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Georgia Commission on Family Violence Holds Quarterly Meeting in Whitfield County

Dalton, GA – The Georgia Commission on Family Violence (GCFV) held its quarterly meeting on June 22, 2018 at the Dalton-Whitfield County Library. Conasauga Judicial Circuit District Attorney, Bert Poston, hosted GCFV members and staff as well as other local community members engaged in addressing family violence.

"The Georgia Commission on Family Violence is committed to partnering with local communities across Georgia to seek solutions for ensuring everyone is safe in their homes," stated Stephanie Woodard, Chair of GCFV. Ms. Woodard further states, "the residents of the Conasauga Judicial Circuit are fortunate to have a groundbreaking family violence court coordinated by Judge Cindy Morris and supported by an effective coordinated community response to family violence."

GCFV is a state agency that strives to provide leadership to end family violence by promoting safety, ensuring accountability and improving justice for generations to come. GCFV holds four meetings each year across the state. Please visit www.gcfv.ga.gov for information regarding future meetings.

If you or someone you know is being abused, there are community and statewide resources available to you. Call 1-800-33-HAVEN, the toll-free, 24-hour hotline, for a confidential place to get help or find resources.



Pictured above (left to right) Major Thomas Barnard, DNR Law Enforcement Division; Bert Poston, Conasauga Circuit District Attorney; Jennifer Thomas, Executive Director GA Commission on Family Violence; Chief Christine Hudson, Clarkston City Police; Judge Jeanette Little, Troup County State Court; Judge Cindy Morris, Superior Court Conasauga Judicial Circuit; Judge Kathryn Powers, Superior Court Clayton Judicial Circuit; Judge Joe Bishop, Superior Court Pataula Judicial Circuit, Senator Kay Kirkpatrick; Stephanie Woodard, Hall County Solicitor General and Chair of GA Commission on Family Violence; Sheriff Jeff Johnson, Dawson County; Judge Charles Auslander, State Court Athens-Clarke County