m. <b>Appeals to Circuit Court</b> <i>Hon. Prentiss Harrell</i> <i>15<sup>th</sup> District Circuit Court Judge</i> <i>Purvis, Mississippi</i></p>	<p>1:00-1:50 p.m. <b><u>Youth Court</u></b> <i>Hon. Tom Broome</i> <i>Rankin County Court Judge</i> <i>Brandon, Mississippi</i></p> <p><i>Hon. John Hudson</i> <i>Jurist in Residence</i> <i>Natchez, Mississippi</i></p> <p><i>Hon. Mike McPhail</i> <i>Forrest County Court Judge</i> <i>Hattiesburg, Mississippi</i></p> <p>1:50-2:00 p.m. Break</p> <p>2:00-2:50 p.m. <b>Youth Court ...</b> - <b><u>MDCPS Flowcharts</u></b> <i>Judge Broome</i> <i>Judge Hudson</i> <i>Judge McPhail</i></p> <p>2:50-3:00 p.m. Break</p> <p>3:00-3:50 p.m. <b>Youth Court ...</b> <i>Judge Broome</i> <i>Judge Hudson</i> <i>Judge McPhail</i></p> <p>3:50-4:00 p.m. Break</p> <p>4:00-4:50 p.m. <b>Appeals to County Court</b> <i>Judge McPhail</i></p>



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**Friday, December 7<sup>th</sup>**

6:45-8:00 a.m.	Breakfast Buffet	Served in Churchill I & II
8:00-8:50 a.m.	General Session: <b>Opening of Court &amp; Courtroom Decorum</b> <i>Hon. Cynthia Lee Brewer</i> <i>Eleventh District Chancery Court Judge</i> <i>Canton, Mississippi</i>	Windsor I
8:50-9:00 a.m.	Break	
9:00-9:50 a.m.	General Session: <b><u>Protection from Domestic Abuse</u></b> <i>Paula Broome</i> <i>Special Assistant Attorney General</i> <i>Domestic Violence Resource Prosecutor</i> <i>Deputy Chief, Bureau of Victim Assistance</i> <i>Jackson, Mississippi</i>	
9:50-10:00 a.m.	Break	
10:00-10:50 a.m.	<b><u>Understanding Mississippi Appeals</u></b> <i>Hon. T. Kenneth Griffis</i> <i>Presiding Judge</i> <i>Mississippi Court of Appeals</i> <i>Jackson, Mississippi</i>	
10:50-11:00 a.m.	Break	
11:00-11:50 a.m.	<b><u>What I Wish I Had Known Before Taking the Bench</u></b> <i>Hon. Christopher Schmidt</i> <i>Second District Circuit Court Judge</i> <i>Gulfport, Mississippi</i>  <i>Hon. Haydn Roberts</i> <i>Twentieth District Chancery Court Judge</i> <i>Brandon, Mississippi</i>	
11:50-Noon	Awarding of Certificates  Closing Remarks  Conclusion of Orientation	



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