## **Hinds County Drug Court graduation is June 18**

June 13, 2007

Four people are expected to graduate from the Hinds County Drug Court on Monday, June 18. The graduation ceremony is scheduled for 6 p.m. in the second floor east wing courtroom at the Hinds County Courthouse at 407 East Pascagoula Street in Jackson.

State Auditor Phil Bryant will be the guest speaker.

Hinds County Court Judge William Skinner, who oversees the felony Drug Court program, will preside over the graduation ceremony.

The graduation is the seventeenth ceremony for the Hinds County felony adult Drug Court program. After the graduation, 72 people will remain enrolled in the program; 119 people have previously graduated from the program. The Hinds County felony adult Drug Court has been in operation since January 2000.

Mississippi has 19 drug courts - 14 adult drug courts and five juvenile drug courts. Eleven other programs are in planning stages.

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