

FormanWatkins Co-Hosts and Volunteers at Local Pro Se Legal Clinic

On Friday, July 26, 2019, attorneys and summer associates from our Jackson office were among those who volunteered at the Hinds County Family Law and Expungement Clinic, a *pro se* legal clinic held at the Hinds County Chancery Courthouse. The clinic assisted individuals with a variety of legal matters, including uncontested ID divorces, uncontested guardianships, uncontested emancipations, custody changes, name changes/birth certificate corrections, simple wills, and felony and misdemeanor expungements.

The clinic was hosted by the Fifth Chancery District (Hinds County Chancery Court), Mission First, the Mississippi Volunteer Lawyers Project, Forman Watkins & Krutz LLP, AARP, Mississippi College School of Law, Mississippi Center for Legal Services, and the Capital Area Bar Association.

Pro Bono Committee member Mimi Arthur: "FormanWatkins attorneys have enjoyed the *pro* se clinics we've co-hosted with MVLP the past few years, and we were very excited to participate in this larger clinic with several other groups and the Hinds County chancellors. This clinic allowed our attorneys and summer clerks a chance to provide one-on-one legal advice to clients, and this work directly supports our belief that pro bono service is an important element of every attorney's professional responsibility. We were encouraged by the success of this clinic, and we look forward to participating in future events."







Pictured clockwise from top: Jackson summer clerk Corban Snider and Jackson attorney Ruth Maron; Jackson attorney Mary Clift Abdalla; Jackson attorney Elizabeth Penn; and Jackson attorney Mimi Arthur and summer clerk Sumner Fortenberry. Not pictured: Jackson attorney Mandie Robinson.