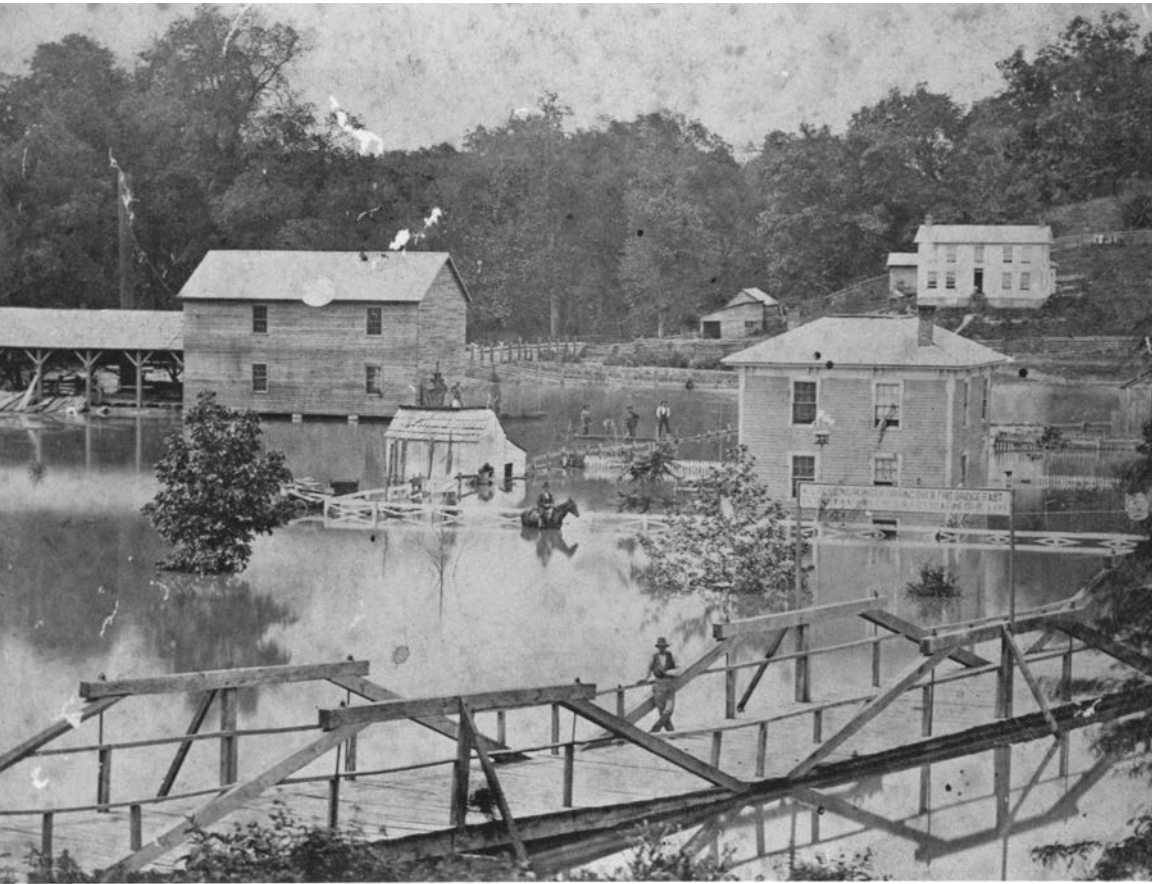




CHAPTER 5

JUDICIAL BRANCH



Tuscumbia, Missouri is flooded by the overflowing Osage River. One man rides horseback through the water, which is up to the horse's belly. *Courtesy of the Missouri State Archives, RG005 Secretary of State Publications Vanishing Missouri Photograph Collection.*



Missouri's Judicial System

From its inception in 1820, Missouri state government constitutionally has been divided into three separate branches—legislative, executive and judicial. The judicial branch's function is not to make the laws of the state or to administer them but to adjudicate the controversies that arise between persons and parties, to determine fairly and justly the guilt or innocence of persons charged with criminal offenses and to interpret the laws of the state as enacted by the legislature and carried out by the executive branch.

The roots of Missouri's judicial branch reach back to the days when Missouri was a part of the Missouri Territory controlled by the French and Spanish. When Missouri officially was organized as a territory in 1812, the judicial power was vested in a superior court, inferior courts and justices of the peace. The Constitution of 1820, the state's first constitution, placed the judicial power in a Supreme Court, chancery courts (later abolished by the General Assembly) and circuit and other courts to be established by the legislature.

Today, Missouri has a three-tier court system. Article V of the constitution, as amended by Missouri voters in 1976, vests the judicial power in a Supreme Court, the state's highest court, with statewide jurisdiction; in a court of appeals consisting of districts established by the General Assembly; and in a system of circuit courts that have original jurisdiction over all cases and matters, civil and criminal.

Effective Jan. 2, 1979, the circuit court system absorbed all former courts of limited jurisdiction and became the state's single trial court. Cases once heard in magistrate and probate courts, in the St. Louis Court of Criminal Corrections, in the Hannibal and Cape Girardeau courts of common pleas, and in municipal and other local courts, now are heard in appropriate divisions of the circuit courts.

All the judges of these former courts have become either circuit, associate circuit or municipal judges. They may hear and determine different classes of cases within their respective circuits. A presiding judge, elected by the other judges in the circuit, has general administrative authority over all judicial personnel in the circuit. He or she may assign other judges throughout the circuit to relieve caseload and administrative backlogs. The Supreme Court and court of appeals have general

superintending control over all courts and tribunals within their jurisdictions. Original remedial writs may be issued and determined at each level of the court system. Decisions of the Supreme Court are controlling in all other state courts.

Selection of Judges

In the first 30 years of Missouri's statehood, the judges of the supreme, circuit and chancery courts were appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. After much public discussion, the constitution was amended in 1850 to provide for the popular election of judges, and this system remains in effect for most Missouri courts today. In most circuits, the judges are elected by the voters in partisan elections.

In 1940, Missouri voters amended the constitution by adopting the "Nonpartisan Selection of Judges Court Plan," which was placed on the ballot by initiative petition and which provides for the nonpartisan (non-political) appointment of certain judges, rather than having them popularly elected.

The constitution, as amended further in 1976, provides that the Nonpartisan Court Plan applies in the Supreme Court, the court of appeals and the circuit courts within the City of St. Louis and Jackson County. In addition, voters in Clay, Greene, Platte and St. Louis counties have elected to institute the plan, and the Kansas City charter extends a nonpartisan selection plan to Kansas City municipal court judges. While all other judges are elected in partisan elections, other judicial circuits may adopt the plan on approval by a majority of the voters in the circuit.

Under the Missouri Plan, as it often is called nationally, a vacancy on a court to which the plan applies is filled through a nonpartisan judicial commission of lay persons and lawyers. The commission selects three persons from those who apply, based on merit. The governor then appoints one of the three. A judge appointed in this way must stand for retention in office at the first general election occurring after the judge has been in office for 12 months. The judge's name is placed on a separate judicial ballot, without political party designation, and the voters must vote either for or against retention in office. The judge's name again is placed on the ballot for a retention vote at certain intervals if the judge wishes to serve subsequent terms. The Missouri Plan has served as a national model for the selection of judges and has been adopted by a number of other states.

Every supreme, appellate, circuit and associate circuit court judge must be licensed to practice law in Missouri. By constitutional amendment and statute, all judges must retire by age 70.



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History and Organization

The Supreme Court has been the state's highest court since 1820, when the first Missouri Constitution was adopted. The earliest court, consisting of only three members, was required to hold sessions in four different judicial circuits in the state. At various times, the court sat in Boonville, Bowling Green, Fayette, Jackson, Jefferson City, Lexington, Palmyra, Potosi, St. Charles, St. Joseph and St. Louis.

Voters increased the size of the Supreme Court to five judges in 1872 and to its present size—seven judges—in 1890. Because of the court's increasing caseload, commissioners were appointed for a brief period in the 1880s. In 1911, the legislature authorized the court to appoint four commissioners, and in 1919, increased the number authorized to six. The commissioners were required to possess the same qualifications as judges of the Supreme Court. They received the same compensation and were appointed for four-year terms. The commissioners heard cases along with the judges, and their written opinions, if approved by the court, were issued as opinions of the court.

Under the 1970 constitutional amendment of article V, the offices of the commissioners ceased to exist when the individuals holding the offices retired, resigned, died or were removed from office. The last retired in 1982.

In 1890, voters approved the Supreme Court to divide into two divisions so it could handle and decide more cases in a shorter time. Under the present constitution, the court may sit *en banc* (all seven judges together) or in as many divisions as the court determines are needed. Today, cases are assigned to and decided by the court *en banc*.

Supreme Court Jurisdiction

Originally, the Supreme Court had only the traditional powers to decide cases on appeal from the lower courts (either the circuit courts or the court of appeals) and to issue and determine original remedial writs, such as those in *habeas corpus*, *mandamus* and prohibition. The Consti-

tution of 1945 also authorized the court to establish rules for practice and procedure in the courts and to make temporary transfers of judicial personnel from court to court. Maintaining and updating the rules is a continuous process requiring substantial time. Each year, the Supreme Court, through its Office of State Courts Administrator, transfers several hundred court personnel on a temporary basis to assist other courts. This usually is done when a judge has been disqualified by the parties in a case or when a judge's docket has become overly crowded and the judge cannot handle all the cases expeditiously.

The constitutional amendments of 1976 and 1982 defined the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court more narrowly than in the past, resulting in its receiving fewer cases on appeal and directing more appeals to the court of appeals. Now the Supreme Court has exclusive appellate jurisdiction in all cases involving: the validity of a treaty or statute of the United States or of a statute or provision of the Missouri Constitution, the construction of the state's revenue laws, the title to any state office and the death penalty.

Cases do not have to fall within this area of exclusive jurisdiction, however, to reach the Supreme Court. The court may order cases transferred to it from the court of appeals if the cases involve questions of general interest or importance, if the court believes the existing law should be re-examined or for other reasons provided by rule of the court. The court of appeals also may order a case transferred to the Supreme Court either by order of the court of appeals itself or by the dissent of a court of appeals judge, if that judge certifies the court of appeals opinion is contrary to previous decisions of the Supreme Court or of other districts of the court of appeals.

In addition to its decision-making powers, the Supreme Court supervises all lower courts in the state. It is assisted in this task by its Office of State Courts Administrator, established in 1970. The Supreme Court also licenses all lawyers practicing in Missouri and disciplines those found guilty of violating the legal rules of professional conduct.

Qualifications and Terms

Supreme Court judges must be at least 30 years of age, licensed to practice law in Missouri, U.S. citizens for 15 years and qualified Missouri voters for nine years. Supreme Court judges are retained for 12-year terms. They earn \$185,127 annually. Compensation is determined by state constitution (article XIII, section 3 of the *Missouri Constitution*).

Chief Justice

The seven judges of the Supreme Court select one of their members to be chief justice and preside over the court. The chief justice also handles many of the administrative details for the court. The present practice of the court is to rotate the position of chief justice every two years. The chief justice earns \$193,545 annually. Compensation is determined by state constitution (article XIII, section 3 of the *Missouri Constitution*).

The court hears oral arguments each month from September through May. Court sessions are open to the public, and audio of oral arguments are broadcast live and are archived through the Missouri Courts website, www.courts.mo.gov.

Supreme Court Building

The Supreme Court Building, a three-story, red brick structure of French Renaissance architecture, was completed in 1907 and stands opposite the Capitol Building. By statute, it houses the attorney general's offices as well as those of the Supreme Court. The building's main features are a massive marble staircase in the lobby and the two-story high library.

Clerk's Office

The clerk of the Supreme Court is responsible for a wide range of duties, including the supervision of the state courts administrator's office as well as the internal administrative function of the court itself.

Supreme Court Function

The court's day-to-day administrative duties include handling all inquiries and procedural requests from attorneys throughout the state, arranging the docketing (scheduling) of cases, maintaining files in each case before the court, receiving and disposing of fees related to those cases and distributing opinions of the court. In all of these matters, the clerk reports directly to the chief justice.

Missouri Bar Responsibilities

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The clerk of the Supreme Court has a number of additional duties relating to The Missouri Bar and supervising the admission of new attorneys.

Among the records required to be maintained by the clerk are the official and permanent roll of attorneys for the State of Missouri. The clerk's office also prepares, on request, certificates evi-



BETSY AuBUCHON
Supreme Court Clerk

dencing admission to The Missouri Bar. By Supreme Court rule, the clerk is treasurer of the state board of law examiners, which conducts bar examinations twice yearly. The clerk also supervises the court's semiannual enrollment ceremonies and prepares all attorney licenses.

By Supreme Court rule, the clerk is *ex officio* member of all court committees, *ex officio* treasurer of both The Missouri Bar and the advisory committee, and is responsible for collecting the annual attorney enrollment fee and distributing Missouri Bar membership cards to all attorneys licensed to practice in Missouri. She is responsible for maintaining the official records of The Missouri Bar; the bar fund and for preparing annual financial reports for publication in the *Journal of The Missouri Bar*. The clerk is also responsible for conducting annual elections for The Missouri Bar Board of Governors.

Supreme Court Library

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The Supreme Court Library, which is on the second floor of the Supreme Court Building, contains more than 110,000 volumes. These include decisions of state and federal courts as well as state and federal administrative agencies, Missouri-approved jury instructions, state and federal statutes, legal periodicals and treatises. In addition, the library contains computer research services for the use of court personnel and the public.

The library's main responsibility is to meet the research needs of the Supreme Court, it also provides resources to members of the bench, the bar and the general public. It is open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, throughout the year, excluding state holidays.



Paul C. Wilson

Chief Justice of the Supreme Court

PAUL C. WILSON was born in Jefferson City, and raised in a home dedicated to public service. His father, McCormick Wilson, served as a longtime municipal and associate circuit judge in Cole County. His mother, Lorna Wilson, served as director of the state health department's Division of Maternal, Child and Family Health, as well as the first executive director of the Missouri Association of Local Public Health Agencies.

Judge Wilson earned his undergraduate degree from Drury College in Springfield and graduated *cum laude* from the University of Missouri—Columbia School of Law, where he was named to both the Order of the Coif and the Order of the Barristers.

Upon graduation, Judge Wilson served as a full-time law clerk for then-Chief Justice Robertson and Judge Richard F. Suhrheinrich on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit. Judge Wilson then moved to New York City to join the law firm Sullivan & Cromwell as an associate in the firm's litigation practice.

In 1996, Judge Wilson returned to Missouri to work in the state attorney general's office. During his tenure there, he represented the State of Missouri in numerous criminal and civil matters in trial and appellate courts around the state and across the country. He argued dozens of cases in Missouri's Court of Appeals and Supreme Court, as well as in the United States Supreme Court. On Jan. 16, 2010, Judge Wilson was appointed circuit judge in the 19th Judicial Circuit (Cole County).



In 2012, while a member of the Columbia law firm of Van Matre, Harrison, Hollis, Taylor & Bacon, P.C., Judge Wilson was nominated by the Appellate Judicial Commission to fill the vacancy on the Supreme Court of Missouri created by the retirement of his longtime friend and mentor Judge Ray Price. Pursuant to the Missouri Constitution's nonpartisan court plan, he was appointed by Gov. Jeremiah (Jay) Nixon and subsequently retained for a full term by the voters in the 2014 general election. He is serving as the state's chief justice from July 2021–June 2023.

Before becoming a member of the Supreme Court, Judge Wilson was a member of the board of directors for Legal Services of Mid-Missouri and counsel to the board of directors for a regional child advocacy center, and he remains an Elder in the First Presbyterian Church in Jefferson City.

Judge Wilson is married to Laura O'Kelley Wilson, and they are the proud parents of daughters Meredith and Alice.



Patricia Breckenridge Judge of the Supreme Court

PATRICIA BRECKENRIDGE was born and raised in Nevada, Missouri and was educated in the Nevada public schools. She attended the University of Missouri–Columbia, receiving a B.S. in agricultural economics and J.D. She returned to Nevada to practice law with Russell, Brown, Bickel & Breckenridge. While practicing, she also served as an assistant municipal judge.

In 1982, she was appointed associate circuit judge of Vernon County. Judge Breckenridge was elected to that position until 1990, when she was appointed to the Missouri Court of Appeals, Western District. She served as chief judge from 1998–2000. Judge Breckenridge was appointed to the Supreme Court of Missouri, 2007. She served as chief justice from 2015–2017.

As chief justice, she was committed to improving the administration of justice and instrumental in establishing the Supreme Court's Committee on Practice and Procedures in Municipal Division Cases, Commission on Racial and Ethnic Fairness, Task Force on Criminal Justice, Commission on Civil Justice Reform, Partnership for Child Safety and Well-Being, and the adoption of Uniform Standards for Juvenile Officers.

She served as chair to the Supreme Court's Judicial Education Coordinating Commission, helped establish and chaired the Civic Education Committee, and has served as a faculty member at the new judges' orientation. She is also a founding faculty member of Missouri's Court Management Institute, certified to teach its Purposes and Responsibilities of Courts program by the National Center of State Courts.

