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COURT MANAGER HONORED AS FELLOW OF THE INSTITUTE FOR COURT MANAGEMENT

Winnie Webber, Director of the Judicial Information Systems for the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit, has earned the title of Fellow of the Institute for Court Management (ICM). She achieved this status after having completed the requirements of ICM's Court Executive Development Program (CEDP). "We are very proud of Winnie, said Chief Judge Victoria Rossetti, and we congratulate her on this prestigious accomplishment."

The CEDP provides anyone interested in developing a career in the judicial branch of government the opportunity to secure a first-rate education in the field of court management. The purpose of CEDP is leadership development and it is the only program of its kind in the United States. The four phase program was established more than 30 years ago to improve the management of state court administration.

Phase I of the program includes completion of five courses that cover topics of court performance standards, caseload management, technology management, fiscal management, and human resources. Phase II is a three month distance learning requirement devoted to preparing participants with preliminary research skills. This phase emphasizes the application of theory and development of critical thinking as it pertains to court programs and operations. In Phase III, the student is required to do an independent study and evaluation of a key court function in their local court operation and then prepare a master's-level research paper that must be approved by the CEDP director. In Phase IV, the research project is presented before and evaluated by panel members of the National Center for State Courts and Fellows of the Institute for Court Management.

Winnie Webber and 21 other court professionals around the country and Trinidad and Tobago were honored in a graduation ceremony lead by U.S. Supreme Court Chief Justice John G. Roberts, Jr. at the U.S. Supreme Court in Washington, D.C. on May 14, 2010.

More than 1,100 court professionals from the United States and 12 foreign countries have become Fellows. Four staff members of the 19th Judicial Circuit have earned this distinction.

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