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Education has played an enormous role in Judge McMillian's life. She attended law school as a Woodruff Scholar at the University of Georgia School of Law, where she graduated third in her class with highest honors and served as President of the Christian Legal Society. She also graduated with high honors

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Judge Michael P. Boggs was appointed to the Court of Appeals of Georgia on January 6, 2012 by Governor Nathan Deal. On July 31, 2012, Judge Boggs was elected state-wide to serve a six-year term beginning in 2013. Prior to his appointment, Judge Boggs served as a superior court judge for the six-county Waycross Judicial Circuit having been elected to an open seat in 2004. He was re-elected without opposition in 2008. Judge Boggs was raised in Waycross and now lives in Pierce County with his wife, Heather, a kindergarten teacher in the Ware County public school system.

Judge Boggs obtained his undergraduate degree in Political Science and Psychology from Georgia Southern College in 1985. He earned his Juris Doctor degree from Mercer University's Walter F. George School of Law in 1990. While in law school, Judge Boggs was a member of the Moot Court Board and participated on the ABA Moot Court competition team. At Mercer, Judge Boggs was inducted into the Order of Barristers and was elected to the Student Government Association.

Following his graduation from law school, Judge Boggs joined the Atlanta law firm of McKenzie & McPhail where he practiced property insurance defense litigation until 1992, when he returned to his hometown of Waycross. From 1992 to 2004, Judge Boggs maintained a general trial practice specializing in family law, business, real estate, banking, personal injury and general civil litigation matters. Judge Boggs served as a County Attorney, Development Authority Counsel, and as a Special Assistant Attorney General defending the Department of Corrections in inmate constitutional claims litigation.

In 2000, Judge Boggs was elected as a State Representative to the General Assembly and represented Ware, Charlton and Clinch Counties until 2004. While in the legislature, Judge Boggs served on the Judiciary, Public Safety and Government Affairs Committees. Among his legislative accomplishments, Judge Boggs authored the "Child Protection Act", a bill aimed at protecting children from sexual predators. In 2002, Judge Boggs was selected as the "Outstanding Freshmen Member" of the General Assembly by the Legislative Alumni Association and was also recognized by the Editors of Georgia Trend Magazine as one of the "40 under 40" rising stars of Georgia.

Judge Boggs is actively involved in community service. In 2003, Judge Boggs received the Waycross YMCA Community Service Award and was presented the "Legislative Award" from the Association of County Commissioners of Georgia. In 2004, he received the University System of Georgia Foundation Regents Award for Excellence in Education in recognition of his outstanding accomplishments as a lawyer and legislator. Judge Boggs is also a recipient of the Georgia Sheriff's Association "Leadership Award" and was awarded the Georgia District Attorney's Association "Commitment to Justice Award" for his support of law enforcement and victim's rights legislation.

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In 2011, Judge Boggs was elected by his fellow superior court judges to serve as Secretary-Treasurer of the Council of Superior Court judges and also served as Vice Chair of the Council's Legislation Committee. An ardent supporter of accountability courts, Judge Boggs founded the Waycross Judicial Circuit Drug Court Program, served as its Presiding Judge, and served as a member of the Judicial Council of Georgia's Standing Committee on Accountability Courts. Judge Boggs also served in 2011 as a member of the Governor's Judicial Nominating Committee.

Judge Boggs serves on the Foundation Board of Trustees at Waycross College, where he served as a part-time adjunct professor of state and local government. He is a former instructor at the University of Georgia Gary Christie Trial Skills Clinic and previously served on the Foundation Board of Trustees at Okefenokee Technical College, the Waycross YMCA Board of Directors and Rotary International.

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Judge Stephen Louis A. Dillard was appointed as the 73rd judge of the Court of Appeals of Georgia on November 1, 2010 by Governor Sonny Perdue. On July 31, 2012, Judge Dillard was elected by his fellow Georgians to serve a full six-year term on the Court (2013-2018). Prior to his appointment, Judge Dillard was in private practice with James, Bates, Pope & Spivey in Macon, serving as chairman of the firm's appellate practice group.

Judge Dillard was born in Nashville, Tennessee on November 13, 1969. He attended and graduated from Hillwood High School in Nashville, Tennessee, Samford University (B.A. 1992); and the Mississippi College School of Law (J.D., *cum laude*, 1996). In college, Judge Dillard was a member of Sigma Chi and Omicron Delta Kappa. During law school, Judge Dillard was a member of the Moot Court Board, and received the Judge Robert G. Gillespie Outstanding Achievement in Appellate Advocacy Award, as well as the American Jurisprudence Award in Appellate Advocacy. He also reactivated the Mississippi College Chapter of the Federalist Society for Law and Public Policy Studies, serving as its president for three years.