Judge Breckenridge has received the University of Missouri–Columbia's Faculty-Alumni Award and School of Law's Citation of Merit, the Missouri Bar's Theodore McMillian Judicial Excellence Award and President's Award, National Center for State Courts' Distinguished Service Award–Appellate Judge, Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association's Hon. Joseph E. Stephens Jr. Aspire to Excellence Award, Missouri Coalition of Children's Agencies Champion of Children Award, and honored as the Missouri Lawyers Media's Woman of the Year. She has also been honored as the Women Lawyers of Greater Kansas City Judge of the Year, Rotary International Citizen of the Year, Nevada Business and Pro-



fessional Women's Woman of the Year, Soroptimist International Women Helping Women and Woman of Distinction. She is a fellow of the American Bar Foundation, Missouri Bar Foundation, Georgetown University Center for Juvenile Justice Reform and a Council of State Government Toll Fellow.

Judge Breckenridge is an Elwood L. Thomas American Inn of Court master, a member of the Academy of Missouri Squires, American Bar Association, Missouri Bar, National Association of Women Judges, and the Missouri Association of Probate and Associate Circuit Judges. She was a member of the Casey Family Programs' National Impact Outcomes Committee; National Center for State Courts Task Force on Fines, Fees and Bail Practices; Missouri Task Force on Gender and Justice; and co-chair of the Missouri Gender Fairness Implementation Joint Committee.

Judge Breckenridge has served the Kansas City community as a mentor and tutor for children at St. Vincent's Operation Breakthrough and as a board member of Lawyers Encouraging Academic Performance, Cabot West Side Clinic, University of Health Sciences College of Osteopathic Medicine and the Mattie Rhodes Center. In Nevada, she served as president of Soroptimist International of Nevada, Nevada's Business and Professional Women and was a member of Rotary International. She is a member of the United Methodist Church of Nevada and the PEO Sisterhood.

Judge Breckenridge is married to Bryan C. Breckenridge, a partner in the law firm of Russell, Brown & Breckenridge. She was retained by Missouri voters at the November 2008 and 2020 general elections.



George W. Draper III Judge of the Supreme Court

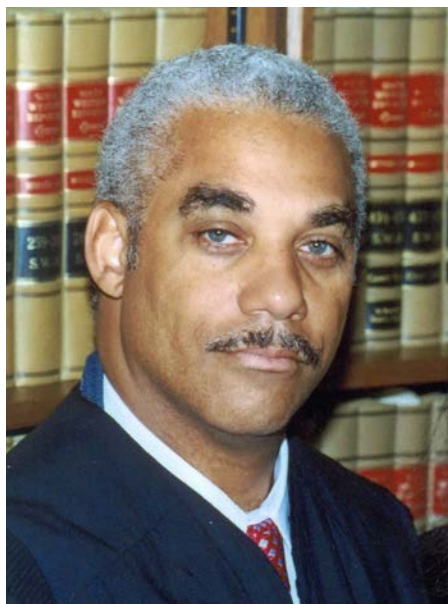
GEORGE W. DRAPER III was born in St. Louis. He attended Hamilton Elementary School in north St. Louis City until his family moved to Silver Spring, Maryland, in 1964. In 1977, he graduated from Morehouse College in Atlanta, Georgia, with a bachelor's degree in psychology. After earning his law degree in 1981 from Howard University School of Law in Washington, D.C., he served as a law clerk to Judge Shellie Bowers in the Superior Court of the District of Columbia.

Draper worked for the circuit attorney of the City of St. Louis as assistant prosecuting attorney from 1984–1994. There he served as assistant prosecutor, then team leader and, finally, as first assistant, for which he handled numerous felony prosecutions.

In 1994, Draper was appointed associate circuit judge in St. Louis County by Gov. Mel Carnahan. While serving on this court, Draper presided over 60 to 200 cases each week and was assigned specially to 12 jury trials. In 1998, he was appointed to circuit judge in St. Louis County by Gov. Carnahan. He presided over the civil, criminal, family court and juvenile division throughout his time as a trial judge.

In 2000, Gov. Carnahan appointed Judge Draper to the Court of Appeals, Eastern District. Draper served as that court's first African-American chief judge from July 2005–June 2006. While on that court, he also served by special assignment on the Appellate Apportionment Commission, a constitutional commission created to resolve redistricting disputes, and on the court's rules, security and facilities committees.

His October 2011 appointment to the Supreme Court of Missouri by Gov. Jeremiah Nixon makes Draper one of the few judges to have served at every level of Missouri's current court system. Voters retained him in office in November 2012 and served as the state's chief justice from July 2019–June 2021. He is the second African-American judge to serve on the state's high court. He also is chair of the state's treatment



courts coordinating commission and serves as the Court's liaison to the judiciary's family court committee as well as its ad hoc committee on racial and ethnic fairness.

Draper is a member of the Mound City Bar Association, the Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis, the Lawyer's Association of St. Louis, the National Bar Association and the Missouri Asian Bar Association. He is an inaugural member of the Gallery of St. Louis Legal Pioneers within the Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis. He also is a member of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc. and the Covenant Community Church in north St. Louis County.

As an advocate for continuing legal education, Draper has organized and presented numerous programs. He also has served as a panelist on the Mound City Bar Association's program "Mistakes to Avoid" and at the judicial forum hosted by the Missouri Association of Trial Attorneys.

In addition to his service to the court, Draper has taught trial advocacy as an adjunct professor at Saint Louis University School of Law from 1996–present.

Draper's wife, Judy Preddy Draper, is a former associate circuit judge in St. Louis County and previously served as general counsel for the Missouri Department of Corrections. They have a daughter, Chelsea Westin Draper, JD/LLM, who serves as deputy chief of staff to the St. Louis County prosecuting attorney.



Zel M. Fischer

Judge of the Supreme Court

ZEL M. FISCHER was born in Hamburg, Iowa, and grew up in Watson, Missouri.

Judge Fischer was educated in Rock Port public schools. He attended William Jewell College, in Liberty and received his B.A. in philosophy and political science in 1985. He is the recipient of the Harry S Truman Most Outstanding Political Science Major for the class of 1985.

He graduated from the University of Missouri–Kansas City School of Law with distinction in 1988. He is the recipient of the Order of the Bench and Robe, the American Jurisprudence Award from the UMKC School of Law and was a member of UMKC Law Review. He is the original author of “Chapter 40, Strict Liability of Product Manufacturers and Sellers — Manufacturing Defect of the Products Liability Handbook,” published by the University of Missouri–Kansas City, Continuing Legal Education.

Fischer was admitted to The Missouri Bar in 1988. Upon graduation, he served for one year as a law clerk for the Honorable Andrew Jackson Higgins of the Supreme Court of Missouri. From 1989–1992, he practiced law in the law offices of James D. Boggs in Kansas City. From 1992–2006, he engaged in a solo law practice in northwest Missouri. In November 2006, he was elected associate circuit judge for Atchison County, in the Fourth Judicial Circuit, and served in that capacity until his appointment to the Supreme Court of Missouri in October 2008.

Judge Fischer was selected as an ASTAR Fellow by the board of directors of the Advanced Science and Technology Adjudication Resource Center for his knowledge and ability to preside over complex cases involving science or technology issues.



Fischer is the president of The National Courts and Science Institute (NCSI), which is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to training judges in science. He also serves as a member on the National Advisory Board for the University of North Carolina Bryson Center for Judicial Science Education.

Judge Fischer was the 2019 recipient of the Theodore McMillian Judicial Excellence Award from The Missouri Bar. The honor is awarded to a judge who sets an example of judicial excellence by leadership in the advancement of justice, provides outstanding public and community service to the people of Missouri, and who is a person of the highest character, integrity and honor who inspires other members of the judiciary to similar noble purposes.

Fischer is an active member of his church and community. He was married July 13, 1985, to the former Julie Ann Moore. They have four children and four grandchildren.

Judge Fischer was appointed to the Supreme Court by Gov. Matt Blunt on Oct. 15, 2008, and was retained at the 2010 general election for a 12-year term expiring Dec. 31, 2022. He served as chief justice from July 2017–June 2019.



W. Brent Powell

Judge of the Supreme Court

W. BRENT POWELL was born in Springfield. He attended Springfield and Rogersville public schools but graduated from Greenwood High School on the campus of Missouri State University. He completed his undergraduate degree at William Jewell College in Liberty, receiving his bachelor of arts in political science in 1992.

Judge Powell graduated from the University of Missouri–Columbia School of Law in 1996. During law school, he served as president of the Student Bar Association and member and case note editor for the *Missouri Law Review*. He also interned for Supreme Court of Missouri Judge Elwood Thomas.

Judge Powell was admitted to The Missouri Bar in 1996. Following law school, he began his legal career at Lathrop & Gage in Kansas City, Mo. In the fall of 1997, he took a position as an assistant prosecutor in the Platte County prosecutor's office in Platte City. In 2001, he began working as an assistant United States attorney for the United States attorney's office in Kansas City. During his tenure there, he served as the chief of the General Crimes Unit and executive assistant United States attorney.

In 2008, Judge Powell was appointed to the office of circuit judge in Jackson County by Gov. Matt Blunt and served this office with distinction until his appointment to the Supreme Court of Missouri in April 2017. As a trial judge, he presided over hundreds of civil, criminal and family



law cases. He also served on the Supreme Court of Missouri Committee on Procedure in Criminal Cases, the Committee on Access to Family Courts, the Trial Judge Education Committee and the Missouri Sentencing Advisory Commission. He was named "Judge of the Year" in 2009 by the Association of Women Lawyers of Greater Kansas City, and he received the Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association President's Award in 2014 for outstanding service to the Bar.

Judge Powell and his wife Beth live in Kansas City and are both active members of their church community. Judge Powell is also an avid University of Missouri football fan, and you are likely to find him cheering on the Tigers at home games.

Judge Powell was appointed to the Supreme Court of Missouri by Gov. Eric Greitens on April 25, 2017. He took the oath of office on May 2, 2017. He was retained by voters in November 2018.



Robin Ransom Judge of the Supreme Court

ROBIN RANSOM was born in the City of St. Louis, State of Missouri. She graduated from Rosati-Kain High School. She completed her undergraduate degree at Douglass College–Rutgers University in New Brunswick, New Jersey, receiving her bachelor of arts in political science and sociology. Judge Ransom attended and graduated from the University of Missouri–Columbia School of Law.

Following law school, she worked as an Assistant Public Defender in the St. Louis County Office from 1992–1995. She was assigned primarily cases in the Family Court – Juvenile Division. In the Fall of 1995, she took a position as an assistant prosecuting attorney in the St. Louis County Prosecuting Attorney's Office. She remained in that position for a year. In October of 1996, she began working in the Family Court – Juvenile Division of the 21st Judicial Circuit, St. Louis County, as a Staff Attorney. In that role, she handled juvenile delinquency and care and protection cases which included termination of parental rights matters.

Her judicial career began in 2002, when she was appointed as a Family Court Commissioner for the 22nd Judicial Circuit on Dec. 27, 2002. In that role, she presided over juvenile delinquency and care and protection cases, termination of parental rights matters, guardianships and adoptions. She served in that capacity until Sept. 11, 2008, when she was appointed by Gov. Matt Blunt as Circuit Judge in the City of St. Louis, the 22nd Judicial Circuit.

Initially as a Circuit Judge, she was assigned to a general trial division from September–December of 2008. From January 2009–December 2010, she was assigned to the Family Court presiding over contested divorces and motions to modify. Judge Ransom returned to a general trial division from January 2011–December 2015. In January of 2016, she began serving as the Administrative Judge of the Family Court, overseeing all facets of the court's operations both in the Juvenile and Domestic divisions.

In September of 2016, she was unanimously elected by her peers to serve in the capacity of Assistant Presiding Judge of the 22nd Judicial Circuit for the calendar years of 2017 and 2018.



Then in September of 2018, she was again unanimously elected by her peers to serve as the Presiding Judge of the 22nd Judicial Circuit for the calendar years of 2019 and 2020. After just a few weeks in the role of presiding judge, Judge Ransom was appointed by Governor Mike Parson on Jan. 9, 2019, to the Court of Appeals – Eastern District. On May 24, 2021, Governor Parson appointed Judge Ransom to her current position as Judge of the Supreme Court for the State of Missouri.

Judge Ransom is a mentor with the Literacy Project, an early childhood reading program developed by The Gathering, a local church organization in the City of St. Louis. Judge Ransom is also a member of the Missouri Bar, the Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis (BAMSL), the Commission on Racial & Ethnic Fairness and the Missouri State Foster Care and Adoption Board. She is the recipient of the Theodore McMillian Service Award from the Black Law Students Association of St. Louis University School of Law. She also in 2019 received a Women's Justice Award for Public Service presented by Missouri Lawyer's Media. In 2008 she received the Clarence Darrow Award from the Public Interest Group at the St. Louis University School of Law. Judge Ransom is also a frequent presenter to school groups and organizations interested in juvenile laws and juvenile justice.

Judge Ransom was retained in the role of Circuit Judge in both 2010 and 2016. She was retained as a member of the Missouri Court of Appeals–Eastern District in 2020. Her current term as a member of the Supreme Court expires Dec. 31, 2022.



Mary R. Russell

Judge of the Supreme Court

MARY R. RUSSELL, a seventh-generation Missourian, was raised on a dairy farm in Ralls County, near Hannibal. She graduated valedictorian from Hannibal High School and *summa cum laude* from Truman State University with bachelor of science and bachelor of arts degrees. She received her J.D. from the University of Missouri–Columbia School of Law.

Upon graduation from law school, Judge Russell was a law clerk for the Honorable George Gunn of the Supreme Court of Missouri. She later practiced law in Hannibal with the law firm of Clayton and Rhodes until her appointment to the Missouri Court of Appeals, Eastern District in 1995. At the Court of Appeals, she served as chief judge from 1999–2000. Judge Russell was appointed to the Supreme Court of Missouri in 2004 and was elected chief justice by her colleagues for a two-year term in 2013–2015.

Judge Russell is active in many professional and legal organizations, commissions and boards throughout the state and country. She currently serves as president of the Missouri Press-Bar Commission, is a trustee of the State Historical Society of Missouri and is a member of the Missouri Academy of Squires. Judge Russell is active in many community organizations, including: BackStoppers, Inc.; International Women's Forum; Women Lawyers' Association; Rotary Club (past president); PEO (past president) and the Episcopal Church. She served as second vice president of the Conference of Chief Justices and has been a member of the Council of the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar of the American Bar Association, the board of directors of the National Courts and Science Institute, the Missouri Council on Women's Economic Development, the Missouri Job Development and Training Council, the board of directors of Missouri's Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) (president), the board of governors of Truman State University (past president), the Missouri State Senate Reapportionment Commission and the Tuesday Club (past president).

She volunteered as a truancy court judge for nearly 20 years at Lewis and Clark Middle School



in Jefferson City and the Kirkwood North Middle School in Kirkwood. She was previously active in many community organizations in Hannibal and Kirkwood.

Russell is the recipient of numerous awards and was named in the Ingram's 50 Missourians You Should Know and as a Henry Toll Fellow. Some of her awards include: Women's Justice Award from Missouri Lawyers Weekly; Honorable Theodore McMillian Judicial Excellence Award from the Missouri Bar; Distinguished Alumni Award-Truman State University; Kirkwood Citizen of the Year; Jefferson City Rotarian of the Year; Zonta Woman of Achievement in Jefferson City; Zonta Celebration Award in Cape Girardeau; Difference Maker Award from the Jefferson City Public Schools; Woman of Distinction Award by the Missouri Athletic Club; Faculty/Alumni Award from the University of Missouri–Columbia; Citation of Merit Award from the University of Missouri–Columbia Law School; Legal Services of Eastern Missouri Equal Justice Award; Lasting Legacy award from Missouri CASA; Soroptimist International Women Helping Women Award; and the Matthews-Dickey Boys & Girls Club Appreciation Award.

Judge Russell is easily approachable and devotes much time to mentoring young people. In addition to lecturing to many attorney organizations and continuing education programs, she enjoys speaking to community groups and students helping demystify the court system, and promoting the administration of justice.

She was married to the late James Russell.

