

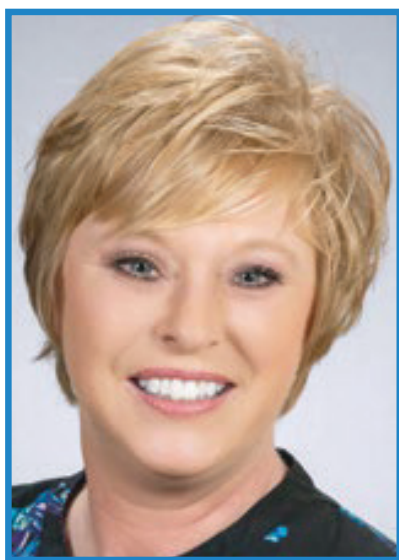


ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT SPECIALIST

MARY HUNTER STARNES

Paralegal

BLANTON, NICKELL, COLLINS, DOUGLAS & HANSCHEN



"Mary can do anything," said Mary Hunter Starnes' nominator. She helps the firm's attorneys with pleadings, briefs and other litigation documents, the preparation of complex estate plans and business documents and trying cases. "There is no aspect of our practice in which she does not provide crucial help."

Tell us about your key accomplishment(s) in this role.

One of my biggest accomplishments has been serving as a paralegal in a medical malpractice defense case that lasted almost five weeks and resulted in a verdict in favor of the defense. It was a lot of hard work and is certainly the longest trial I have ever been involved in. Later, after speaking with some of the jurors, I learned that our firm impressed them with our preparedness. To me, that reflects directly on our firm, and I know that I played a big part in their preparedness.

What is the best career advice you've ever received? Be the hardest worker you know and accept criticism.