After graduating from law school, Judge Dillard joined the Macon law firm of Stone & Baxter, where he practiced from 1996 until 2001. In September 2001, he left private practice for a two-year period to serve as a law clerk at the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit for Judge Daniel A. Manion (who was appointed by President Ronald Reagan in 1986). In September 2003, Judge Dillard joined James Bates as of counsel, specializing in appellate practice and complex litigation. While in practice, he received an AV® Preeminent™ Peer-Review Rating from Martindale-Hubbell and was named by Super Lawyers as one of Georgia's "rising stars."

Additionally, Judge Dillard was appointed by Governor Sonny Perdue to the Judicial Nominating Commission and the Public Defender Selection Panel for the Macon Judicial Circuit. He is a member of the Speakers Bureau of the Federalist Society for Law and Public Policy Studies, a member of the Board of Advisors of the Atlanta Lawyers Chapter, and previously served as President of the Macon Lawyers Chapter. Judge Dillard has published scholarly essays in the *Encyclopedia of Civil Liberties*, *Encyclopedia of Great American Judges*, and the *Encyclopedia of Great American Lawyers*, as well as, an article in the *Mercer Law Review* regarding the inner workings and culture of the Court of Appeals of Georgia. He was also a participating lawyer with the Criminal Justice Act Appellate Panel for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit, handling *pro bono publico* appeals for indigent individuals. Judge Dillard also served as a legal-policy advisor to Governor Mike Huckabee during the 2008 presidential campaign. Judge Dillard is a member of the State Bar of Georgia's Appellate Practice Section, the Macon Bar Association, the Lawyers Club of Atlanta, the Saint Thomas More Society, the Lamar American Inn of Court, the William Augustus Bootle American Inn of Court, and the Palaver Club of Macon.

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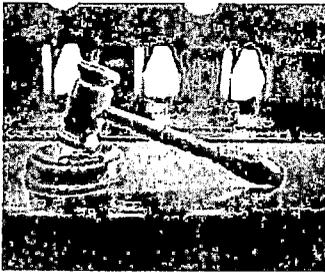
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Lola Diamond - Re: Update For Court History Booklet - McFadden updates

From: Chris McFadden
To: Castlen, Steve
Date: 4/23/2015 3:39 PM
Subject: Re: Update For Court History Booklet - McFadden updates

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Changes in boldface.

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Judge Andrews, Barnes, Ellington, Miller, McFadden, Ray & Branch:

Your submission for any changes to the next edition of the Court History booklet is due tomorrow. (Attached is a copy of the 2013 edition of the Court History book.) Please review your biography, etc. and make all necessary changes. Return the draft to me for updating the Court History for 2015.

If you prefer that we just use the information from our web page, please let me know. Thanks,

Steve

Thank you.

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From: Steve Castlen <castlens@gaappeals.us>
To: Judy Mayer
CC: Lola Diamond
Date: 4/23/2015 5:04 PM
Subject: Re: Judge McFaddne's bio for the Court History

Judy, we will take care of it. Hope you have a good evening,

Steve Castlen
770-367-9261

> On Apr 23, 2015, at 5:00 PM, Judy Mayer <Mayerj@gaappeals.us> wrote:

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> Steve,

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> Judge said he forgot to ask you to remove his membership in the Georgia Association Of Criminal Defense Lawyers and the Georgia Trial Lawyers Association from his bio. He no longer belongs to these groups.

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> Thanks.

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> Judy

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Judge Elizabeth L. Branch (Lisa) was appointed as the 77th judge of the Court of Appeals of Georgia by Governor Nathan Deal, taking office on September 4, 2012.

Prior to her joining the Court of Appeals, Judge Branch was a partner in the litigation department at Smith, Gambrell & Russell, LLP in Atlanta where her practice consisted of commercial litigation and government affairs.

Judge Branch was born in Atlanta, Georgia, in 1968 and was raised in Fulton County. She attended and graduated from The Westminster Schools in Atlanta, Davidson College in North Carolina (B.A., *cum laude*, 1990), and Emory University School of Law (J.D., with distinction, 1994). During law school, Judge Branch was awarded the Charles E. Watkins, Jr. Scholarship, served as the Notes and Comments Editor for the Emory Law Journal, and was inducted into the Order of the Coif.

After graduating from law school, Judge Branch served as a federal law clerk to the Honorable J. Owen Forrester of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Georgia from 1994 to 1996. Following her clerkship, Judge Branch joined Smith, Gambrell & Russell, LLP as an associate in the litigation department.