Judges of the Supreme Court of Missouri: 1820–2021

Name	County	Years Served
Mathias McGirk	Montgomery	1820–1841
John Dillard Cook	Cape Girardeau	1820–1823
John Rice Jones	Washington	1820–1824
Rufus Pettibone	St. Charles County	1823–1825
George Tompkins	Howard	1824–1845
Robert Wash	St. Louis	1825–1837
John Cummins Edwards	Cole	1837–1839
William Barclay Napton	Saline	1839–1849; 1849–1851; 1857–1861; 1873–1880
William Scott	Cole	1841–1849; 1851–1861
Priestly H. McBride	Monroe	1845–1849
John Ferguson Ryland	Lafayette	1849–1851; 1851–1857
James Harvey Birch	Clinton	1849; 1850–1851
Hamilton Rowan Gamble	St. Louis	1851–1854
Abiel Leonard	Howard	1855–1857
John Crowley Richardson	St. Louis	1857–1859
Ephraim Brevard Ewing	Ray	1859–1861; 1873
Barton Bates	St. Charles	1862–1865
William Van Ness Bay	St. Louis	1862–1865
John D.S. Dryden	Marion	1862–1865
David Wagner	Lewis	1865–1876
Walter L. Lovelace	Montgomery	1865–1866
Nathaniel Holmes	St. Louis	1865–1868
Thomas James Clark Fagg	Pike	1866–1868
James Baker	Greene	1868
Philemon Bliss	Buchanan	1868–1872
Warren Currier	St. Louis	1868–1872
Washington Adams	Cooper	1871–1874
Henry M. Vories	Buchanan	1873–1876
Thomas Adiel Sherwood	Greene	1873–1902
Edward Augustus Lewis	City of St. Louis	1874
Warwick Hough	Jackson	1875–1884
Elijah Hise Norton	Platte	1876–1888
John Ward Henry	Macon	1877–1886
Robert D. Ray	Carroll	1881–1890
Francis Marion Black	Jackson	1885–1894
Theodore Brace	Monroe	1887–1906
Shephard Barclay	City of St. Louis	1889–1898
John Lilburn Thomas	Jefferson	1890–1892
George Bennett Macfarlane	Audrain	1890–1898
James Britton Gantt	Henry	1891–1910
Gavon Drummond Burgess	Linn	1893–1910
Waltour Moss Robinson	Jasper	1895–1904
William Muir Williams	Cooper	1898
William Champe Marshall	City of St. Louis	1898–1906
Leroy B. Valliant	City of St. Louis	1899–1912
James David Fox	Madison	1903–1910
Henry Lamm	Pettis	1905–1914
Waller Washington Graves	Bates	1906–1928
Archelaus Marius Woodson	Buchanan	1907–1925
Franklin Ferriss	City of St. Louis	1910–1912

Name	County	Years Served
John Kennish	Holt	1910–1913
John Chilton Brown	Carter	1911–1915
Henry Whitelaw Bond	City of St. Louis	1913–1919
Charles Breckenridge Faris	Pemiscot	1913–1919
Robert Franklin Walker	Morgan	1913–1930
James Thomas Blair	DeKalb	1915–1924
Charles G. Revelle	St. Francois	1915–1916
Fred Lincoln Williams	Jasper	1917–1920
John Isaac Williamson	Jackson	1919–1920
Richard Livingston Goode	City of St. Louis	1919–1922
Conway Elder	City of St. Louis	1921–1922
Edward Higbee	Adair	1921–1922
David Ellmore Blair	Jasper	1921–1930
William T. Ragland	Monroe	1923–1932
John Turner White	Greene	1923–1932
Frank Ely Atwood	Carroll	1925–1934
Robert William Otto	Franklin	1925–1926
Ernest S. Gantt	Audrain	1927–1946
North Todd Gentry	Boone	1928
William Francis Frank	Adair	1929–1938
Berryman Henwood	Marion	1930–1932
George Robb Ellison	Nodaway	1931–1955
Charles Thomas Hays	Marion	1933–1942
Clarence Alexander Burney	Jackson	1933
Ernest Moss Tipton	Jackson	1933–1955
C.A. Leedy Jr.	Jackson	1933–1964
Walter D. Coles	City of St. Louis	1935
John Caskie Collet	Chariton	1935–1937
James Marsh Douglas	City of St. Louis	1937–1949
Raymond B. Lucas	Scott	1938
Albert M. Clark	Ray	1939–1950
Laurence Mastick Hyde	Mercer	1943–1966
Roscoe P. Conkling	Buchanan	1947–1954
Sidna Poage Dalton	Cape Girardeau	1950–1965
Frank Hollingsworth	Audrain	1950–1964
Henry J. Westhues	Cole	1954–1963
Henry I. Eager	Jackson	1955–1968
Clem F. Storckman	City of St. Louis	1955–1970
Lawrence Holman	Randolph	1963–1977
Fred L. Henley	Pemiscot	1964–1978
James A. Finch Jr.	Cape Girardeau	1965–1978
Robert True Donnelly	Laclede	1965–1988
Robert Eldridge Seiler	Jasper	1967–1982
June P. (J.P.) Morgan	Lincoln	1969–1982
John E. Bardgett	St. Louis	1970–1982
Albert L. Rendlen	Marion	1977–1992
Joseph J. Simeone	St. Louis	1978–1979
Warren Dee Welliver	Boone	1979–1989
Andrew Jackson Higgins	Platte	1979–1991
George F. Gunn Jr.	St. Louis	1982–1985
William Howard Billings	Dunklin	1982–1991

Name	County	Years Served
Charles Blakey Blackmar	St. Louis	1982–1992
Edward D. Robertson Jr.	Cole	1985–1998
Ann K. Covington	Boone	1989–2001
John C. Holstein	Howell	1989–2002
Duane Benton	Cole	1991–2004
Elwood L. Thomas	Clay	1991–1995
William Ray Price Jr.	Jackson	1992–2012
Stephen N. Limbaugh Jr.	Cape Girardeau	1992–2008
Ronnie L. White	St. Louis	1995–2007
Michael A. Wolff	City of St. Louis	1998–2011
Laura Denvir Stith	Jackson	2001–2021
Richard B. Teitelman	City of St. Louis	2002–2016
Mary R Russell	Marion	2004–Present
Patricia Breckenridge	Vernon	2007–Present
Zel M. Fischer	Atchison	2008–Present
George W. Draper III	St. Louis	2011–Present
Paul C. Wilson	Cole	2012–Present
W. Brent Powell	Jackson	2017–Present
Robin Ransom	City of St. Louis	2021–Present

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The Office of State Courts Administrator (OSCA) is responsible for providing administrative, business and technology support services to the courts. The duties and responsibilities assigned to the state courts administrator's office relate to all levels of the state court system. The first state courts administrator was appointed in 1970.

Some of the ways the office assists the courts include case processing; criminal history reporting; debt collection and judgment enforcement; crime victims' rights; treatment court programming; the implementation of time standards for case disposition; and court improvement projects in the areas of child abuse and neglect, juvenile services and family preservation. The office also provides administrative and technology support, training of judicial personnel and statistical analysis.

Office of the Administrator

The administrator is responsible for the overall management of OSCA and the services and support provided.

Administrative Services Division

The administrative services division provides support in the areas of legal services, human re-

sources, budget and fiscal services, sponsored programs and contracts, project management, facilities operations and publications services. The division supports the office and circuit court personnel systems; provides technical assistance related to court security, foreign language court interpreters and the Americans with Disabilities Act; compiles and organizes the judiciary's annual state appropriation request; supports the circuit and appellate court budget committees; processes all monies appropriated to the office and to the circuit courts; manages fund balances; applies for and manages grant funds; prepares and administers contracts for goods and services; provides project management services to all interdivisional and interagency projects; prepares fiscal notes for proposed legislation affecting the judicial system; manages the facilities and fleet; and provides mail and printing services.

Court Business Services Division

The court business services division provides support to the courts in the areas of education, program development, research, statistical analysis and court procedures. The division provides program support to the family, juvenile and treatment court divisions; provides technical support to the courts in the areas of case processing, jury management, videoconferencing and financial management; designs statewide court forms; manages cost collection efforts; prepares transcripts from sound-recorded hearings submitted by the courts; compiles statistical caseload information; prepares workload estimates; provides



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technical assistance regarding research methods and program evaluations; compiles court performance measures; conducts evaluation and longitudinal studies of court programs and population behaviors; handles issues with criminal and traffic offenses and civil and probate cases and appeals; works with courts and state departments to electronically share juvenile justice information, criminal history, records of conviction and warrants; develops business specifications for, conducts testing of, and delivers training about automated programs and systems for use in the courts; and develops and coordinates courses and certificate programs for judicial employees. The division also works closely with standing committees of the Supreme Court of Missouri and with statutory commissions.

Information Technology Services Division

The information technology services division supports court technology and communication services for the judicial branch. Services provided by the division include software applications development, maintenance of all existing applications, database administration, deployment and support of computer hardware to the courts, maintenance of the statewide judicial network and servers, system security and initial help desk support for judicial branch users and the general public. The division works with the committee that oversees the statewide court automation program and with metropolitan courts that have information technology staff on location.



Missouri Court of Appeals

The Constitution of 1865 provided for Missouri's first general intermediate courts, known as district courts. There were district courts in Cape Girardeau, Jefferson City, Macon, St. Charles, St. Joseph and Springfield. Each district was composed of three circuits. Appeals were taken from the circuit court to the district court and then to the Supreme Court. The district courts, however, were abolished in 1870 by a constitutional amendment.

Alarmed at the congested docket of the Supreme Court, the St. Louis Bar Association urged the 1875 Constitutional Convention to provide for another appellate court. As a result, the convention created the St. Louis Court of Appeals, consisting of three judges who heard appeals from Lincoln, St. Charles, St. Louis and Warren counties. Its territorial jurisdiction was expanded in 1884 to include several more counties.

Another constitutional amendment in 1884 established the Kansas City Court of Appeals and authorized creation of another appellate court, when necessary, by the General Assembly.

The Springfield Court of Appeals was organized in 1909. Missouri's current appellate structure—a single court of appeals consisting of three geographic districts—was established by a 1970 constitutional amendment.

The Eastern District of the Court of Appeals sits in St. Louis and consists of 14 judges. Eleven judges preside over the Western District in Kansas City, and seven judges sit on the Southern District, meeting either in Springfield or Poplar Bluff. Trained law clerks, who are licensed attorneys, assist each appellate judge with legal research.

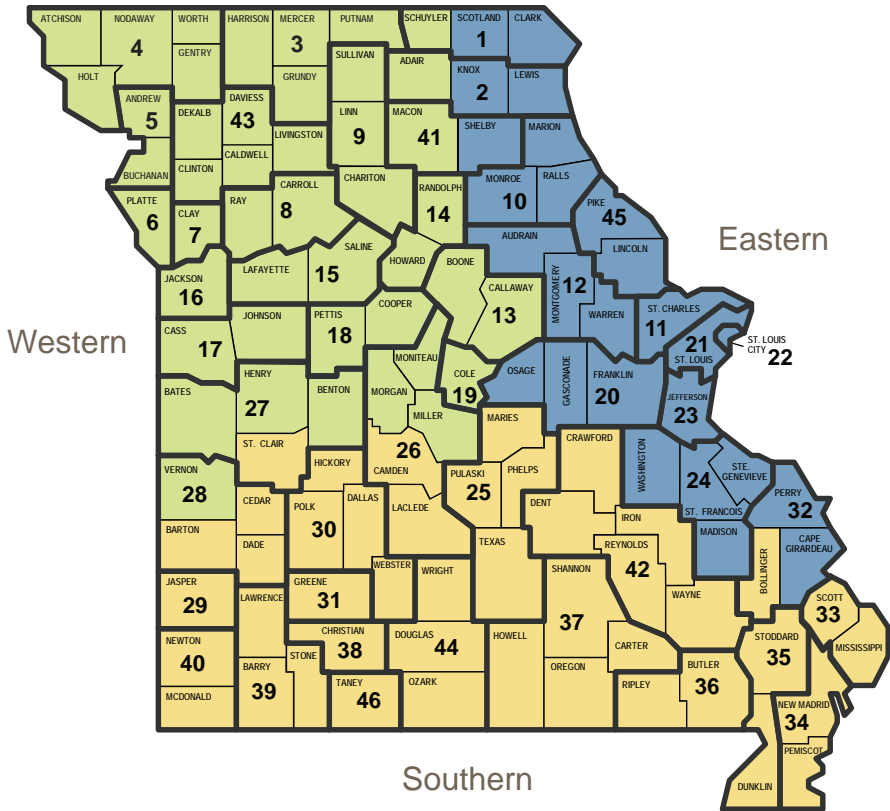
The Missouri Court of Appeals may issue and determine original remedial writs and has general appellate jurisdiction in all cases not within the exclusive jurisdiction of the Supreme Court. Cases not within the Supreme Court's exclusive jurisdiction, however, may be transferred from the Court of Appeals to the Supreme Court when it is determined that a case involves a split among the districts of the Court of Appeals or an important issue that should be decided by the state's highest court.

A chief judge is elected for each district of the Missouri Court of Appeals by the judges in the districts and serves for such time as the districts determine. Traditionally, the chief judge in the Eastern District serves for one year, while the chief judges in the Southern and Western districts serve for two years.

The districts are authorized to sit in divisions of three judges if they choose, which all three districts have elected to do.

Missouri Court of Appeals judges must be at least 30 years of age, licensed to practice law in Missouri, residents of their district, U.S. citizens for 15 years and qualified Missouri voters for nine years before their selection. Appeals judges serve 12-year terms. They earn \$169,214 annually. Compensation is determined by state constitution (article XIII, section 3 of the *Missouri Constitution*).

Missouri's Court of Appeals Districts





Appellate Judges, Eastern District

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The Eastern District Court of Appeals sits in St. Louis. Judges serve 12-year terms under a nonpartisan selection plan set out in the Missouri Constitution. Each of the 14 judges earns an annual salary of \$158,848. Members of the court elect one from their number to act as chief judge.

Territorial Jurisdiction:

The City of St. Louis and counties of Audrain, Cape Girardeau, Clark, Franklin, Gasconade, Jefferson, Knox, Lewis, Lincoln, Madison, Marion, Monroe, Montgomery, Osage, Perry, Pike, Ralls, St. Charles, St. Francois, St. Louis, Ste. Genevieve, Scotland, Shelby, Warren and Washington.



SHERRI B. SULLIVAN

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Biography: Chief judge. Born in St. Louis. Undergraduate degree from University of Missouri–St. Louis, B.S., administration of justice; law degree, St. Louis University, J.D. Married with two children. Member: American Bar Association, Metropolitan St. Louis Bar Association, Women Lawyers' Association of Greater St. Louis, National Association of Women Judges. Appointed associate circuit judge of the 22nd Judicial Circuit, Feb. 27, 1989. Appointed circuit judge, Oct. 17, 1994. Retained in 1996. Appointed to the Court of Appeals, Aug. 5, 1999. Retained in 2000 and 2012. Chief judge, 2003–2004 and 2021–2022. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024.



KELLY C. BRONIEC

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Office address: One Post Office Sq.; 815 Olive St., St. Louis 63101.

Biography: Graduate of William Woods College, *summa cum laude*, B.A., business administration, University of Missouri–Columbia, J.D. Served as prosecuting attorney of Montgomery County, 1999–2006. Elected associate circuit judge, 2006. Re-elected 2010, 2014, 2018. Appointed by the Supreme Court to serve on its Trial Judge Education Committee, 2011–present; Coordinating Commission for Judicial Education, 2017–present; Commission on Civil Justice Reform, 2017–present; Civic Education Committee, 2015–2020; Committee on Access to Family Courts, 2010–2016; co-chair of the Combating Human Trafficking and Domestic Violence Commission, 2016–present; and liaison to the Task Force on Criminal Justice, 2017–present. Served as president of the Missouri Association of Probate and Associate Circuit Judges, 2016–17. Member: Grace Lutheran Church; Montgomery City Kiwanis Club, past president; Montgomery City Chamber of Commerce; Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis; founding board member of The Child Center, Inc., 2000–2006. Appointed to the Court of Appeals, Oct. 19, 2020 by Gov. Michael L. Parson. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022.

THOMAS C. CLARK II

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Office address: One Post Office Sq., 815 Olive St., St. Louis 63101.

Biography: Born in Kansas City. Educated at University of Kansas, B.S. journalism, B.A. history, 1990; St. Louis University, M.A. public administration, 1993; J.D. 1998; University of Nevada, Reno, M.A. judicial studies, 2019. Served as assistant circuit attorney, 1998–2006, City of St. Louis; elected to the young lawyers section of The Missouri Bar Association; participated in Leadership St. Louis/FOCUS. Professional Memberships include: The Missouri Bar Association. Appointed associate circuit judge, Jan. 17, 2006. Retained in 2008, 2012 and 2016. Appointed circuit judge, March 29, 2017, to fill an unexpired term. Retained in 2018. Appointed to the Court of Appeals, Feb. 2, 2021. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Nonpartisan.



ROBERT M. CLAYTON III

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Biography: Born in Hannibal. Sixth-generation Missourian. Educated in Hannibal public schools; Southern Methodist University, Bachelor of Arts, history, 1991; and the University of Missouri–Kansas City, J.D., 1994. Joined family law firm and engaged in private practice as associate and partner, 1994–2003. Elected state representative, 1994–2002. Appointed to Public Service Commission, 2003–2011, chair, 2009–2011. Member: The Missouri Bar; the 10th Circuit Bar, president 2012–2013; the American Bar Association's Section on Public Utilities; BAMSL; St. Louis County Bar; Lawyer's Association of St. Louis; WLA and Mound City Bar. Serves as 1st vice president and trustee of the State Historical Society and trustee of MACC foundation and president of board of Affordable Community Education, Inc. Member: Hannibal YMCA Men's Club and Hannibal Rotary. Awards: Missouri Bar President's, 2001 and 2005, KCMBAYLS President's, 1994 and UMKC Law School's Decade, 2004. Appointed July 18, 2011. Retained in 2012. Chief judge, 2013–2014. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024.



