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## National Association for Court Management (NACM) Presents the Perkins Award

**Milwaukee Wisconsin, July 27, 2022** – At the NACM Annual conference the Association presented the Perkins Award to Zenell Brown. The Perkins Award was established in 2013 to honor long-time association manager, Linda Perkins, who was the first recipient. The award is given to an individual who consistently goes above and beyond to make behind-the-scenes contributions to the field of court administration and/or their court.

**Zenell Brown** is an attorney, mediation trainer, and certified diversity professional. She has spearheaded and contributed to strategic planning, launched self-help initiatives, amnesty programs, and holistic juvenile justice services. She has trained attorneys, correctional professionals, and court professionals on creating a diverse and inclusive work environment, managing the multi-generational workforce, creating pipelines for diverse talents, and measuring inclusion. During the pandemic she authored, “Coffee and Conversations: Inclusion and Belonging,” sharing personal stories to inspire leaders to make inclusion actionable.



Ms. Brown is the Court Administrator for the Third Circuit Court in Detroit, Michigan. She is on faculty for the Institute for Court Management and the Michigan Judicial Institute. She serves on the Michigan Judicial Council. She is the president of the Detroit Affiliate of the Black Child Development Institute, co-chair of diversity for the Detroit Bar Association and Michigan Women Lawyers Association.

Ms. Brown holds a Juris Doctor (Wayne State University Law School), Graduate Certificate in Public Administration (Central Michigan University), and Judicial Administration Certificate (Michigan State University).

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