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**FOOD FOR THOUGHT PRESENTATION ON AUGUST 18 AT NOON
THE PENALTY FOR SUCCESS: MY FATHER WAS LYNCHED
IN LOWNDES COUNTY, ALABAMA
PRESENTED BY JOSEPHINE B. MCCALL**

Montgomery, AL (7/29/16) - *Food for Thought* continues another year of fascinating and informative lunchtime lectures on the rich history of Alabama at the **Alabama Department of Archives and History** on **Thursday, August 18 at 12:00 pm**. Josephine B. McCall will present *The Penalty for Success: My Father was Lynched in Lowndes County, Alabama*.

Just weeks before Christmas 1947, five-year-old Josephine Bolling learned that her father, Elmore Bolling, was dead. A father of seven, Bolling was a leader in Lowndes County, Alabama's African American community where he served those less fortunate, built a small business, and provided for his family. This month, Bolling's daughter will share her father's powerful story and present convincing evidence that his murder was, in fact, a lynching.

Josephine Bolling McCall is the author of *The Penalty for Success: My Father Was Lynched in Lowndes County, Alabama* published in 2015. She was born in Lowndes County, Alabama and attended G. W. Carver High School, Alabama State University and Auburn University. McCall is a Nationally Certified School Psychologist (Retired), and was the first African American president of the Alabama Association of School Psychologists. She retired as Director of Special Education from the Phenix City Public Schools. After retirement, McCall served as the Director of the Alabama League for the Advancement of Education working with six historically black colleges to provide educational services to public school children. She has served as president of many organizations and currently serves as the president of the Elmore Bolling Foundation which she founded to preserve the legacy of her father. McCall and husband, Charlie, have two children and three grandchildren.

Food for Thought is made possible by the Friends of the Alabama Archives and a grant from the Alabama Humanities Foundation, a state program of the National Endowment for the Humanities. The public is invited to bring a brown bag lunch. Complimentary beverages are provided. **Admission to *Food for Thought* is always FREE.**

The Alabama Department of Archives and History is located in downtown Montgomery, directly across the street from the State Capitol. It is the state's government records repository, special collections library and research facility, and is home to the Museum of Alabama, the state history museum. The Archives and Museum are open Monday through Saturday, 8:30 to 4:30. To learn more, visit www.archives.alabama.gov or call (334) 242-4364.

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