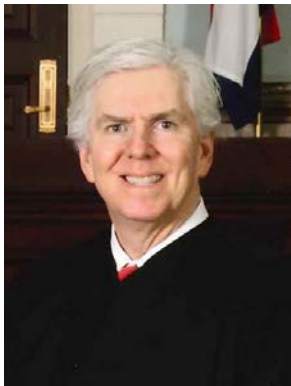
COLLEEN DOLAN

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Biography: Educated at University of Missouri–St. Louis, B.S., St. Louis University School of Law, J.D. Private practice of law from 1984–1994. Municipal judge, City of Ellisville, 1992–1994. Appointed in 1994 as associate circuit judge for the 21st Judicial Circuit of Missouri, retained in 1996. Appointed in 1999 as circuit judge for the 21st Judicial Circuit, retained in 2000, 2006 and 2012. Member: Missouri Bar, Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis, Women Lawyers' Association of Greater St. Louis, St. Louis County Bar Association, and the Lawyers Association of St. Louis. ASTAR fellow, 2013. Appointed to Court of Appeals, April 2016. Retained in November 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2030.





JAMES M. DOWD

Office phone: (314) 539-4300.

Office address: One Post Office Sq.; 815 Olive St., St. Louis 63101.

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Educated at St. Louis University–Madrid, Spain and St. Louis campuses, B.A.; University of Missouri–Kansas City School of Law, J.D. Married to Angeles Nieto. They have three children. Prior employment: Judicial clerk, Missouri Court of Appeals–Western District, Judge William E. Turnage (1990–1992); associate, Watson & Dameron (1992–1994); partner, Dowd & Dowd (1995–2009); principal, The James M. Dowd Law Firm (2009–2015). Member: The Missouri Bar; The Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis; Backstoppers; Mock trial team coach, St. Louis U. High School (2012–2013); Mary Queen of Peace Catholic Church. Appointed to the Missouri Court of Appeals, June 3, 2015. Chief judge, July 2017–June 2018. Retained in 2016. Term expires Dec. 31, 2028.



GARY M. GAERTNER JR.

Office phone: (314) 539-4300.

Office address: One Post Office Sq.; 815 Olive St., St. Louis 63101.

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Educated at St. Louis University School of Business, Honors Program, B.S., *magna cum laude*; St. Louis University School of Law, J.D., *cum laude*. Married to Julie H. Sauer. They have seven children. Former associate of Bryan Cave; assistant state prosecutor, the Circuit Attorney's Office; assistant federal prosecutor, the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Missouri; and chair, U.S. Department of Justice Insurance Fraud Task Force for the Eastern District. Awarded: Adler-Rosecan, Childress and Thomas J. White Fellowships, Alpha Sigma Nu Honorary Scholastic Society and Law Review, St. Louis University School of Law. Received John C. Shepherd Professionalism Award, Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis. Member: Catholic Church; Crusade Against Crime of America (Medal of Valor), board of directors and secretary. Appointed circuit judge for the 21st Judicial Circuit, 2000; retained 2002 and 2008. Appointed to the Court of Appeals, November 2009. Retained in 2012. Chief judge, July 2012–June 2013. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024.



MICHAEL E. GARDNER

Office phone: (314) 539-4300.

Office address: One Post Office Sq., 815 Olive St., Ste. 304; St. Louis 63101.

Biography: Born in St. Louis and raised in Kelso, Missouri. University of Missouri, B.A., 2001; University of Missouri School of Law, J.D., *cum laude*, 2004. Order of the Coif. Lead Articles Editor, *Missouri Law Review*. Law Clerk to Hon. Stephen N. Limbaugh Jr., Supreme Court of Missouri, 2004–2005. Private practice, 2005–2014. Elected circuit judge of the 32nd Judicial Circuit in 2014 and served as presiding judge, 2017–2018. Missouri Board of Law Examiners, 2013–present. Board of Trustees of The Missouri Bar Foundation, 2017–present; Board of Governors of The Missouri Bar, 2012–2014; Young Lawyers' Section Council, 2010–2014; assistant governor, Rotary District 6060, 2016–2018. Member and past-president, Cape West Rotary Club; Knights of Columbus (Fourth Degree); membership chair, Shawnee District of the Boy Scouts of America, 2012–2018; member, St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, Cape Girardeau. Married with four children. Appointed to the Court of Appeals, Feb. 14, 2020. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022.

PHILIP M. HESS

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Biography: Served as United States Senate Page, summer 1975. Educated in Crystal City Public Schools; Rockhurst University, B.A., 1980 in economics and philosophy; and University of Missouri School of Law, J.D., 1983. Married to Teresa Mayhew Hess with three sons. Engaged in the private practice of law for 30 years, the last 15 as a partner in Larsen & Hess, P.C. Member: St. Ambrose Parish; The Missouri Bar, past chair of its Workers' Compensation Committee; Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis, past chair of its Workers' Compensation Committee; Lawyers Association. Past president, Missouri Association of Trial Attorneys (MATA). Received Outstanding Service Award, MATA, 2012; President's Award, MATA, 2003; elected Fellow, College of Workers' Compensation Attorneys, 2009. Appointed to the Court of Appeals, November 2013. Chief judge, July 2016–June 2017. Retained in 2016. Term expires Dec. 31, 2028.



KURT S. ODENWALD

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Biography: Born in St. Louis. Educated at University of Missouri–St. Louis, *magna cum laude*, B.A. in political science, 1976; St. Louis University School of Law, *cum laude*, J.D., 1979. Recipient of fellowship to study German law through the German Academic Exchange Service and the Ministry of Justice for NordRhein-Westfalen. Former member and chair of the St. Louis County Council. Married to Sandra M. Odenwald; four children. Previously employed as associate general counsel for Anheuser-Busch, Inc. Served as assistant public defender, City of St. Louis. Partner with Guilfoil, Petzall & Shoemaker prior to appointment to the bench. Member: St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church; Missouri Bar Association; Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis. Appointed to the Court of Appeals, Oct. 30, 2007. Retained in 2008. Chief judge, 2011–2012. Term expires Dec. 31, 2032.



LISA PAGE

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Biography: Educated at Southeast Missouri State, B.A., *magna cum laude*, 1988; St. Louis University School of Law, J.D., 1997. In private practice from 1997–2005. Municipal judge for Crystal City and De Soto from 2003–2005. Family Court Commissioner, Jefferson County, from 2005–2007. Circuit judge for the 23rd Judicial Circuit Court of Missouri, 2007–2016, presiding judge, 2011–2013. Administrative judge for the Jefferson County Family Court from 2007–2016. Member: American Bar Association, the Missouri Bar, Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis, Women Lawyers' Association of Greater St. Louis, Supreme Court Civic Education Committee, Supreme Court Trial Judge Education Committee, Appellate Judges Education Committee, Missouri Court Management Institute. Richard B. Teitelman Distinguished Service Award, 2013. Judicial Excellence Award–Circuit, 2014. Women's Justice Award for Public Service, 2015; Judicial Excellence Award–Civic Education, 2015 and ASTAR Fellow. Appointed to Court of Appeals, December 2015. Term expires Dec. 31, 2030.





ANGELA TURNER QUIGLESS

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Office address: One Post Office Sq., 815 Olive St., St. Louis 63101.

Biography: Married with one child. Educated at University of Missouri–Columbia, B.A.; St. Louis University Law School, J.D. Previously employed at the Missouri Department of Revenue; Missouri Public Service Commission; St. Louis Circuit Attorney's Office; St. Louis City Counselor's Office and the U.S. Attorney's Office for Eastern District of Missouri. Member: Missouri Bar, Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis, American Bar Association, National Bar Association of Women Judges, Lawyers Association of St. Louis, Women Lawyers Association and the Mound City Bar Association. Serves on the Supreme Court Family Court Committee, the Supreme Court Appellate Rules Committee and the Commission on Racial and Ethnic Fairness. Appointed associate circuit judge for the 22nd Judicial Circuit, Feb. 1995 and circuit judge, Jan. 2003. Appointed to the Missouri Court of Appeals, April 2012. Chief Judge, 2014–2015. Term expires Dec. 31, 2026.



CRISTIAN M. STEVENS

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Biography: Educated at University of Missouri–Columbia, B.A., *magna cum laude*, 1995, University of Missouri–Columbia School of Law, J.D. *cum laude*, 1998. Editor-in-Chief, *Missouri Law Review*; Order of the Coif. Law clerk to Hon. Pasco M. Bowman II, chief judge, United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit, 1998–1999. Private practice at the law firm of Bryan Cave, LLP, 1999–2002. Assistant United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Missouri, 2002–2017. Partner at the law firm of Armstrong Teasdale, LLP, 2017–2019. First assistant attorney general and deputy attorney general for the Criminal Division, Missouri Attorney General's Office, 2019–2021. Member: Missouri Bar, Illinois Bar, St. Louis County Bar Association, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit, U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Missouri, Federal Bar Association, The Federalist Society St. Louis Lawyers' Chapter, Phi Beta Kappa National Honor Society. Parishioner, Catholic Church. Member: The Backstoppers, Inc.; Missouri Athletic Club and Whitehouse Retreat, St. Louis Jesuit House of Retreats. Married with three children. Appointed to the Court of Appeals in October 2021. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022.



JOHN TORBITZKY

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Biography: Born in St. Louis County. Educated at University of Missouri, B.A., *cum laude* with departmental honors; St. Louis University School of Law, J.D., *summa cum laude*. Order of the Woolsack; Alpha Sigma Nu Honor Society. Managing editor, *St. Louis University Law Journal*. Law clerk to the Hon. Zel M. Fischer, Supreme Court of Missouri, 2012–2014. In private practice from 2014–2021. Awarded: *Missouri Lawyers Weekly's* "Up and Coming" Award, 2018. Member: The Missouri Bar, the Illinois Bar, American Bar Association, Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis, St. Louis County Bar Association, and The BackStoppers. Vice chair, The Missouri Bar, Access to Justice Committee. Board member, Cornerstone Center for Early Learning. Married with two children. Appointed to Court of Appeals in August 2021. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022.



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The Southern District Court of Appeals meets in Springfield and in Poplar Bluff. Judges are named to 12-year terms under a nonpartisan selection plan set out in the Missouri Constitution. Each of the district's seven judges earns an annual salary of \$167,535. Members of the court elect one from their number to act as chief judge.

Territorial jurisdiction:

The counties of Barry, Barton, Bollinger, Butler, Camden, Carter, Cedar, Christian, Crawford,

Dade, Dallas, Dent, Douglas, Dunklin, Greene, Hickory, Howell, Iron, Jasper, Laclede, Lawrence, Maries, McDonald, Mississippi, New Madrid, Newton, Oregon, Ozark, Pemiscot, Phelps, Polk, Pulaski, Reynolds, Ripley, Scott, Shannon, St. Clair, Stoddard, Stone, Taney, Texas, Wayne, Webster and Wright.

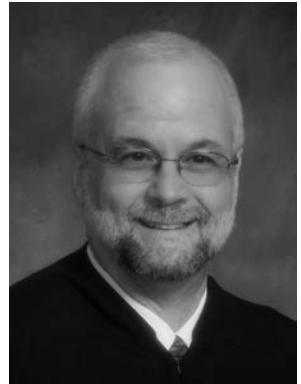
Except by different stipulation of the parties, all cases from the counties of Bollinger, Butler, Carter, Crawford, Dent, Dunklin, Iron, Mississippi, New Madrid, Oregon, Pemiscot, Reynolds, Ripley, Scott, Shannon, Stoddard and Wayne will be heard at Poplar Bluff.

GARY W. LYNCH

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Office address: 300 Hammons Pkwy., Springfield 65806.

Biography: Chief judge. Born in St. Petersburg, Florida. Educated at Southwest Baptist University, B.A. in mathematics and elementary education, 1974; and the University of Missouri–Columbia, J.D., 1976. Married Dana J. Cochran on Aug. 17, 1974. They have two sons. Practiced law in Bolivar, 1977–2002. Served as associate circuit judge of Polk County in the 30th judicial circuit, 2003–2006. Member: Missouri Law Review; Polk County, Springfield Metropolitan and Missouri Bar associations. Appointed to the Court of Appeals, Jan. 6, 2006, for a term beginning on Feb. 1, 2006. Retained in 2008 and 2020. Term expires Dec. 31, 2032.



JEFFREY BATES

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Office address: 300 Hammons Pkwy., Springfield 65806.

Biography: Educated at Southwest Missouri State University, B.S., 1979; and the University of Missouri–Columbia, J.D., 1984. Practiced law in Springfield for 19 years prior to being appointed to the bench. Member: Order of the Coif; Phi Delta Phi; Missouri Law Review; Springfield Metropolitan and Missouri Bar Associations. Appointed to the Court of Appeals, Nov. 14, 2003, for a term beginning on Dec. 1, 2003. Retained in 2006 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2030.





DON E. BURRELL JR.

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Office address: 300 Hammons Pkwy., Springfield 65806.

Biography: Born in Springfield. Educated at Missouri State University (formerly Southwest Missouri State University), B.S., 1983; and the University of Missouri–Kansas City, J.D., 1991. Married Denise Campfield in 1983. They have one son, Brooks, and one daughter, Claire. Practiced law in Kansas City and Springfield. Member: UMKC Law Review; Order of Bench and Robe; Springfield Metropolitan and Missouri Bar associations; Chair of Civil Rules Committee; former Chair of Trial Judge Education Committee; Kids' Court. Elected circuit judge of the 31st judicial circuit in 1998. Re-elected in 2000 and 2006 (three years as presiding judge). Inaugural recipient of Springfield Metropolitan Bar Association's Judicial Excellence award in 2007. Appointed to the Court of Appeals, Jan. 13, 2008. Chief judge, 2011–2013. Retained in 2010. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022.



WILLIAM W. FRANCIS JR.

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Biography: Born in Springfield. Educated at Southwest Missouri State University, B.S., 1974; and the University of Missouri–Columbia, J.D., 1977. Married Beverly A. Francis; they have three children. Practiced law with Miller, Fairman, Sanford & Carr as an associate, 1977–1982. Partner: Miller & Sanford, 1982–1989 and Placzek & Francis, 1989–2010. Judge Francis is the author of many publications. Member: First & Calvary Presbyterian Church, ordained deacon, elder and former trustee; Founders Club, Missouri State University; American Cancer Society; Missouri Bar, 1977–present; vice chair, Insurance Law Committee, 1979–1988; Workers' Compensation Committee, 1981–2010, chair, 1988–2000, vice chair, 1992–1997, Legislative Review Subcommittee, 2003–2005; Springfield Metropolitan Bar Association, president, 1987; board of directors, 1985–1986, Library Committee, 1984; Charter & Bylaws Committee, 1986; Workers' Compensation Committee, chair, 1991; Medical/Legal Workers' Compensation Committee, 1990–1996 and Bench/Bar Committee, 2007–2010. Appointed to the Court of Appeals, May 2010. Chief judge, 2013–2015. Retained in 2012. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024.



JACK A. L. GOODMAN

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Office address: 300 Hammons Pkwy, Springfield 65806.

Biography: Born in Aurora. Graduate of Pierce City High School, 1991; University of Missouri–Columbia, bachelor's degree, 1995; University of Missouri–Columbia School of Law, J.D., 1998. Married to Laura since 1999, with two sons. Presiding Judge, 39th Circuit, 2012–2021. Served in Missouri Senate, 2005–2012; Senate asst. majority leader, 2007–2012; chair of Senate Committees: Judiciary & Civil & Criminal Jurisprudence, General laws, Governmental Accountability & Fiscal Oversight. Vice chair of Senate Committee on Ways & Means. Served in Missouri House of Representatives, 2003–2005; House asst. majority leader, 2004–2005. Attorney in private practice, 1998–2012; assistant prosecuting attorney 1997–2002. Former member: Missouri Tourism Commission, Children's Services Commission, Missouri Rural Economic Development Council, Southwest Center Advisory Council, American Lung Association Governmental Relations Committee. Member, Trinity Lutheran Church (Board of Elders, 2014–2020). Various civic organizations. Appointed to the Court of Appeals, Dec. 23, 2020.

MARY W. SHEFFIELD

Office phone: (417) 895-6818

Office address: 300 Hammons Pkwy., Springfield 65806

Biography: Born in Durham, N.C. Educated at North Carolina State University, B.A., 1976; and the University of Miami, J.D., 1980. Editor: *Lawyer of the Americas Journal of International Law*. Married to Dr. W. Kent Wray. Has three children, Jennifer, Katherine, and Christopher. Former president of the National College of Probate Judges and past president of the Blue Ridge Institute for Juvenile and Family Law Judges. Appointed to serve as one of four U.S. International Liaison Network Judges for the Hague Convention on Child Abduction. Co-founded the Russell House in Phelps County and CASA of South Central Missouri. Appointed to the Missouri Task Force on Aging-Out. Appointed by the Supreme Court of Missouri to chair the Missouri Family Court Committee and appointed as co-chair for the Committee on Combatting Human Trafficking and Domestic Violence. Received the CASA HOPE Award in 2011. Recipient of the *Missouri Lawyers Weekly's* Women's Justice Awards honoree class of 2012. Involved in her Rotary Club, PEO, the First United Methodist Church and The Community Partnership. Elected as associate circuit judge for Phelps County in 1983 and then as presiding circuit judge for the 25th Judicial Circuit in 2004 and 2010. Appointed to the Court of Appeals in Dec. 2012. Chief judge July 2015–June 2017. Retained in 2014. Term expires Dec. 31, 2026.

**VACANCY**

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Appellate Judges, Western District

1300 Oak St., Kansas City 64106

Clerk: Kimberly K. Boeding

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The Western District Court of Appeals is headquartered in Kansas City. The court primarily hears cases in Kansas City but also sits in locations throughout the district. Judges are named to 12-year terms under a nonpartisan selection plan set out in the Missouri Constitution. Each of the district's 11 judges earns an annual salary of \$167,535. The chief judge serves a two-year term by rotation, generally according to seniority.