From 2004-2008, Judge Branch was a senior official in the Administration of President George W. Bush in Washington, D.C. She served first as the Associate General Counsel for Rules and Legislation at the U. S. Department of Homeland Security and then as the Counselor to the Administrator of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs at the U. S. Office of Management and Budget.

Judge Branch was appointed by Governor Deal in 2013 to the Georgia Commission on Child Support. She is a member of the Board of Advisors of the Atlanta Lawyers Chapter for the Federalist Society for Law and Public Policy Studies. Judge Branch also previously and as Vice Chair of the Homeland Security Law Institute. She is a member of the State Bar of Georgia's Appellate Practice Section and is a Master in the Lamar American Inn of Court and the Bleckley American Inn of Court. She was selected for inclusion in *Georgia Super Lawyers* in 2012.

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As a practicing attorney, Judge Doyle received an A.V. peer-reviewed rating from Martindale Hubbell. She was selected as a Georgia Super Lawyer from 2004 to 2008, and in 2006 and 2008, was named one of the top 50 female attorneys in Georgia. She has also been recognized as one of Georgia's legal elite by *Georgia Trend Magazine*.

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Presiding Judge Andrews was born on October 30, 1946 to Jones Garnett Andrews, Sr. and Nancy Blaylock Andrews, members of pioneer Walker and Catoosa County families. Presiding Judge Andrews was reared in Chickamauga, Walker County, Georgia, where he attended public schools and graduated from Gordon Lee High School in 1964. Presiding Judge Andrews received his B.B.A. degree in Accounting from the University of Georgia in 1968, and went on to receive his Juris Doctor from the University of Georgia Law School in 1971. In 1981, he completed a course of study for general jurisdiction trial judges at the National Judicial College.

While attending the University of Georgia, Presiding Judge Andrews was a member of the Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity, Phi Delta Phi Legal Fraternity and Beta Alpha Psi Honorary Accounting Fraternity.

Presiding Judge Andrews was admitted to the Georgia Bar in November 1971 and accepted a position as an Assistant Attorney General under Arthur K. Bolton, Attorney General of Georgia. From 1976 to 1980, Presiding Judge Andrews engaged in the private practice of law in Atlanta and Chickamauga while also serving as a special assistant Attorney General.

In 1980, Presiding Judge Andrews was elected Superior Court Judge of the Lookout Mountain Judicial Circuit (Catoosa, Chattooga, Dade and Walker Counties) and was re-elected to that office in 1984. While a Superior Court Judge, he served on the State Sentence Review Panel and was a member of the Council of Superior Court Judges and the Seventh Judicial Administrative District Council. On May 30, 1985, Governor Joe Frank Harris appointed him Commissioner of the Georgia Public Service Commission. He was subsequently elected to that office in 1986, a position he held until December, 1990. He served as Chair of the Georgia Public Service Commission from 1987 to 1989 and was a member of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners and the Executive Commission of the Southern Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners.

In 1981, Presiding Judge Andrews was named one of Georgia's five outstanding young men by the Georgia Jaycees. He was also a member of Leadership Georgia, Class of 1986. He is a member of the State Bar of Georgia, the Lookout Mountain Bar Association, the Gridiron Secret Society and the Chickamauga First Baptist Church. Judge Andrews has three children: Elizabeth Paige Andrews, Gary B. ("Blake") Andrews, Jr., and Blane A. Andrews. He and his wife, Doris, live in Chickamauga.

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From: Annette Todd
To: Steve Castlen
Date: 4/23/2015 3:27 PM
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The Courtroom has been reserved for June 24.
June 25 is available.

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From: Anne Barnes <judgebarnes@gmail.com>
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A13A 2218 our records do not reflect return of F# 88.748
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Pauper's affidavit filed 1/21/2014

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How to Find a Court Documents and Cases. (INFO ACCESS)

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Georgia Reports and LexisNexis and that have a public

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Published Opinion.

unpublished opinions, available from our Court. There is a \$1.50 charge per

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Lower Court Records.

Note that the original trial court record. Appeals decides a case, the decision is rendered - typically a year later - typically maintains the opinion

maintain the lower-court record. Once the Court of Appeals decision is rendered, the Court of Appeals

Historical Records - Cases/Decisions

Summary. Cases decided before 1993 are maintained at the Georgia Department of Archives and History. A document from a case maintained by the Georgia Archives and providing the information

the Court: maintained by the Clerk's Office. Case number and date of any appeal. Paying a fee of \$1.50 per page. You may view/obtain a copy of the original trial court record.

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\$2,840. for 2000 copies
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Post 1993 Cases - Those Maintained by the Court.

