

Ceremonial Bill Signing
Governor William Winter
Friday, April 21, 2000
9:30 a.m.

Stand up straight and use low tones.
(I would suggest that you ask Governor Winter to join you)

Good Morning. (Welcome Mrs. Winter and any other special guests)

Thank you all for joining us this morning for the ceremonial signing of House Bill 1548.

It is an honor and a privilege for me to be standing here this morning with Governor Winter.

Most of you know Governor Winter and some of you have had the honor of working with him.

Governor Winter has had a long and varied career that is quite amazing.

His service to his country and to the State of Mississippi is admirable.

Governor Winter served his country in both World War II and the Korean War, and for the State of Mississippi, he has served as a State Representative,

State Treasurer, Lieutenant Governor and served as Governor of our state from 1980 – 1984.

His public and civic involvement is extensive serving currently as a member of the Presidential Advisory Board on Race; Chairman of the National Commission on the State and Local Public Service and President of the Board of the Mississippi Department of Archives and History, just to name a few of the organizations with which he is involved.

You can tell from just the few things that I have mentioned today that Governor Winter has a true love for his state and his country, and he takes the word service to a new level.

We are officially here this morning to sign House Bill 1548.

I don't make it a habit of reading bill's aloud to the assembled audience before we have a signing, but I believe I should make an exception with this bill.

(Read)

Governor Winter, I am honored to sign House Bill 1548.

(Move to sit at the table)

I have to tell you something interesting about the table upon which I am signing this bill. This table is called the Dunbar-Roland table. It was named for Dr. Dunbar Roland, who served as the first Director of the Department of Archives & History.

(Sign the bill)

Stand and shake Governor Winter's hand.

Thank everyone again for coming.