

## PROFILES IN SERVICE

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### • ELIZABETH "LIZ" HUNTLEY •

Elizabeth "Liz" Huntley has become a well-known child advocate in Alabama. A 1997 graduate of the University of Alabama School of Law, Liz serves on several boards, including Leadership Alabama Board of Directors, Children's First Foundation Board of Directors, Children's Village Board of Directors, Alabama School Readiness Alliance and Project Gear (President and Co-Founder).

In 1994, while beginning her first year in law school, Mrs. Huntley co-founded Project GEAR in Chilton County. Project GEAR is a non-profit organization which works to remove barriers to learning from at-risk youth. Mrs. Huntley has received statewide recognition for her work with the youth in Chilton County. After being featured in articles in the Alabama Lawyer and the Addendum, the Alabama State Bar adopted a resolution honoring her efforts.

Mrs. Huntley's drive for creating a program for the youth in her county came from her pre-law school internship with A+, The Coalition for Better Education. While at A+, Mrs. Huntley worked at the grassroots level and traveled the state to promote a better quality of education for the children of Alabama. She also served as the Education Liaison to the Alabama Legislative Black Caucus.

Following law school, Liz served as Law Clerk to both the Honorable U.W. Clemon, United States District Court Northern District of Alabama, and the Honorable John Bush, 19th Judicial Circuit, State of Alabama. When Liz was a solo practitioner in Chilton County, she served as one of the County's Guardian Ad Litem attorneys representing abused and neglected children. She currently practices at Lightfoot, Franklin and White in Birmingham and participates in the Birmingham Volunteer Lawyers Program and the Volunteer Lawyers Program for the Alabama State Bar.

An active alumnus of the University of Alabama School of Law, Liz now serves as Vice-Chair of the law school's Board of Trustees for Farrah Law Society. She was also recently appointed to the Board of Trustees for Auburn University, where she earned her bachelor's degree.

We are proud to count Liz Huntley among our distinguished graduates.