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## FIFTH CIRCUIT

### Mississippi Chapter

The Mississippi Chapter hosted an event featuring Chief Judge Michael P. Mills of the Northern District of Mississippi. Chief Judge Mills provided the members with a history of the divisions in the Northern District and the issues created by courthouses and populations shifts. In particular, he noted that jury selection is problematic with the current divisions. He outlined a proposal to reformulate the divisions in the district in order to provide a more even distribution of the popula-

tion, to ensure the presence of a federal courthouse in the district, and to locate the venues for jury travel more centrally.

Chief Judge Mills conveyed his points with an aptly illustrated slide show and also shared with the audience some accounts from his popular book, *Twice Told Tombigbee Tales*. A fellow author—Chief Administrative Law Judge Jim Fraiser of the Social Security Administration—was a special guest.

## EIGHTH CIRCUIT

### Iowa Chapter

The Iowa Chapter presented outgoing Region 12 Trustee Habbo Fokkena with an award of merit for his distinguished service during his tenure as a U.S. trustee with the Department of Justice. **TFL**

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**Mississippi Chapter:** At the January Meeting—(left photo, l to r) Professor Meta Copeland, Mississippi College School of Law, chapter secretary; Ryan Beckett, Butler Snow, chapter vice president; Chief Judge Michael P. Mills, Northern District of Mississippi, speaker; Dean Jim Rosenblatt, Mississippi College School of Law, chapter president; Krystal Walker, law clerk to Judge Mills; and Kate Margolis, Bradley Arant, chapter treasurer.



**Iowa Chapter:** At the chapter's presentation of an award of merit for distinguished service—(right photo, l to r) Habbo Fokkena, outgoing Region 12 trustee and award recipient, and Bob Gainer, chapter president.

**Southern District of Texas Chapter:** At the reception following the investiture of U.S. Magistrate Judge Diana Song Quiroga—(l to r) Daniel David Hu, director and former chapter president; Judge Song Quiroga; Judge Nancy F. Atlas, U.S. district judge and FBA judicial liaison; and Gracie Lindberg, chapter director.