Territorial Jurisdiction:

The counties of Adair, Andrew, Atchison, Bates, Benton, Boone, Buchanan, Caldwell, Callaway, Carroll, Cass, Chariton, Clay, Clinton, Cole, Cooper, Daviess, DeKalb, Gentry, Grundy, Harrison, Henry, Holt, Howard, Jackson, Johnson, Lafayette, Linn, Livingston, Macon, Mercer, Miller, Moniteau, Morgan, Nodaway, Pettis, Platte, Putnam, Randolph, Ray, Saline, Schuyler, Sullivan, Vernon and Worth.



CYNTHIA LYNETTE MARTIN

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Office address: 1300 Oak St., Kansas City 64106.

Biography: Chief judge. Born in Clinton. Educated at Lee's Summit High School, 1977; William Jewell College, *summa cum laude*, B.A. in communication and B.A. in psychology, 1981; University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law, Order of the Coif, J.D., 1984. Married to James D. Martin. She has two sons. Engaged in private practice for 25 years, the last 10 years as a solo practitioner. Member: National Conference of Bar Examiners, board of trustees, 2011–2021; Missouri Board of Law Examiners, 2001–2011; KC Metropolitan Bar Foundation, president, 2002–2003; Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association, president, 1999; Young Lawyers Section of the KC MBA, president, 1990; 16th Circuit Judicial Nominating Committee, lawyer member, 2004–2009; Association for Women Lawyers; Lee's Summit Educational Foundation, board member, 2006–2009; Southeastern Jackson County Citizens Association, board member, 2002–2009; Lee's Summit North Music Parents Organization, president, 2005–2006. Listed Among the Best of the Bar by *Missouri Lawyer's Weekly* 2003, 2005–2009. Listed as Missouri and Kansas Super Lawyer, 2006–2009. Women's Justice Award, Public Official, 2010. Appointed to the Court of Appeals, Oct. 13, 2009. Retained in 2012. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024.



ALOK AHUJA

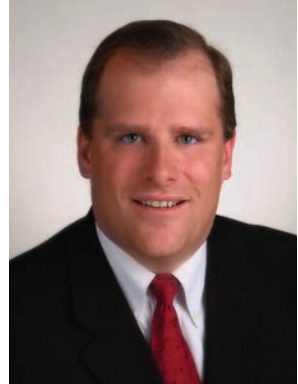
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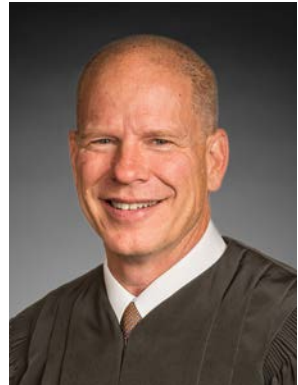
Biography: Born in Raipur, India. Educated at the University of Kansas, B.A., philosophy and English literature; Yale Law School, J.D. Married to Nina J. Ahuja. They have two daughters. Following graduation from law school, Judge Ahuja served as a law clerk to Judge Richard D. Cudahy on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit in Chicago, 1988–1989 and engaged in private practice in Washington, DC, 1989–1992. He returned to Kansas City in 1992, where he practiced with the Lathrop & Gage law firm as an associate, 1992–1997 and member, 1997–2007. Appointed to the Court of Appeals, Dec. 19, 2007. Retained in 2010. Served as chief judge, 2014–2016. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022.

EDWARD R. ARDINI JR.**Office phone:** (816) 889-3623.**Office address:** 1300 Oak St., Kansas City 64106.

Biography: Born in South Weymouth, Massachusetts. Married to Sheri J. Ardin; they have three children, Chandler, Kayla and Kaitlyn. Educated at Merrimack College, North Andover, Mass., B.A. and New England School of Law, Boston, Mass., J.D. Served as assistant attorney general, Office of the Missouri Attorney General, 1992–2009; Counsel to the Attorney General, 2003–2009; Chief Counsel, Public Safety Division, 1999–2003. Served as Counsel to the Governor of Missouri, 2009–2016. Member: The Crossing Church, Columbia; The Missouri Bar; Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association; Boone County Bar Association. Appointed by Governor Jeremiah W. (Jay) Nixon to the Court of Appeals, July 15, 2016. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2030.

**THOMAS N. CHAPMAN****Office phone:** (816) 889-3632**Office address:** 1300 Oak St., Kansas City 64106

Biography: Born in Chillicothe. Graduate of Westminster College, B.A. in political science, 1988; Univ. of Virginia School of Law, J.D., 1991 and the Univ. of Mo.—Kansas City School of Law, Masters of Law, Taxation, 1995. Married to Lindy Hardin of Louisville, Kentucky, 1993. They have two daughters and one son. Engaged in private practice of law for 19 years. Member: Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Assoc.; Missouri Bar Assoc.; Livingston County Bar Assoc.; Missouri Circuit Judge Assoc., past member, 2011–18; and by appointment of the Chief Justice, serves as a member of the Missouri Criminal Justice Task Force and on the Missouri Sentencing Advisory Commission. Chillicothe Rotary Club, member and past pres., and Edgewood Cemetery, board member. Attends the First Baptist Church of Chillicothe. Has served as Chillicothe R-II School District, past member and board pres.; Greater Chillicothe Visitors Region, past member and chair; Boy Scouts of America, past member and district finance chair; Retired Senior Volunteer Program [R.S.V.P.], past advisory council member; Chillicothe Area Arts Council, past member; New Horizons Board for the Developmentally Disabled, past board member and the Chillicothe Development Corporation, past board member and president. Elected circuit judge in the 43rd Judicial Circuit in 2010. Re-elected in 2012. Served as presiding judge of the 43rd Judicial Circuit, August 2012–August 2018. Appointed to the Court of Appeals, Aug. 30, 2018. Retained in 2020. Term expires Dec. 31, 2032.

**ANTHONY REX GABBERT****Office phone:** (816) 889-3605.**Office address:** 1300 Oak St., Kansas City 64106.

Biography: Born in Kansas City. Educated University of Missouri–Kansas City, B.A. 1980; Mississippi College School of Law, J.D., 1985. He has two daughters. Private practice, 1986, 1991–1994; assistant prosecuting attorney, Clay County, 1987–91; prosecuting attorney, Gladstone, 1991–1993; municipal judge, North Kansas City, 1993–1994; associate circuit judge, circuit court, Clay County, 1994–2004; circuit judge, circuit court of Clay County, 2004–2013 (served as presiding judge 2008–2010); Member: Missouri Bar, Kansas Bar Association; Clay County Bar Association, past secretary-treasurer; Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association; American Judges Association. Past member: Circuit Judge, Executive Council of the Missouri Judiciary, board member of the Missouri Judicial Legislative Steering Committee; board member of the Missouri Municipal and Associate Circuit Judges' Association; 6th Congressional District member of the 1993 U.S. Attorney and U.S. Marshall nomination selection committee; board of trustees, Clay-Platte-Ray Mental Health Tax Levy committee; board of trustees of North Kansas City Hospital, past secretary; and adjunct faculty: Mid-American Nazarene University, Ottawa University, Park University, Penn Valley Community College and Rockhurst University. Appointed to the Court of Appeals, April 3, 2013. Term expires Dec. 31, 2026.





LISA WHITE HARDWICK

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Office address: 1300 Oak St., Kansas City 64106.

Biography: Born in Kansas City. Educated at University of Missouri–Columbia, B.J., 1982; Harvard Law School, J.D., 1985. Practiced law with Shook, Hardy & Bacon in Kansas City as associate, 1985–1991, and partner, 1992–2000. Elected to Jackson County Legislature, 1993–2000. Member: St. James United Methodist Church; Jackson County and Kansas City Metropolitan Bar associations; Harry S. Truman Library Institute, secretary/board of directors, St. Luke's Hospital, board of directors; Center School District Education Foundation, board of directors; Kansas City Girls Preparatory Academy, board of directors; Kansas City Crime Commission, board of directors; DEED Foundation, president/board of directors; Supreme Court of Missouri Commission on Racial and Ethnic Fairness, co-chair. Appointed circuit judge of Jackson County, 16th Judicial Circuit in 2000. Appointed to the Court of Appeals, May 2, 2001. Chief judge, 2010–2012. Retained in 2002 and 2014. Term expires Dec. 31, 2026.



KAREN KING MITCHELL

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Office address: 1300 Oak St., Kansas City 64106.

Biography: Born in Kansas City, Missouri. Married to Gregory C. Mitchell, Esq.; they have one son, Samuel H. Mitchell. Educated at the University of Missouri–Columbia, B.A., and the University of Missouri–Kansas City, J.D. Served as a law clerk to the Hon. Fernando J. Gaitan, Missouri Circuit Court, 16th Judicial Circuit, 1984–1985 and the Hon. Charles B. Blackmar, Supreme Court of Missouri, 1985–1986. Served as an assistant attorney general, office of the Missouri Attorney General, 1987–2009; chief deputy attorney general, 1999–2009 and state solicitor, 1996–1999. Member: Saint Andrews Lutheran Church, ELCA; Missouri Supreme Court Trial Judge Education Committee, chair; Board of Governors, The Missouri Bar, 2007–2010; Elwood L. Thomas Inn of Court, 2007–2012; Missouri Supreme Court Committee on Procedure in Criminal Cases, 2009–2012; Missouri Supreme Court Appellate Practice Committee, 2003–2009 and Judicial Task Force for Gender and Justice. Recipient of the David J. Dixon Award for outstanding appellate advocacy. Appointed by Gov. Jeremiah W. (Jay) Nixon to the Court of Appeals, July 9, 2009. Chief judge, 2018–2020. Retained in 2010. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022.



MARK D. PFEIFFER

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Office address: 1300 Oak St., Kansas City 64106.

Biography: Educated at Westminster College, B.A., 1989; University of Missouri–Columbia School of Law, J.D., 1991. Married (July 1, 1989) to Tracey W. Pfeiffer. They have two sons, Wilson and Brady. Practiced law in the area of civil litigation (trial and appellate) with Farrington & Curtis, 1992–1995, Springfield and Bley & Pfeiffer, 1995–2009, Columbia. Appointed to the Court of Appeals, May 6, 2009. Member: The Crossing (Presbyterian) Church; The Missouri Bar; Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association; Boone County Bar Association; Council of Chief Judges of State Courts of Appeal, Executive Committee; National Board of Trial Advocacy, Judicial Fellow. Adjunct Faculty: Westminster College, 2010–present (teaches American Jurisprudence course). Chief judge, 2016–2018. Retained in 2010. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022.

W. DOUGLAS THOMSON

Office phone: (816) 889-3626.

Office address: 1300 Oak St., Kansas City 64106.

Biography: Born in Kansas City. Graduate of Maryville High School, 1981; Missouri State University, B.S., finance, 1985; University of Missouri–Kansas City Law School, J.D., 1989. Associate with Krebs & Holdsworth, Liberty, 1989–1993; associate and then partner with Zahnd, Ross & Thomson and its successors, Maryville, 1995–2013; solo practice in Maryville, 2014. Maryville Host Lions Club, 1995–2021; board of governors of the Missouri Bar, 2011–present, president’s award, 2018; fellow of the Missouri Bar; Missouri Association of Probate and Associate Circuit Judges, 2015–present, board of directors, 2018–present; past president and current member of the Fourth Judicial Circuit Bar Association; Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association. Elected associate circuit judge, 2014. Re-elected in 2018. Appointed to the Court of Appeals, 2020. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022.

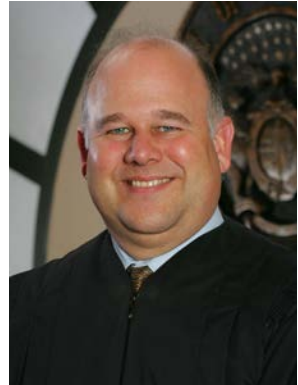


GARY D. WITT

Office phone: (816) 889-3608.

Office address: 1300 Oak St., Kansas City 64106.

Biography: Born in Smithville. Graduate of William Jewell College, B.A., 1987; University of Missouri–Columbia, J.D., 1990. Married to Angie LaRose Witt, 1994. Practiced law, Witt, Hicklin and Witt, P.C. until his appointment as a Platte County associate circuit judge, 1998–2010. State representative 29th Dist., 1991–96 (chair, Judiciary and Ethics Committee and Special Committee on Impeachment); assistant city attorney and prosecutor for four cities; Governor’s Commission on Driving While Intoxicated and Impaired Driving, 1991; Governor’s Task Force on Urban Violence, 1993; Missouri Probate and Associate Circuit Judges Association, past president; Interim Legislative Committee on Judicial Resources, 2003; Chief Justice Advisory Council, 2005–10. Member Platte County Bar Association, president, 2002–03; Platte County Mechanical and Agricultural Society, stockholder; Platte County Historical Society, life member; MU Alumni Association, life member; Judicial Conference Legislative Committee, chair; Walter Pope Binns Public Service Fellow; William Jewell College, 1993; Ten Outstanding Young Missourians; Missouri Jaycees, 1993. Voted Best Associate Circuit Judge; *Missouri Lawyer’s Weekly* newspaper reader’s poll, 2009; Appellate Judicial Excellence Award, 2020. Appointed to the Court of Appeals, February 2010. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024.



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Missouri Circuit Courts

Missouri's first two circuit courts were established in 1815. The 1820 Constitution provided for the creation of four circuits, each containing from four to eight counties. The number of circuits has increased over the years; today, 46 circuits operate in Missouri.

The first circuit judges were appointed by the governor and confirmed by the Senate. The life term of the judges and their method of appointment proved unpopular, however; in 1850, the constitution was amended to provide for popular election. Most circuit judges are elected today, though judges in six circuits—Clay, Greene, Jackson, Platte and St. Louis counties and the City of St. Louis—are selected under provisions of the Nonpartisan Court Plan.

Constitutional amendments approved by Missouri voters in 1976 provide that the circuit courts shall be courts of original civil and criminal jurisdiction. All trials start at this level. Former courts of limited jurisdiction became divisions of the circuit court effective Jan. 2, 1979.

Within the divisions of the circuit court, there are three levels of jurisdiction: circuit, associate and municipal. Circuit judges may act within all circuit jurisdictions.

The number of circuit judges is determined by the General Assembly. The constitution requires at least one circuit judge in each of Missouri's 46 judicial circuits.

Associate circuit judges may hear matters pending in the circuit court or assigned by the Supreme Court. Associate circuit judges hear all cases pursuant to Chapter 517, RSMo, and have concurrent jurisdiction over all cases pending in the circuit court.

The constitution requires at least one resident associate circuit judge in each county. The statutes authorize additional associate circuit judges depending on county populations. Presently, there are 197 associate circuit judges.

Municipalities with 400,000 or more people must establish a municipal division over which a municipal judge presides. Communities of fewer than 400,000 people may establish municipal divisions to hear ordinance violations, or the municipality may request that these matters be heard in the associate division of the circuit court. Municipal judges are paid locally.

By statute, each circuit judge appoints a court reporter, and the court in each circuit appoints a juvenile officer. A circuit clerk in each county is selected according to law, and salaries are set by statute.

Circuit court judges must be at least 30 years old, residents of their circuit, licensed to practice law in Missouri, U.S. citizens for 10 years and Missouri voters for three years. Circuit judges serve six-year terms. Associate circuit judges must be at least 25 years old, Missouri voters and residents of the counties they serve and licensed to practice law in Missouri. Associate circuit judges serve four-year terms.

Circuit court judges each earn \$159,578 annually; associate circuit court judges earn \$146,812. Compensation is determined by state constitution (article XIII, section 3 of the *Missouri Constitution*).

Circuit Realignment

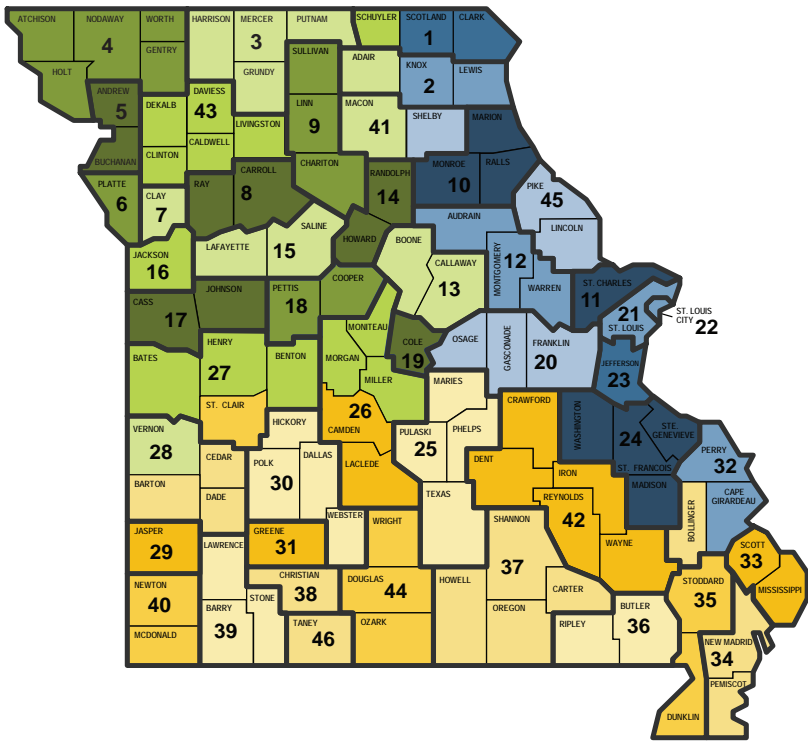
In 2013, the Missouri legislature authorized the Judicial Conference of Missouri to alter the geographic boundaries of the current judicial circuits, if determined necessary. As required by statute, the Judicial Conference submitted a report with its realignment plan to the legislature. The statute constrained the plan by requiring that it neither increase nor decrease the number of circuits from the number in existence on Dec. 31, 2019.

