



Dear Arkansas City Clerks Recorders and Treasurers,

My desire to become a city clerk lurked in the back of my mind for several years before the opportunity presented itself for me to run for office. It has been an honor and privilege to serve the citizens of the city of North Little Rock and it is now an honor and privilege to serve as your president.

Special thanks go to Peggy for her service to our organization along with the other officers and board members. A lot has happened during the past couple of years, including devising a state certification program for Arkansas clerks. All Arkansas clerks have the opportunity to achieve this honor. Special thanks go to the members of the Education Committee and Kim Jones, Institute Director.

Exciting times are on the horizon for all of us. District meetings are a great way to learn more about our jobs, our state and our peers. The annual IIMC Institute in Fayetteville will be in September. This is an intensive week of learning and I encourage each of you to attend. Your time and money will not be wasted.

To each of you, I want to remind you who you are and what you stand for. What better way, than to include a paraphrase from our own IIMC newsletter and 2006 Handbook:

“The clerk’s office can be truly called the hub of local government. It is the clerk who is the contact between the citizens and the government. It is the clerk to whom most complaints are brought. The clerk gives advice on many subjects, not necessarily relating to government, but by the clerk’s contact with the public, they, for a great part, place confidence in the clerk as the one who can answer most any question. The clerk, if desired, can wield a great measure of influence in the community.”

Our organization has a great history. I look forward to meeting and working with each of you as we add our own pages to that history.

Sincerely,

Diane Whitbey, CMC

President, Arkansas City Clerks Recorders and Treasurers Association 2006-07

Special thanks to each of the officers, and each of you who have agreed to serve on an ACCRTA committee. I look forward to exciting times this year and am delighted to have the support of you all.

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