Presently our Court maintains records of cases that are not stored in the Georgia Department of Archives and History. Primarily, cases decided after 1993, i.e., cases beginning with number A94A0001 are stored/maintained by our Clerk. Post-1993 records are maintained in various formats in the Clerk's office; in hard (paper) copy, on our electronic docket, on microfilm, and on a web-based access forum. The Court is working to have all cases in a searchable .pdf format.

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Pre 1993 Cases - Those Stored at the Georgia Department of Archives and History.

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The Accession Number is normally in block # 4 (at the top of the Form labeled "Permanent Records Transfers & Receipt Form"). The Container number is typically in the body of the document next to the case number.

You will find that cases from 1907 to 1974 do not have the "A08A" preface. They merely have the year, a one to three digit case number. That list contains a Box Number and a Location Number. Both those number are important to provide to the Archives.

The documents below are in reverse chronological order. Go to the document that list the year the case was decided. Then locate the case number you want. Then get the data off of that page and provide that to the Archives.

TO DO-IT Projects to Prioritize:

Develop system to identify Conflicts. Allow us to insert attorney names, case names, law firm names - so that the docket will alert us when we docket a case to a judge who has those names listed..

Electronic Voting by judges.

Develop system to allow me to approve Pro Hac Vice and it will automatically give "Bar" Number.

On Web page - Add: "How to Find a Court of Appeals Case". Intro will state that cases after (date) & (case Number) will be on the Court's Web Docket. Cases from (date) and (case number) to (date) and (case number) are located on microfilm at the Court of Appeals. Cases prior to (date) and (case number) are stored at the state archives. To access how to obtain those cases you need ????? Add section to docket/web page that allows access to .pdf searchable (from microfilm) cases and describes where prior cases are in the archives. (Eliminate Lola from describing it each time).

Make improvements to emergency motion e-filings so that Patty, Tabitha and I get an e-mail sent to us when an emergency motion is e-filed.

Require all workers comp to get cases via e-filing. (Presently we mail out for each case.) The average cost of the invoices that Edwin determined came up to \$40.50.

Develop method to get paid for sending copies of opinions and records (when we get electronic records) in .pdf format.

Add instructions on docket regarding how to use .pdf.

Set Margo (Keri? - Christene?) up for work from home?

Add to Docket: "list of all cases in a hold status"

Add docket entry for supreme court remittitur. Add docket entry for case holds and have a report that provides a list of hold cases.

make oral argument recordings available for \$20.

Sealed & Partially Sealed Cases - how to handle.

How do we deal with parental notification cases when we scan in the records - how do we keep them from being accessed by the public and only accessed by the COA?

Make all attorney roster's - historical records - into a .pdf searchable format and added to the docket or web page. (Would the be helpful???)

Recycle all emergency motions - put into .pdf and get rid of all paper copies.

Can the parties complete the docketing sheet entry items as part of their submission?

Check statutory electronic service OCGA 9-11-5

Scan all the historical files into .pdf.

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9-11-5. Service and filing of pleadings subsequent to the original complaint and other papers

(a) Service -- When required. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, every order required by its terms to be served, every pleading subsequent to the original complaint unless the court otherwise orders because of numerous defendants, every written motion other than one which may be heard ex parte, and every written notice, appearance, demand, offer of judgment, and similar paper shall be served upon each of the parties. However, the failure of a party to file pleadings in an action shall be deemed to be a waiver by him or her of all notices, including notices of time and place of trial and entry of judgment, and all service in the action, except service of pleadings asserting new or additional claims for relief, which shall be served as provided by subsection (b) of this Code section.

(b) Same -- How made. Whenever under this chapter service is required or permitted to be made upon a party represented by an attorney, the service shall be made upon the attorney unless service upon the party is ordered by the court. Service upon the attorney or upon a party shall be made by delivering a copy to the person to be served or by mailing it to the person to be served at the person's last known address or, if no address is known, by leaving it with the clerk of the court. As used in this Code section, the term "delivery of a copy" means handing it to the person to be served or leaving it at the person to be served's office with a person in charge thereof or, if such office is closed or the person to be served has no office, leaving it at the person to be served's dwelling house or usual place of abode with some person of suitable age and discretion residing therein. "Delivery of a copy" also means transmitting a copy via e-mail in portable document format (PDF) to the person to be served using all e-mail addresses provided pursuant to subsection (f) of this Code section and showing in the subject line of the e-mail message the words "STATUTORY ELECTRONIC SERVICE" in capital letters. Service by mail is complete upon mailing. Proof of service may be made by certificate of an attorney or of his or her employee, by written admission, by affidavit, or by other proof satisfactory to the court. Failure to make proof of service shall not affect the validity of service.

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