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**Clerk's Office Reaches Out to the Community in February**

Winston-Salem NC. February 25, 2013 – Forsyth County Clerk of Superior Court, Susan Frye has always been concerned about the community she serves. Frye has made it a point to stress to the 92 assistant and deputy clerks who work under her that the people come first. She is now taking another step to solidify that philosophy by dispatching Joel McIver, a Deputy Clerk in the Juvenile Division to participate in Hall-Woodard Elementary School's African American Read In on February 28, 2012.

"I'm so honored and excited to be allowed this opportunity to give back to the community on behalf of the clerk's office," said McIver. "I believe that participating in these types of events for children may prevent some of them from having to show up on one of our dockets later. Its part of the reason I enjoy working for Ms. Frye, she really cares about others."

Frye wants the public to feel comfortable with her and her employees as well as understand that she is there for them. "We have so many people come through our doors feeling intimidated and I understand why, the Court House can be a pretty intimidating place. But we want people to know that whatever the reason they find themselves in our offices, they will always be treated with respect. That's why I felt it important to participate in the read-in. We want the community to get used to our faces and know that we are a part of the community, not above it," said Frye.

The Clerk has big plans to give her office an inclusive feeling. "As time passes we hope to participate in other community events and possibly hold some events ourselves that our citizens can take part in. We can only strengthen our communities by working together and getting to know one another."

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