# Chapter Exchange

# FIFTH CIRCUIT

## Mississippi

At the November luncheon, members of the Mississippi Chapter heard U.S. Marshal Nehemiah Flowers speak on the organization and operation of his office. Marshal Flowers, a well-known figure in Jackson, Miss., provided an interesting behind-the-scenes look at the varied responsibilities and duties of his deputy marshals.

## Tenth Circuit

# **Oklahoma City**

On Oct. 23, the Oklahoma City Chapter conducted a mock oral argument regarding the merits of Kennedy v. Louisiana, 128 S. Ct. 2641 (2008). This Supreme Court decision held that the Eighth Amendment barred Louisiana from imposing the death penalty on a defendant convicted of a rape that did not result in death and death was not intended. Professor Randall Coyne, University of Oklahoma School of Law, and Scott Rowland, first assistant district attorney for Oklahoma County were the advocates for the mock oral argument. The three-judge panel consisted of Judge Neil Gorsuch and Judge Jerome Holmes, both of the Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals, and Judge Arlene Johnson of the Oklahoma Court of

Criminal Appeals. The Oklahoma City Chapter hosted a reception following the argument.

On Nov. 13, the Oklahoma City Chapter presented the Third Annual William J. Holloway Jr. Lecture, a program that honors Judge Holloway, who has served on the Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals for more than 40 years. Approximately 100 judges, state officials, and attorneys attended and heard keynote speaker David Boies discuss his reflections on Bush v. Gore. The program also included presentations honoring Judge Holloway by Tom Clark, an attorney at the U.S. Department of Justice; Lt. Gov. Jari Askins; and U.S. Magistrate Judge Bob Bacharach, FBA vice president for the Tenth Circuit. Other attendees included Judge Holloway; Lawrence Baca, FBA national president-elect; Whitney Debevoise, executive director of the World Bank; Judge Jerome Holmes, Judge Lee West, Judge Joe Heaton, and Judge Valerie Couch, all serving on the Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals, and Drew Edmondson, the attorney general of Oklahoma. Eighteen of Judge Holloway's current and former law clerks traveled from Washington, D.C., Virginia, New Mexico, and Kansas to attend the event. The presentations included a congratulatory letter from President George W. Bush

and a gubernatorial proclamation declaring the day "William J. Holloway Jr. Day."

#### ELEVENTH CIRCUIT

#### Broward County

On Oct. 10, more than 50 attorneys attended the Southern District of Florida's orientation entitled "An Afternoon at the Federal Courthouse." The free event included comments from Hon. William J. Zloch; Hon. Robin S. Rosenbaum; Michael Beck of the office of the Clerk of the Court; and Phil Rothschild, federal judicial clerk. Dora Kaufman and Lorianne Williams, both members of the Board of Directors of the Broward County Chapter, organized the event. **TFL** 

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Mississippi Chapter: At the November luncheon—(left photo) Eileen Shaffer, chapter president, and U.S. Marshal Nehemiah Flowers.

Broward County Chapter: At the Southern District of Florida's orientation—(right photo, I to r) Phil Rothschild, clerk to Hon. James I. Cohn; Hon. William J. Zloch; Dora Kaufman, member of the Broward County Chapter Board of Directors; Hon. Robin Rosenbaum; Lorianne Williams, Broward County Chapter treasurer; and Michael Beck of the office of the Clerk of the Court.



Oklahoma City Chapter: At the William J. Holloway Jr. Lecture—(top photo, I to r) David Boies, keynote speaker; Judge Holloway; and Lawrence Baca, FBA national president-elect; (bottom left photo, I to r) Judge Holloway's current and former law clerks: John Constantikes, Whitney DeBevoise, Morton Vigilius, Leslie Batchelor, Brandon Byrne, Doug McBee, Jasper Nzedu, Nick Patterson, Brinda White, Miles Tolbert, Judge Jerome Holmes of the Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals, Mark Spencer, Professor Gloria Valencia-Weber, Kathie Coyle, Wayne Cooper, Tom Clark, and U.S. Magistrate Judge Bob Bacharach (not pictured: Nancy Thompson); (bottom right photo) David Boies, who discussed his reflections on *Bush v. Gore*.







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