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Lynn Davidson retires as Friend of the Court

After 14 years working devotedly as the Friend of the Court for the 16th Judicial Circuit Court, Lynn Davidson is set to retire in January 2015. Lynn received a Bachelor of Science in Labor Relations and Human Resources from Wayne State University, and a Juris Doctor from the Detroit College of Law. Lynn began working in the Office of the Friend of the Court in 1969 and this past September finished her 45th year with the Friend of the Court. Lynn began working as a Judicial Service Officer in 1983. In 1999, she was promoted to IV-D Manager at the Friend of the Court and assumed her current position in 2000.

Thomas Blohm, the Friend of the Court Enforcement Division Director and longtime colleague, stated "Lynn has spent the past 45 years with the Friend of the Court in dedicated service to the families of Macomb County. With her strong leadership she steered the office through some major changes that helped increase efficiency and allowed for better service. The families of Macomb County are better off today because of the job she's done."

Lynn helped push forward many major changes in her time as the FOC. In 2003, FOC began using the state mandated child support enforcement system which involved significant changes in how the FOC operated. In 2005, she spearheaded the implementation of an imaging system. The end result was a significant increase in the office's efficiency that allowed for better service.

Chief Judge John C. Foster remarked "Lynn's 45 years of hard work, dedication and exemplary performance has made Macomb County's Friend of the Court a leader in the field, as acknowledge by her recent award from the Michigan Family Support Council." "It's hard for me to imagine not having Lynn as the FOC. She welcomed me openly when I came to Circuit from my District Court background and helped me learn the ropes at FOC. I have learned a lot from Lynn and will miss having her here as both a friend and colleague," stated Jennifer Phillips, Court Administrator.

A farewell open house will be held in January 2015 at the 16th Judicial Circuit Court. Specific information will be provided as the date approaches. All friends, coworkers and well-wishers are welcome to attend. Although, the Court will greatly miss her in the future, she now deserves time for family and relaxation.

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