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# Rainwater, Holt & Sexton Honors Becky Bruns

Little Rock heroine brings hope and encouragement to expectant mothers

**LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (March 19, 2012)**—Local law firm Rainwater, Holt & Sexton recently honored Becky Bruns, branch director at Bethany Christian Services in Little Rock, for devoting the last 21 years to helping children find loving and safe homes.

The latest honoree of the law firm's The Ripple Effect program, Bruns spent many years working with women who had unplanned pregnancies and came to Bethany to learn about their options. Her first involvement with Bethany was when she and her husband became foster parents for a child awaiting adoption. After that experience, Bruns, who has a degree in social work, realized she could use her education and experience to help others.

"I stood in awe of the strength and courage of the birth mother that day in the hospital, choosing to hurt so that her child had a future and a hope," Bruns said, recalling the first birth mother she counseled. "She became the first of many heroes, and I spent the better

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Mike Rainwater

selflessly dedicated her life to helping

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part of the next 18 years working with these women. They had and have my heart."

Bruns counseled many women with unplanned pregnancies who had little sense of their strengths and the extent of their capabilities. Her goal was to help these women realize their beauty, value, and capability to make the right decisions.

"Becky has a way of making you feel like you can accomplish any goal and that you are important inside and out," said Beth James, administrative assistant at Bethany. "In the 21 years I have known and worked with Becky, she has never ceased to amaze me with her heart."

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A grandmother of five, Bruns explains that heroes are ordinary people who put others first and serve the common good. They provide inspiration and encourage others to let their passion overrun their fears. She says her parents are heroes because they taught her the importance of helping others and setting an example for others to follow.

"I have worked with Becky for nearly five years, and she is an amazing woman," said Janna Vandiver, adoption specialist at Bethany. "Becky's work has impacted the lives of more people than we will ever be able to count, and her contribution is priceless. Her positive attitude is contagious to everyone who meets her."

#### **About Bethany Christian Services**

Founded in 1944, Bethany Christian Services is a nonprofit organization serving orphaned, abandoned, and vulnerable children on five continents. The organization offers pregnancy counseling, adoption, foster care, family preservation, and post-adoption counseling. To learn more, visit www.Bethany.org.

## What's The Ripple Effect?

Rainwater, Holt & Sexton launched The Ripple Effect to shine a spotlight on everyday heroes—people who are engaged in the ministry of a faithful presence—doing what they've been called to do and inspiring others in the process. The Ripple Effect is an ongoing initiative that celebrates and shares the stories of local heroes who continue to make a positive difference. Honorees receive engraved trophies and a charitable donation from the law firm. Nominate a hero and learn more at <a href="https://www.rhsRippleEffect.com">www.rhsRippleEffect.com</a>.

## About Rainwater, Holt & Sexton

Rainwater, Holt & Sexton has successfully litigated a wide range of claims throughout Arkansas. With a staff of more than 50 legal professionals and 14 attorneys, the Little Rock-based law firm focuses on plaintiffs' personal injury law. The firm's lawyers are committed to representing the rights of individuals and take pride in their reputation as knowledgeable litigators and effective negotiators. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.CallRainwater.com">www.CallRainwater.com</a>.

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