

Collin County Going the **Extra Mile (GEM)** Recognition Form

Honoree's Name: Stacey Samples
First Name Middle Initial Last Name

Honoree's Job
Title: Court Coordinator – 470th District Court

Department: 470th District Court

Years of Service with the
County: 8-9 years

Why the Honoree is receiving a GEM Award including dates:

Many new reporting requirements were put on the district courts through legislation in the past year including keeping track of trials conducted, continuances requested and continuances granted. Courts are also being tracked for clearance rates now as well. Stacey has spent the 2024-2025 fiscal year tightening up the docket of the 470th. She has gone out of her way to locate cases that can be addressed expeditiously, including child name changes, adult name changes, and pro se cases. Specifically, Stacey sets every pro se case for trial and communicates with pro se litigants very regularly to help them get into court. Stacey is always courteous and polite. The Court regularly receives thank you emails from pro se parties thanking Stacey for her assistance. I regularly hear from practicing attorneys that Stacey is irreplaceable. The 470th District Court is as efficient as it is because Stacey cares about the work being done. She comes in early; stays late; and works non-stop to make sure every case is on track to resolution. I appreciate her and know she can never be replaced.

Approved by elected official or department head on
the September day of 24, 20 25


Signature of Elected Official
Or Department Head

Brook Fulks
Printed Name