Based on this analysis, the Judicial Conference made two recommendations for circuit realignment. The Missouri legislature did not modify those recommendations so they will take effect as follows:

Move Benton County from the 30th circuit to the 27th circuit, effective Jan. 1, 2022;

Move Carter County from the 37th circuit to the 36th circuit, effective Jan. 1, 2023.

Missouri's 46 Judicial Circuits





Circuit Court Judges



Circuit 1

RICK R. ROBERTS

Office address: Scotland County Courthouse, 117 S. Market, Rm. 205, Memphis 63555; phone (660) 465-7012.

Counties: Clark, Schuyler and Scotland.

Biography: Presiding judge. Born in Keokuk, Iowa. United States Air Force, 1973–1977. Graduate of Truman State University (formerly Northeast Missouri State University), B.A. public administration and history, *summa cum laude*, 1980; University of Missouri–Kansas City, J.D., 1983. Married Diana Hart, Nov. 26, 1986. Engaged in private practice in Kahoka, 1983–2010. Served as city attorney for the cities of Kahoka, Wayland and Alexandria; general counsel for the Second Judicial Circuit Juvenile Division, 1997–2010. Elected associate circuit judge for Clark County, November 2010. Appointed by Gov. Jeremiah (Jay) Nixon to fill unexpired term, December 2010. Elected November 2014. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 2

RUSSELL E. STEELE

Office address: Adair County Courthouse, Third Fl., 106 W. Washington, Kirksville 63501; phone (660) 665-3145.

Counties: Adair, Knox and Lewis.

Biography: Presiding judge. Born in Kirksville. Graduate of University of Missouri–Columbia, A.B., economics, 1974; J.D., 1977. In private law practice, 1977–1997. Member: Missouri, Adair County and American Bar associations. Appointed circuit judge, December 1997. Elected 1998. Retained: 2000–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Democrat.



Circuit 3

THOMAS R. ALLEY

Office address: Harrison County Courthouse, Bethany 64424; phone (660) 748-3430.

Counties: Grundy, Harrison, Mercer and Putnam.

Biography: Presiding judge. Born in Harrison County. Graduate of Missouri Western State University, B.S., Business Administration, Accounting, *summa cum laude*; University of Missouri–Kansas City, JD; Certified Public Accountant. Wife Carla and son Willoughby. Employment: Missouri State Auditor's Office; Tax Division of Ernst & Whinney (now Ernst & Young); private practice in Clay County; Municipal Judge, Kearney, Mo.; adjunct professor, William Jewell College; city prosecutor, Bethany. Member: Methodist Church; Bethany Rotary Club, past president; Masonic Lodge; Missouri Bar; Third Circuit Bar. Served as Harrison County associate circuit judge, 1999–2018. Elected circuit judge, November 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Republican.

Circuit 4

ROGER M. PROKES

Office address: 305 N. Main, Ste. 204, Maryville 64468; phone (660) 582-4231.

Counties: Atchison, Gentry, Holt, Nodaway and Worth.

Biography: Presiding judge. Born in Scottsbluff, Nebraska. Graduate of University of Nebraska–Lincoln, B.S., business administration, 1973; J.D., 1976. Married Julie A. Willson, June 2, 1975. They have five children. Engaged in general law practice in northwest Missouri for 24 years. Former assistant professor of business law and adjunct professor of education law at Northwest Missouri State University. ASTAR trained. Member: Presiding Judges Executive Committee. Elected circuit judge, 2000. Retained: 2006, 2012 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Republican.



Circuit 5—Division 4

DANIEL F. KELLOGG

Office address: Buchanan County Courthouse, 411 Jules, St. Joseph 64501; phone (816) 271-1511.

Counties: Andrew and Buchanan.

Biography: Presiding judge. Born in St. Joseph. Graduate of Missouri Western State University, B.S.B.A., 1982; University of Missouri–Columbia, J.D., 1988. Married Jennifer Lang, Dec. 30, 1988. They have four children: Xan, Joseph, Annaka and Jemel. Engaged in private practice in Kansas City, 1988–1990. Served as an asst. prosecuting attorney for Buchanan Co. and practiced law, 1990–1995. Member: Central Standard Chorus; KC Cauldron; Robidoux Resident Theatre; St. Joseph Chamber of Commerce; National Association of Juvenile and Family Court Judges–Audit Committee; Missouri and St. Joseph Bar associations; National and Missouri Association of Drug Court Professionals and Missouri Western Arts Society. Appointed associate circuit judge in 1995 by Gov. Mel Carnahan. Elected in 1996. Retained: 1998. Elected circuit judge, 2000. Retained: 2006–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Democrat.



Circuit 5—Division 1

KATE SCHAEFER

Office address: Buchanan County Courthouse, 411 Jules, St. Joseph 64501; phone (816) 271-1447.

Counties: Andrew and Buchanan.

Biography: Graduate of Missouri Western State University, B.S., Criminal Justice with an Emphasis in Legal Studies, 2000; Chapman University School of Law, J.D., 2003. Married to Mike Schaefer, they have three children: Brittan, Brooklyn and Drexel. Served as assistant prosecuting attorney for Buchanan County, 2003–2018. Presides over a variety of circuit court civil and criminal cases in Andrew and Buchanan counties, including domestic relations (divorce and paternity), personal injury and property damage jury trials involving claims of more than \$25,000, actions for injunctive relief and felony criminal offenses. Elected circuit judge, 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Republican.



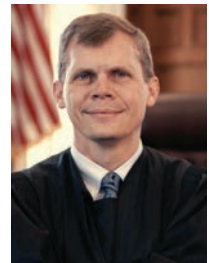
Circuit 5—Division 2

DAVID L. BOLANDER

Office address: Buchanan County Courthouse, 411 Jules, St. Joseph 64501; phone (816) 271-1441.

Counties: Andrew and Buchanan.

Biography: Judge David L. Bolander received his B.A. in History from Eastern University in 1992. He received his law degree from the University of Missouri–Kansas City, 1997. He and his wife, Sue, have two children, Matthew and Sarah. Upon graduation from Law School, Bolander opened his own law office in St. Joseph serving clients in a variety of civil matters, but with a primary focus on legal issues affecting families and children. Judge Bolander served as a substitute municipal judge for the City of St. Joseph from 2011 until being elected circuit judge. Bolander presides over a variety of cases in Andrew and Buchanan counties including custody, paternity, divorce and probate matters, as well as other civil cases with claims of more than \$25,000.00 and occasional felony criminal matters. Elected circuit judge, 2016. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.





Circuit 5—Division 3

PATRICK K. ROBB

Office address: Buchanan County Courthouse, 411 Jules, St. Joseph 64501; phone (816) 271-1444.

Counties: Andrew and Buchanan.

Biography: Graduate of Southeast Missouri State University, B.A., political science; University of Missouri–Kansas City, J.D. Married Carol Ganter, they have two children, Nick and Andrea. Served as assistant prosecuting attorney in Buchanan County and practiced law for seven years. Member: St. Joseph Bar Association; American Judicature Society; Missouri Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges; National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges. Elected associate circuit judge, 1986. Elected circuit judge, 1988. Retained: 1994–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Democrat.



Circuit 6—Division 1

THOMAS C. FINCHAM

Office address: Platte County Courthouse, 415 Third St., Ste. 65, Platte City 64079; phone (816) 858-3431.

County: Platte.

Biography: Graduate of University of Missouri–Kansas City, B.A. in economics, 1977; University of Missouri–Kansas City Law School, J. D., 1981. Engaged in private practice in Kansas City area, 1981–2010. Served as City Attorney and City Prosecutor, Dearborn, 1997–2003. Municipal judge for the following jurisdictions: Oakview, 1995–2010; Richmond, 1999–2010; Ferrelview, 1998–2010; Riverside, 2006–10; Platte Woods, 2003–10 and Lawson, 2001–06. Member: Missouri Municipal and Associate Circuit Judges Association, 1995–present; president, 2011–12, board member, 1999–2020; also serves on the President's Standing Advisory Committee; Missouri, Platte and Clay County Bar Associations. Past member: Missouri Association of Probate and Associate Circuit Judges, board of directors, 2014–17. Appointed associate circuit judge, May 2010. Retained: 2012. Appointed circuit judge November 2013. Retained: 2016. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 6—Division 2

W. ANN HANSBROUGH

Office address: 415 Third St., Platte City 64079; phone (816) 858-3436.

County: Platte.

Biography: Born in Poplar Bluff. Graduate of Univ. of Mo.–Columbia, Bachelor in Journalism, 1982; Univ. of Mo.–Columbia School of Law, J.D., 1985. Practiced at Swanson, Midgley, LLC, 1985–2004; selected firm's first female partner in firm's 112-year history; mgmt. cmte., 1999–2003; founder and director of firm's volunteer attorney project. Married David Stout, 1987; two children: Courtney and Mackenzie Stout. Member: Mo. Human Trafficking and Domestic Violence Comm., 2019–present; Mo. Bar Judicial Conf. Exec. Council, 2018–present; bar register of Preeminent Women Lawyers (Peer Review selected Top 5% of Women Lawyers, 2011–13; "Meritas Law Firms Worldwide", 2003, bd. member; Platte Co. Bar Assoc.; Assoc. of Women Lawyers and Mo. Assoc. of Probate and Assoc. Circuit Judges, bd. member, 2018–2020. Awards: Women's Justice Award, 2019 (presented by Mo. Lawyers' Media); Selected as "Super Lawyer" for Mo., 2008–2011; "Super Lawyer" for Kan., 2008–2011 and Volunteer Service Award, Kan. City Metropolitan Bar Assoc.. Appointed associate circuit judge, Jan. 21, 2014. Elected 2016. Appointed circuit judge, Jan. 15, 2021. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 7—Division 4

DAVID CHAMBERLAIN

Office address: Clay County Courthouse, 11 S. Water St., Liberty 64068; phone (816) 407-3910.

County: Clay.

Biography: Presiding judge. Born in Cambridge, Nebraska. Graduate of Southwest Missouri State (now Missouri State University), 1985, B.S., economics; University of Missouri–Kansas City School of Law, 1989. Married Roberta L. Block, Jan. 4, 1986; they have two children, Amanda and Hannah. Member: Missouri Bar, Clay County Bar and Kansas City Missouri Bar associations. Appointed associate circuit judge, April 10, 2008. Retained: 2010–2018. Appointed circuit judge, Jan. 3, 2019. Retained: 2020. Term expires Dec. 31, 2026. Nonpartisan.

Circuit 7—Division 1

SHANE T. ALEXANDER

Office address: Clay County Courthouse, 11 S. Water St., Liberty 64068; phone (816) 407-3910.

County: Clay.

Biography: Presiding judge. Born in North Kansas City. Graduate of University of Missouri—Columbia, B.A., history, 1990. Surface Warfare Officer, U.S. Navy, 1990–1994. Graduate of University of Missouri—Kansas City, J.D., 1997. Married Amy Alexander in 1993; they have three children. Assistant prosecuting attorney, Buchanan County, 1997–1999; assistant prosecuting attorney, Clay County, 1999–2004; chief assistant prosecuting attorney, Clay County, 2004–2008; municipal judge, Excelsior Springs, 2004–2008 and municipal prosecutor, Smithville, 2006–2008. Appointed circuit judge, Aug. 6, 2008. Elected 2010. Retained: 2016. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 7—Division 2

JANET SUTTON

Office address: Clay County Courthouse, 11 S. Water St., Liberty 64068; phone (816) 407-3920.

County: Clay.

Biography: Born in Kansas City. Graduate of University of Missouri—Kansas City, 1987, B.A., communication studies; J.D., 1990. Lives in Liberty with husband Tim Sutton and son Sam. Assistant prosecutor for Clay County, 1990–2003; chief assistant prosecutor, 2000–2003; municipal prosecutor for Excelsior Springs, May 1994–Dec. 2000. Municipal judge for Excelsior Springs, Jan. 2001–Dec. 2002. Legal counsel to the Clay County Sheriff's Office, 1993–1999. Member: Clay County Bar Association; Association of Women Lawyers of Kansas City, Missouri Associate and Probate Judges Association, Missouri Municipal and Associate Judges Association and KCMBA. Appointed associate circuit judge, January 2003. Retained: 2004–2012. Appointed circuit judge, July 2013. Retained: 2014 and 2020. Term expires Dec. 31, 2026.



Circuit 7—Division 3

K. ELIZABETH DAVIS

Office address: Clay County Courthouse, 11 S. Water St., Liberty 64068; phone (816) 407-3930.

County: Clay.

Biography: Completed undergrad from University of Kansas. Graduated law school from University of Kansas, 1982. Assistant prosecuting attorney for Clay County Non-Support Division, 1982–1997. She is married and has one son. Appointed associate judge, Division 5, February 1997. Appointed circuit judge, Division 3, January 2007. Retained: 2010 and 2016. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 8

KEVIN L. WALDEN

Office address: Carroll County: Courthouse, 8 S. Main, Ste. 3, Carrollton 64633; phone (660) 542-3486; Ray County: Courthouse, 100 W. Main, Ste. 38, Richmond 64085; phone (816) 776-3525.

Counties: Carroll and Ray.

Biography: Presiding judge. Born in Carrollton. Graduated Carrollton High School (1980); Northeast Missouri State University, B.S.E. in History (*cum laude* 1984); University of Iowa College of Law, J.D. (with high distinction 1989; *Iowa Law Review*; Order of the Coif). Married Linda Miller, Jan. 6, 1996. Taught high school social studies (1984–1985). Engaged in private practice of law (1989–2004). Served as Carroll County prosecuting attorney (1997–2004); city attorney for Carrollton, Bogard, Bosworth, DeWitt, Hale & Tina; special assistant attorney general. Member: First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), The Missouri Bar, Carroll County Bar Association (president 1995–2020), Wakanda Masonic Lodge #52, A.F. & A.M. (past master and past grand chaplain), Richmond Lodge #57, A.F. & A.M., Carrollton Lions Club (past president), Richmond Rotary Club. Elected associate circuit judge, 2004. Re-elected: 2006, 2010 and 2014. Appointed circuit judge, October 2017. Elected circuit judge, 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Republican.





Circuit 9 **TERRY TSCHANNEN**

Office address: Linn County Courthouse, PO Box 84, 108 N. High St., Linneus 64653; phone (660) 895-5523.

Counties: Chariton, Linn and Sullivan.

Biography: Presiding judge. Born in St. Louis. Graduate of University of Missouri–Columbia, B.S., business administration, 1985; University of South Carolina, J.D., 1988. Married to Barbara Tschannen with four children. Labor/employment law emphasis, 1988–1992; general practice, 1992–2012. Past board president, Brookfield Rotary, Brookfield Lions, Linn County Senate Bill 40 and Ninth Circuit Bar Association. Former board member, Pershing Memorial Hospital, Linn County Animal Shelter, and North Central YMCA. Elected circuit judge 2012. Retained: 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024.



Circuit 10 **RACHEL BRINGER SHEPHERD**

Office address: Marion County Courthouse, 906 Broadway, Hannibal 63401; phone (573) 221-0579; FAX (573) 221-0366.

Counties: Marion, Monroe and Ralls.

Biography: Presiding judge. Born in Marion County. Married Bobby Shepherd, July 21, 2012. Graduate: Palmyra HS; Univ. of Mo.–Col., B.A., honors, English, *summa cum laude* and J.D. Served as asst. prosecutor, 2000–02; law clerk, 1995–97; state rep., 2002–10; private practice, 1997–2010. Member: Missouri Law Review; South Union Baptist Church, Maywood; Missouri Children's Justice Task Force; Mark Twain Home Foundation Board; Douglass Comm. Services Bd.; Palmyra Kiwanis; Hannibal Rotary; Palmyra Chamber of Commerce; PEO; King's Daughters; GFWC of Hannibal and Beth Haven Board. Former bd. member: Hannibal-LaGrange College, Hannibal Arts Council and American Red

Cross. Honored by the Mo. Judicial Conf., NAACP, UMC School of Law, Mo. Bar, Mo. Farm Bureau, Mo. Assoc. of School Administrators, Palmyra Chamber of Commerce, Hannibal Arts Council and Hannibal Parents as Teachers. Appointed circuit judge, Dec. 30, 2010. Elected in 2012. Retained: 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Democrat.



Circuit 11—Division 4 **MICHAEL J. FAGRAS**

Office address: St. Charles County Courthouse, 300 N. Second St., Rm. 320, St. Charles 63301; phone (636) 949-3094.

County: St. Charles.

