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### FIFTH CIRCUIT

#### Mississippi

The July meeting of the Mississippi Chapter featured federal Magistrate Judge Mike Parker, who spoke to an overflow crowd about his judicial philosophy, offered his insights into federal practice, and gave some pointers and suggestions to the practitioners in the group. The chapter bid President Colby Lane farewell as he departs to pursue an MBA degree at Stanford University. Dean Jim Rosenblatt will act as president until the elections.

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### ELEVENTH CIRCUIT

#### North Central Florida

On April 8, the North Central Florida Chapter, in conjunction with the University of Florida Levin College of Law, hosted a half-day program of “techno fun” entitled “Federal Practice in the Electronic Age: Don’t Be a Dinosaur.” The CLE was divided into three panels with guest speakers addressing topics relevant to practicing law in the “electronic age.” Attorneys Bill Hamilton and Adam Losey provided an overview of current electronic discovery issues and conducted a mock Rule 26(f) conference. Attorneys Carl Schwait and Mary K. Wimsett and University of Florida law professor Teresa Rambo

provided guidance on ethical use of web and social media advertising and addressed First Amendment implications and application of the current and proposed Model Rule of Professional Conduct 4-7 to web and social media advertising. Charles Snipes wrapped up the event with a discussion of computer forensics and demonstrated a forensic computer analysis. **TFL**



**Mississippi Chapter:** At the July Meeting—(l to r) Professor Meta Copeland, Mississippi College School of Law, chapter secretary; Ryan Beckett, Butler Snow, chapter vice president; Dean Jim Rosenblatt, Mississippi College School of Law, incoming chapter president; Colby Lane, Office of the Governor, outgoing chapter president; Magistrate Judge Mike Parker, featured speaker; and Kate Margolis, Bradley Arant, chapter treasurer.

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## | Sections and Divisions |

#### Section on Taxation

On July 28, the Section on Taxation held its annual “Careers in Tax Law” luncheon. This year, nearly 90 law students attended the event held at the Georgetown University Law Center. The main speakers included Hon. Mark Holmes, U.S. Tax Court; George Bostick, benefits tax counsel, U.S. Department of Treasury; Linda Kroening, division counsel, Large Business & International, Internal Revenue Service Office of Chief

Counsel; Joe Sergi, senior litigation counsel, U.S. Department of Justice Tax Division; Lily Batchelder, tax counsel, Senate Finance Committee (Majority); Jennifer Acuña, tax counsel, Ways and Means Oversight Subcommittee (Majority); David Blair, member, Miller Chevalier; and Ellen McCarthy, managing director of government affairs, Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association. The panelists discussed their experiences and gave their perspectives on

the practice of federal tax law. **TFL**

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