

Celia Rodenmeyer Retires after 35 Years with the Court

On September 30, 2020, Celia Rodenmeyer, the Bankruptcy Court's Human Resources Manager, retired after 35 years of service.

During the Virtual Tampa Employee Recognition Awards Ceremony on September 4th Chief Judge Delano expressed her deep appreciation for Celia's contributions over the past 35 years. Judge Delano recognized Celia's outstanding performance and the tireless effort that were the hallmarks of Celia's career. Judge Delano also spotlighted certain high points of Celia's time with the Court.

Celia began as a Case Administrator on September 18, 1985 and within two years was promoted to Supervisor. She held the position of Administrative Analyst and then Personnel Specialist until she was promoted to Human Resources Manager in 1999. In her twenty years as Human Resources Manager, Celia was a prominent figure in the Court and touched every one of our lives in some way. Celia trained us on innumerable topics and always readily offered her guidance and wisdom. Celia led us through CPS conversion, introduced us to HRMIS, and was a driving force in the development and implementation of ePerformance. Her dedication to the Website Committee has empowered Court staff with the ability to easily and quickly access volumes of information. Up until her very last days, Celia was providing the Court with invaluable tools to use far into the future.

Celia did not want a large retirement celebration, so on September 24th a small group gathered in Tampa to celebrate Celia and her well-deserved retirement. Several judges and staff members spoke very fondly of Celia, her perpetual calm demeanor, her kindness, and what her many contributions meant to them. Celia also shared funny stories of when she first started with the Court as a Case Manager. She reminisced about having to keep her knee on the paper tray of the copy machine because it would not latch and having only one computer to be shared by all the case managers. The good old days!

Celia was proud of her career with the Court and said she would miss interacting with everyone. As Judge Delano commented, Celia will be deeply missed, but her defining impact on the Court will make her often remembered.

Congratulations Celia!



Pictured behind the masks (Left to Right): Clerk Sheryl Loesch, Celia Rodenmeyer, Chief Judge Delano, Judge Williamson, and Judge Colton



Pictured (Left to Right): Judge McEwen, Celia Rodenmeyer, and Dedra Gann