Biography: Presiding judge. Born in Niles, Michigan. St. Louis University Law School, J.D., 1993. Married to Cynthia (Grannemann) Fagras. Practiced law in St. Charles, 1993–2018; partner in the Lampin Law Firm and Lampin and Fagras, LLC., 1969–1974. Texas Christian University/Texas Wesleyan College Piano Performance, Major/Pedagogy. Member: Missouri Bar, admitted to the U.S. District Court, 1995, CJA Panel of the Eastern District Court, 2007–2018, Certified Mediator, 2017. Elected circuit judge, 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024.



Circuit 11—Division 1 **REBECA NAVARRO-MCKELVEY**

Office address: St. Charles County Courthouse, 300 N. Second St., Rm. 520, St. Charles 63301; phone: (636) 949-3094.

County: St. Charles.

Biography: Born in Managua, Nicaragua. Graduate of University of Missouri–Columbia, B.A., political science and Spanish, 1997; J.D. 2000. Resides in St. Charles County with her husband and her three children. Served as an associate in the law firm of Armstrong Teasdale in the Litigation and Immigration Departments, 2000–2004; an assistant circuit attorney in the City of St. Louis in the White Collar Crime Unit, 2005–2009; chief legal counsel of the St. Charles County Juvenile Office, 2009–2013; assistant prosecuting attorney for the Sex Crimes and Child Abuse Unit of the St. Charles County Prosecuting

Attorney's Office, 2013–2016; president and founder of Garden of Innocents, a not-for-profit charity providing burials for abandoned infants and children, 2003–present. Elected circuit judge, 2020. Term expires Dec. 31, 2026. Republican.

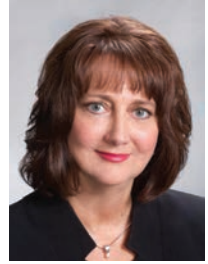
Circuit 11—Division 2

DEBORAH J. ALESSI

Office address: St. Charles County Courthouse, 300 N. Second St., Rm. 420, St. Charles 63301; phone (636) 949-7900.

County: St. Charles.

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Graduate of Truman State University, B.A., 1986 and University of Missouri–Kansas City School of Law, J.D., 1989. Judge Alessi has one son, Jonathan and is a member of St. Peter's Catholic Church. St. Charles County, assistant prosecuting attorney, 1989–1992. Practiced law in St. Charles County, Shea, Kohl, Alessi & Kuhl, L.C., 1992–2016; City of St. Charles, prosecuting attorney, 2008–2016; City of St. John, Municipal Judge, 2015–2016; Member: Missouri Bar Association and St. Charles County Bar Association. Awards: St. Charles County Prosecutor of the Year, 1992 and Lon O. Hocker Memorial Trial Lawyer, 1995. Elected circuit judge, November 2016. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 11—Division 3

JACK BANAS

Office address: St. Charles County Courthouse, 300 N. Second St., Rm. 530, St. Charles 63301; phone (636) 949-7900.

County: St. Charles.

Biography: Born in Lorain, Ohio. Graduate of Southeast Missouri State University, B.S., criminal justice, 1976; M.S., criminal justice administration, 1982; St. Louis University, J.D., 1991. Married Kathy Banas; they have two sons, John and Jacob. Employment: St. Charles City Police, 1977–1991, 1995–1998; Riezman and Blitz Law Firm, 1991–1992; St. Charles County Prosecuting Attorney's Office, assistant prosecuting attorney, 1992–1994, 1994–1995. Member: Sts. Joachim and Ann Church; Advisory Board, Crisis Nursery; former president and board member, The Child Center and St. Charles County Bar Association. Elected prosecuting attorney for St. Charles County, 1998–2010. Elected circuit judge, 2013. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Republican.



Circuit 11—Division 5

JON A. CUNNINGHAM

Office address: St. Charles County Courthouse, 300 N. Second St., Rm. 350, St. Charles 63301; phone (636) 949-3095.

County: St. Charles.

Biography: Born in Louisiana. Graduate of Truman State University, BS., education in history, *magna cum laude*, 1978; University of Missouri–Columbia, J.D., 1982. Married to Sally Cunningham; they have one son, Jonathan. Practiced law in St. Charles, 1982–1990. Past president, St. Charles County Bar Association. Appointed to circuit court budget committee, 2017. Elected associate circuit judge, 1990–2002. Served as presiding judge, 2010–2011. Elected circuit judge, 2006. Retained: 2012 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Republican.



Circuit 11—Division 7

DANIEL PELIKAN

Office address: St. Charles County Courthouse, 300 N. Second St., Rm. 340, St. Charles 63301; phone (636) 949-3026.

County: St. Charles.

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Graduate of University of Missouri, Journalism, 1980; St. Louis University Law School, J.D., 1984. Married to Lisa Pelikan. They have two sons, Nicholas and Johnathan. St. Peter Catholic Church. St. Charles County Asst. County Counselor, 1985–1986; County Counselor, 1986–1987. Member: Children's Trust Fund Board, 1988–1993, chair, 1991–1993; Missouri Bar Board of Governors, 2001–2003; United Services For Handicapped board, 1989–1999, chair 1995–1996; St. Charles Rotary Club; Boys and Girls Club Board; Eagle Scout Association. Supreme Court Automation Committee; Commission On Civil Justice Reform; Supreme Court and Circuit Judges Legislative Committee; Fellow of National Courts and Sciences Institute; Trustee of State Judges Voluntary Fund. Elected associate judge, 1998–2002. Elected circuit judge, 2006–2018. Elected presiding judge, 2019–2020. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024.



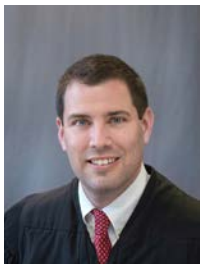


Circuit 12 **JASON H. LAMB**

Office address: Audrain County Courthouse, 101 N. Jefferson St., Mexico 65265; phone (573) 473-5844.

Counties: Audrain, Montgomery and Warren.

Biography: Presiding judge. Graduate of University of Missouri, 1996, B.A. history; Tulane School of Law, 1999, J.D., *Tulane Maritime Law Journal*. Married to Vanessa, they have two sons, Jackson and Brooks. Clerked for Hon. Duane Benton, Supreme Court of Missouri, 1999–2000; practiced law with The Seigfreid Law Firm; elected Audrain County prosecuting attorney, 2003–2009; served as executive director, Missouri office of prosecution services, 2009–2018. Member: First Presbyterian Church, Mexico; Presiding Judge Executive Committee, 2021–present; Trial Judge Education Committee 2020–present; Commission on Combating Human Trafficking and Domestic Violence 2018–present; Criminal Justice Task Force, 2018–present; past member, Missouri Court Automation Committee; served as co-chair, Missouri Bar Criminal Code Revision Sub-Committee, 2008–2014; past board member, Missouri Association of Treatment Court Professionals, 2009–2015; past president, National Association of Prosecutor Coordinators. Elected circuit judge, term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Republican.



Circuit 13—Division 1 **J. HASBROUCK JACOBS**

Office address: Boone County Courthouse, 705 E. Walnut St., Columbia 65201; phone (573) 886-4050.

Counties: Boone and Callaway.

Biography: Presiding judge. Born in Orlando, Fla. University of Florida, B.A., history, 2006; Florida A&M University, J.D., 2008. Served as an assistant prosecuting attorney in Boone County and St. Louis County. Engaged in private law practice in Pinehurst, North Carolina. Served as an assistant state attorney in Orlando, Florida. Married with three children. Presbyterian. Appointed circuit judge, 2017. Elected circuit court judge, 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Republican.



Circuit 13—Division 2 **JEFF HARRIS**

Office address: Boone County Courthouse, 705 E. Walnut St., Columbia 65201; phone (573) 886-4050.

Counties: Boone and Callaway.

Biography: Born in Columbia. Vanderbilt Univ., B.A., *magna cum laude*, 1987. Cornell Law School, J.D., 1991. Cornell Law Review, board of editors. Member: House of Representatives, 2003–09 (Minority Leader, 2004–07; Minority Whip, 2003–04); Policy Director for Governor Jay Nixon, 2009–16. Practiced law with Bryan Cave, Atwill & Montgomery and as Missouri asst. attorney general. Clerked for Hon. William H. Barbour Jr., chief judge, U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Mississippi. Graduate of Harvard Univ. Kennedy School of Government Senior Executive Program. Awards and honors

include Columbia Public Schools Foundation Outstanding Alumni Hall of Leaders; 2004 Democratic National Convention Rules Committee; Cardinal Glennon Champion of Children Award and University of Missouri Presidential Citation Award. Methodist. Appointed circuit judge, 2016. Elected 2016. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Democrat.



Circuit 13—Division 3 **KEVIN CRANE**

Office address: Boone County Courthouse, 705 E. Walnut St., Columbia 65201; phone (573) 886-4050.

Counties: Boone and Callaway.

Biography: Graduate of University of Missouri–Columbia, 1984, speech/communications; University of Missouri–Columbia School of Law, J.D., 1987. Married Lesley Pugh, Sept. 16, 2010. They have six children. Missouri assistant attorney general, 1987–1990; assistant Boone County prosecuting attorney, 1990–1993 and Boone County prosecuting attorney, 1993–2006. Elected circuit judge, 2006. Retained: 2012. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Republican.

Circuit 13—Division 4

JOSHUA C. DEVINE

Office address: Boone County Courthouse, 705 E. Walnut St., Columbia 65201; phone (573) 886-4050.

Counties: Boone and Callaway.

Biography: Born in Columbia. Graduate of Truman State University, B.S., political science, *cum laude*, 2003; University of Missouri–Columbia School of Law, J.D., 2007. Recipient of the Judge L.F. Cotter Award for Excellence in Written and Oral Advocacy, 2005. Elected to membership in The Order of the Coif, 2007. Served as Note & Comment Editor for the *Missouri Law Review*, 2006–2007. Practiced complex litigation with Husch Blackwell, LLP (2007–2010), Ford, Parshall & Baker, LLC (2011–2015), and Rogers, Ehrhardt, Weber & Howard, LLC (2015–Feb. 2018 and Jan. 2019–Jun. 2020). Named to the Missouri & Kansas Rising Stars List by Super Lawyers Magazine in six consecutive years. Member of the Columbia Business Times 2019 Class of “20 Under 40”. Appointed associate circuit judge, February 2018. Appointed circuit judge, June 2020. Elected circuit judge, November 2020. Term expires Dec. 31, 2026. Republican.



Circuit 14

SCOTT HAYES

Office address: Randolph County Courthouse, 372 Hwy. JJ, Ste. 1C, Huntsville 65259; phone (844) 277-6555, ext. 262.

Counties: Howard and Randolph.

Biography: Presiding judge. Graduate of University of Missouri–Columbia School of Law. United States Air Force veteran. Served as Randolph County associate circuit judge, 2003–2006; assistant public defender, 1998–2002 and Randolph County assistant prosecuting attorney, 1994–1998. Member of Missouri Association of Drug Court Professionals, National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges and American Judicature Society. Elected circuit judge, 2006. Re-elected in 2012 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Democrat.



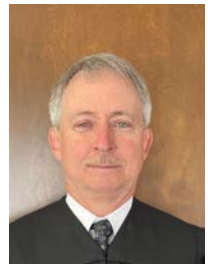
Circuit 15

DENNIS A. ROLF

Office address: PO Box 751, Concordia, 64020; phone (660) 463-5834.

Counties: Lafayette and Saline.

Biography: Presiding judge. Born in Warrensburg. Graduate of Santa Fe High School, Alma, 1977; University of Missouri–Columbia, B.S., agricultural economics, 1980; J.D., 1983. He has three children. Practiced law in Carrollton, 1983–1984, and in Concordia, 1984–2000. Assistant prosecutor for Lafayette County; public defender for Lafayette and Saline counties; municipal prosecutor for Alma, Concordia, Corder, Higginsville, Napoleon and Wellington; municipal attorney for Alma, Concordia, Corder, Napoleon and Wellington; and municipal judge for Alma, Higginsville, Lexington, Napoleon, Waverly and Wellington. Member: Trinity Lutheran Church, Alma; Santa Fe R-10 Foundation, Inc.; Missouri, Lafayette and Saline County Bar associations; The Missouri Bar Disciplinary Committee and active in youth activities. Elected circuit judge, 2000. Retained: 2006–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Democrat.



Circuit 16—Division 6

J. DALE YOUNGS

Office address: Jackson County Courthouse, 415 E. 12th St., Kansas City 64106; phone (816) 881-3606.

County: Jackson.

Biography: Presiding judge. Born in Kansas City. Graduate of University of Missouri–Columbia, B.J.; University of Missouri–Kansas City, J.D. Married with two children. Engaged in private practice of law, 1989–1996 and, 2002–2009. Served as assistant Missouri attorney general, 1996–2002. Served on Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association board of directors and as president of Missouri Institute for Justice. Served as adjunct professor of trial advocacy, University of Missouri–Kansas City School of Law. Member of board of directors, Sherwood Center. Appointed circuit judge, April 30, 2009. Retained: 2010 and 2016. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Nonpartisan.





Circuit 16—Division 1

SARAH A. CASTLE

Office address: Justice Complex, 1315 E. Locust St., Kansas City 64106; phone (816) 881-3601.

County: Jackson.

Biography: Grew up in Denver, Colorado. Attended Univ. of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, bachelor's, 2006; master's, political science with an emphasis in civic leadership and disability studies, 2008; Univ. of Missouri-KC Law School, J.D., 2012. Served as asst. prosecutor, Jackson County, 2013–20; was a special asst. U.S. Attorney, assisted in the prosecution of criminal cases related to illegal possession of firearms. Was a member of Team USA Women's Basketball Team, 2005–12; they won gold, Paralympics, China, 2008; finished fourth, Paralympics, London, 2012. In addition, she is also a swimmer for Team USA, won silver, 100-meter breaststroke, Paralympics, Sydney, Australia, 2000; fourth, 100-meter breaststroke, Paralympics, Athens, Greece, 2004. Enjoys volunteering for community organizations. Member: Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Assoc. and Association of Women Lawyers. Appointed associate circuit judge by Gov. Michael Parson, Jan. 29, 2020 and circuit judge, Oct. 20, 2022. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 16—Division 2

KENNETH R. GARRETT III

Office address: Jackson County Courthouse Annex, 308 W. Kansas Ave., Independence 64050; phone (816) 881-4402.

County: Jackson.

Biography: From Kansas City. Graduate of University of Missouri—Kansas City, B.A., political science; master's, public administration and J.D. Served as an instructor in strategic business planning and policy at Baker University, Overland Park, Kansas. Served as an assistant prosecuting attorney for Jackson County, 2004–2010. Prior to joining the Jackson County prosecuting attorney's office, worked as an assistant attorney general for the state of Missouri, representing various state agencies in civil matters. Member of The Missouri Bar Association; Kansas Bar Association, American Bar Association, Jackson County Bar Association and the Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association. Appointed associate circuit judge, Aug. 26, 2010.

Retained: 2012. Appointed circuit judge by Gov. Jay Nixon, Oct. 4, 2013. Retained: 2014. Term expires Dec. 31, 2026. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 16—Division 3

JERRI J. ZHANG

Office address: Jackson County Courthouse, 415 E. 12th St., Kansas City 64106; phone (816) 881-3603.

County: Jackson.

Biography: Graduate of University of Missouri—Columbia, bachelor of journalism; University of Missouri—Columbia School of Law, J.D.. Prior to appointment as circuit judge, was probate commissioner (since 2020) and deputy probate commissioner (2016–2020) in Division 19. Previously served as Assistant County Counselor for the Jackson County Counselor's Office, staff attorney for the Jackson County Public Administrator, attorney for the Administrative Hearing Commission in Jefferson City. Coordinator of Diversity Programs and Academic Success at the University of Missouri—Columbia School of Law.

Has served on The Missouri Bar Board of Governors, The Missouri Bar Young Lawyers' Section Council, Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association Diversity Committee, Asian American Bar Association of Kansas City and member of the Association of Women Lawyers of Greater Kansas City.



Circuit 16—Division 4

JUSTINE E. DEL MURO

Office address: Jackson County Courthouse, 415 E. 12th St., Kansas City 64106; phone (816) 881-3604.

Home address: Kansas City.

County: Jackson.

Biography: Born in Chicago, Illinois. Graduate of the University of Missouri—Kansas City, B.A., speech and hearing sciences/psychology; University of Missouri—Kansas City School of Law, J.D., 1981–1984. Practiced law at Legal Aid, the Jackson County public defender's office and the Popham Law Firm. Adjunct professor at Rockhurst College, 1990–1991. Member: Association of Women Lawyers; Missouri, Hispanic and Kansas City Metropolitan Bar associations. Recipient of the David J. Dixon Appellate Advocacy Award, 1990. Appointed circuit judge, July 30, 1993. Retained: 1994–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.

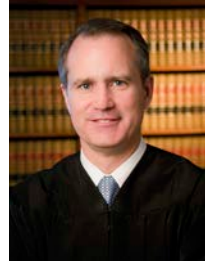
Circuit 16—Division 5

JAMES F. KANATZAR

Office address: Jackson County Courthouse Annex, 308 W. Kansas Ave., Independence 64050; phone (816) 881-4405.

County: Jackson.

Biography: Graduate of Creighton Univ., B.A.; Univ. of Mo.—Kansas City, J.D. Assistant prosecuting attorney for Jackson County, 1993–2000 and 2002–07. During that time, he was a trial team leader, chief trial asst., chief deputy pros. and also served on the homicide committee for the prosecutor's office. Associate for Armstrong Teasdale, Kansas City, 2000–02. Jackson County prosecutor, 2007, elected 2008. Serves on the Board of Governors and the Criminal Law Committee for The Missouri Bar. Member: Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association; Eastern Jackson County Bar Association; Kansas Bar Association and past member, of Missouri Association of Prosecuting Attorneys. Recipient of Louis Lombardo Prosecutor of the Year Award, Distinguished Lifetime Achievement Award from Jackson County and recognized by the U.S. Dept. of Defense with Patriotic Employer Award for support of Guard and Reserve forces. Appointed by Gov. Jay Nixon, 2011. Retained: 2012–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 16—Division 7

S. MARGENE BURNETT

Office address: Jackson County Courthouse, 415 E. 12th St., Kansas City 64106; phone (816) 881-3607.

County: Jackson.

Biography: Born in Warrensburg. Graduate of Univ. of Mo.—Columbia; B.J. in journalism and B.A. in political science; Univ. of Mo.—Kansas City School of Law, J.D. Prior to her appointment as a circuit judge, served for ten years as deputy probate commissioner in Division 19 and was in private practice, 1987–2003. Past president of the following boards: The Missouri Assoc. of Probate and Associate Circuit Judges, The Alumni Assoc. for the Univ. of Mo.—Kansas City School of Law and Sheffield Place, a transitional residential facility for homeless women and children. Member: Joint Commission on Women in the Profession, Univ. of Mo.—Kansas City Alumni Assoc. Governing Board, Univ. of Mo.—Kansas City Law Foundation, Sheffield Place Counsel of Advisors, Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Assoc. and the Assoc. of Women Lawyers. Appointed circuit judge, November 2013. Retained: 2016. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 16—Division 8

BRYAN E. ROUND

Office address: Jackson County Courthouse, 415 E. 12th St., Kansas City 64106; phone (816) 881-3608.

County: Jackson.

Biography: Graduate of Rockhurst H.S., Kansas City, 1979; Univ. of Kansas, B.A., 1984; University of Missouri–Kansas City, J.D., 1987. Served as assistant Jackson County prosecutor, 1988–1997. Appointed to serve as secretary/attorney and later as business manager for the Kansas City Board of Police Commissioners, 1997–2005. Counsel to the Jackson County Combat Commission. Served as municipal judge, City of Peculiar, 2004–2014. Served as Workers' Compensation Panel attorney for the Kansas City area after appointment by the National Football League Players Association. At the time of his appointment, he was an attorney in private practice with the law firm of Mitchell, Kristl & Lieber specializing in workers' compensation, criminal law and business litigation matters. Appointed circuit judge by Gov. Jay Nixon, Feb. 18, 2014. Elected in 2016. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 16—Division 9

JOEL P. FAHNESTOCK

Office address: Jackson County Courthouse, 415 E. 12th St., Kansas City 64106; phone (816) 881-3609.

County: Jackson.

Biography: Born in Marshall. Graduate of William Woods College, B.S., English communications; University of Missouri–Kansas City, J.D., 1994. Prior to appointment, practiced at the United States Attorney's Office—civil division. Served as law clerk to the Hon. Scott O. Wright, 1994–1996. Appointed circuit judge, December 2008. Retained: 2010 and 2016. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Nonpartisan.





Circuit 16—Division 10

PATRICK W. CAMPBELL

Office address: Jackson County Courthouse, 415 E. 12th St., Kansas City 64106; phone (816) 881-3610.

County: Jackson.

Biography: Born in Kansas City. Lifelong resident of Jackson County. Graduate of University of Missouri–Kansas City, B.A., administration of justice and political science, 1984; J.D., 1990. In private practice prior to appointment by the 16th Circuit Court as a Family Court Commissioner in December 2006. Appointed circuit judge by Gov. Jay Nixon, May 6, 2013. Retained: 2014. Term expires Dec. 31, 2026. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 16—Division 11

ADAM L. CAINE

Office address: Jackson County Courthouse, 415 E. 12th St., Kansas City 64106; phone (816) 881-3611.

County: Jackson.

Biography: Graduate of the University of Missouri–Kansas City School of Law where he was a member of the National Moot Court Team and an articles and symposia editor of the *Law Review*. Received his undergraduate degree, Missouri State University, and a Master of Public Administration, the University of Missouri–Kansas City. At the time of his appointment, was an assistant U.S. Attorney for the Western District of Missouri. Judge Caine is a native of Eldon, Missouri. Following law school, he began his career as a law clerk to the Honorable J. Dale Youngs. Served as an assistant prosecuting attorney, Jackson

County Prosecutor's Office. During his tenure there Caine served as a trial team leader and was recognized as the Patrick B. Hall Trial Attorney of the Year. He received the Lon O. Hocker Award from the Missouri Bar Foundation in 2015. Appointed by Gov. Michael L. Parson, April 20, 2020. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 16—Division 12

JENNIFER M. PHILLIPS

Office address: Jackson County Courthouse Annex, 308 W. Kansas Ave., Independence 64050; phone (816) 881-3612.

County: Jackson.

Biography: Graduate of Milan C-2 High School, Milan, 1993; University of Missouri–Columbia, B.A., speech communication, 1997; University of Missouri–Columbia, J.D., 2001. Practiced at Department of Revenue General Counsel's Office, 2001–2002; assistant prosecuting attorney for Jackson County, 2002–2014. During that time, she was an assistant prosecutor in the Community Justice Unit and Major Crimes Unit. She became a trial team leader in the Street Crimes Unit and a chief trial assistant in the Violent Crimes Unit. Member of the Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association and Association of Women

Lawyers. Recipient of Lon O. Hocker Award from Missouri Bar, 2011. Appointed to the court by Gov. Jay Nixon, 2014. Retained: 2016. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 16—Division 13

CHARLES H. MCKENZIE

Office address: Jackson County Courthouse, 415 E. 12th St., Fifth Fl., Kansas City 64106; phone (816) 881-3613.

County: Jackson.

Biography: Born in Indianapolis, Indiana. Graduate of Cardinal Newman College, B.A., business administration; University of Missouri–Kansas City Law School, J.D., 1988. He is married to Jennifer McKenzie; they have four children. He served as assistant prosecuting attorney in the Jackson County prosecutor's office, 1988–1993, and was in private practice, 1993–2011. Member: Missouri Bar Association, Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association and St. Thomas More Catholic Church. Appointed circuit court judge, June 2011. Retained: 2012 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.

Circuit 16—Division 14

JOHN M. TORRENCE

Office address: Jackson County Courthouse, 415 E. 12th St., Kansas City 64106; phone: (816) 881-3614.

County: Jackson.

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Educated at University of Missouri—Columbia and St. Louis University, B.A., 1979; University of Missouri—Kansas City School of Law, J.D., 1982. Former assistant public defender, Jackson County, 1982–1988. Engaged in private practice and partner in law firm, 1988–2001. Appointed circuit judge, July 12, 2001. Presiding judge, 2017–2018. Retained: 2002, 2008, 2014 and 2020. Term expires Dec. 31, 2026. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 16—Division 15

JALILAH OTTO

Office address: Family Justice Center, 625 E. 26th St., Kansas City 64108; phone (816) 435-4711.

County: Jackson.

Biography: Born in Kansas City. Graduate of Lincoln College Preparatory Academy, Kansas City; Tulane Univ., New Orleans, La., B.A., communication and political science; Univ. of Mo.—Columbia, J.D. Served as a law clerk to the Hon. Lisa White Hardwick, Mo. Court of Appeals, 2002–05; asst. pros. atty., Jackson Co., 2005–10; and special asst. U.S. attorney, Western District of Mo., 2010–13. Simultaneously served as spec. asst. U.S. atty. and chief trial asst., Jackson Co., 2013. Recipient, Louis Lombardo Prosecutor of the Year Award. Member: Mo. Bar, Mo. Probate and Assoc. Circuit Court Judge Assoc., Jackson Co. and Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Assoc. and Assoc. of Women Lawyers. Appointed by the Missouri Supreme Court to serve on the Joint Commission on Women in the Profession, Joint Task Force on the Future of the Profession and the Racial and Ethnic Fairness Commission. Appointed associate circuit judge, Jan. 7, 2014. Retained: 2016. Appointed circuit judge, October 2017. Retained: 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 16—Division 16

MARCO A. ROLDAN

Office address: Jackson County Courthouse Annex, 308 W. Kansas Ave., Independence 64050; phone (816) 881-4416.

County: Jackson.

Biography: Born in Nuevo Laredo, Mexico. Graduate of Central Missouri State University, B.S., 1979; University of Missouri—Kansas City School of Law, J.D., 1983. Married with three children. Appointed circuit judge, Sept. 28, 1999. Retained: 2000–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 16—Division 17

CORY L. ATKINS

Office address: Jackson County Courthouse Annex, 308 W. Kansas Ave., Independence 64050; phone (816) 881-4417.

County: Jackson.

Biography: Was born and raised in Jackson Co. Attended Independence Public Schools, earned his bachelor's degree from Rockhurst Univ. and his law degree from the University of Missouri—Kansas City. Judge Atkins began his career as an asst. atty. general for the State, and later served as a law clerk to the Hon. Zel M. Fischer at the Supreme Court of Missouri. After clerking, Atkins engaged in a nationwide trial practice that focused on cases involving negligence and products liability. In addition to his trial work, he handled over 100 appeals, including cases in all three districts of the Missouri Court of Appeals, the Supreme Court of Missouri, the 8th Circuit Court of Appeals, the Kansas Court of Appeals and the 10th Circuit Court of Appeals. Judge Atkins is an Eagle Scout. Appointed as associate circuit judge, March 16, 2018, by Gov. Eric R. Greitens. Appointed Circuit Judge by Gov. Michael Parson, 2019. Term expires Dec. 31, 2026. Nonpartisan.





Circuit 16—Division 18

KEVIN D. HARRELL

Office address: Jackson County Courthouse, 415 E. 12th St., Kansas City, 64106; phone (816) 881-3618.

County: Jackson.

Biography: Born in Kansas City. Graduate of University of Missouri–Kansas City, B.A., administration of justice, 1993; J.D., 1998. Appointed by Gov. Jay Nixon, July 24, 2012. At the time of his appointment, he was the chief deputy prosecuting attorney for the Jackson County Prosecutor's Office. During his 15-year tenure, he was honored three times by his colleagues as Victim Champion of the Year in 2001 and 2003, and as Trial Attorney of the Year in 2005. Term expires Dec. 31, 2026. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 16—Division 19

MARK A. STYLES JR.

Office address: Jackson County Courthouse, 415 E. 12th St., Kansas City 64106; phone (816) 881-3759.

County: Jackson.

Biography: Received a J.D., the Thurgood Marshall School of Law at Texas Southern Univ., Houston, Texas, 2004; B.S. in Finance, Univ. of Missouri–Columbia, 2001. First appointed to the bench as deputy probate commissioner, Oct. 3, 2014, by Circuit Judge Kathleen A. Forsyth of the Probate Division. At the time of his appointment, Commissioner Styles was a senior associate attorney with the Hardwick Law Firm. His practice included handling decedents' and guardianship and conservatorship estates. Appointed by the Court to serve as counsel for respondents and other parties to matters pending before the Court. His background includes working for the Public Administrator's Office of Jackson County

where he handled conservatorship and decedent estates dealing with complex real property, probate, Medicare/Medicaid compliance and constitutional and contractual issues. Appointed circuit judge, July 26, 2016, by Gov. Jay Nixon. Retained: 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024.



Circuit 17—Division 1

WILLIAM B. COLLINS

Office address: Cass County Justice Center, 2501 W. Mechanic St., Harrisonville 64701; phone (816) 380-8181.

Counties: Cass and Johnson.

Biography: Presiding judge. Born in Kansas City. Graduate of Rockhurst University, 1979, B.S., B.A., accounting; University of Missouri–Kansas City Law School, J.D., 1982. Resides in Harrisonville. Member of the Missouri Association of Probate and Associate Circuit Judges; Missouri Municipal and Associate Circuit Judges Association and The Missouri Bar. Elected associate circuit judge, 1994. Retained: 1998–2010. Elected circuit judge, Nov. 6, 2012. Retained: 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Republican.



Circuit 17—Division 2

R. MICHAEL WAGNER

Office address: Cass County Justice Center, 2501 W. Mechanic St., Harrisonville 64701; phone (660) 380-8175.

Counties: Cass and Johnson.

Biography: Graduate of Rockhurst University, B.A., 1986; University of Missouri–Kansas City School of Law, J.D., 1990. Married Aug. 7, 1998, to his wife Melody. Engaged in private law practice, 1990–2008. Raymore and Garden City municipal judge, 2006–2008. Board of directors of Casco. Member of Bel-Ray Lions Club and National Rifle Association. Attends Holy Spirit Catholic Church. Elected circuit judge, 2008. Retained: 2016. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.

Circuit 18

ROBERT L. KOFFMAN

Office address: Pettis County Courthouse, 415 S. Ohio, Sedalia 65301; phone (660) 826-5000, ext. 465.

Counties: Cooper and Pettis.

Biography: Presiding judge. Born in Maryville. Educated at Moberly public schools. Graduate of Central Missouri State University, B.S., 1977; St. Mary's University, San Antonio, Texas, J.D., 1980. Married Doris Fry, 1981. Two children, John and Kathryn. Associate circuit judge, Pettis County, 1981–2005. Member: Wesley United Methodist Church; Missouri and Pettis County Bar associations; Sedalia School Foundation; AF & AM Lodge No. 272; Legislative Steering Committee and Executive Council, Missouri Judicial Conference; Sedalia Jaycees, past vice president; Circuit Court Budget Committee member; Missouri Association of Probate and Associate Circuit Judges, past president; Sedalia Symphony Society; Central Missouri State University Alumni Band and Sedalia Rotary Club. Appointed circuit judge, 2005. Elected 2006. Retained: 2012 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Republican.



Circuit 19—Division 1

JON E. BEETEM

Office address: Cole County Courthouse, PO Box 1870, Jefferson City 65102-1870; phone (573) 634-9192.

County: Cole.

Biography: Presiding judge. Graduate of University of Kentucky, B.S., pharmacy; University of Missouri–Columbia School of Law, J.D. He is married and has two children. Engaged in the private practice of law, 1992–2006. Member: Missouri Bar and Cole County Bar associations, past president. Elected circuit judge, 2006. Retained: 2012 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Republican.



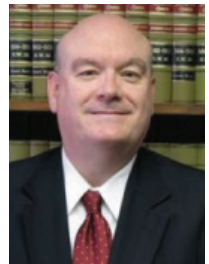
Circuit 19—Division 2

DANIEL R. GREEN

Office address: Cole County Courthouse, PO Box 1870, Jefferson City 65101; phone (573) 634-9190.

County: Cole.

Biography: Graduate of Trevecca Nazarene University, B.A., history; Vanderbilt University, M.A. candidate, religion; University of Missouri School of Law, J.D. Married to Samantha Green, with four children. Private practice of law, 1990–2010. Jefferson City prosecuting attorney, 1997–2010. Elected circuit judge, 2010. Retained: 2014. Term expires Dec. 31, 2026. Republican.



Circuit 19—Division 3

COTTON WALKER

Office address: Cole County Courthouse, PO Box 1870, Jefferson City 65102; phone (573) 634-9178.

County: Cole.

Biography: Graduate of Indiana Univ., B.A. Double Major—Political Science & History; Univ. of Mo.—Columbia School of Law, J.D. 1991. Married with two children. Private law practice, 1991–2018. Jefferson City municipal prosecutor, 1995–97. Municipal judge, 1994–2018, serving Russellville, Lohman and Jefferson City. Former president, Missouri Municipal & Associate Circuit Judges Association. Appointments by Missouri Supreme Court/OSCA: E-Filing Rules Committee, Case Management Oversight Team, Change Control Subcommittee (chair), Trial Judge Focus Group, Municipal Judge Education Committee and the Price of Justice Work Group, in cooperation with the United States Department of Justice. Member: First United Methodist Church, Jefferson City Public School Foundation, Habitat for Humanity, Samaritan Center, Project Homeless Connect and coaching basketball. Presides over the 19th Judicial Circuit Treatment Courts. Elected associate circuit judge, 2018. Elected circuit judge, 2020. Term expires Dec. 31, 2026.





Circuit 20—Division 2

I.I. LAMKE

Office address: Franklin County Judicial Center, 401 E. Main St., Rm. 100B, Union 63084; phone (636) 583-7329.

Counties: Franklin, Gasconade and Osage.

Biography: Presiding judge. Born in Washington. Graduate of St. Louis University, B.A., 1974; Washington University School of Law, J.D., 1977. Married Susan J. Schweitzer, Nov. 27, 1983. In private practice in Union and Washington, 1977–2010. Elected circuit judge, 2010. Retained: 2016. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 20—Division 1

CRAIG E. HELLMANN

Office address: Franklin County Judicial Center, 401 E. Main St., Rm. 100C, Union 63084; phone (636) 583-6306.

Counties: Franklin, Gasconade and Osage.

Biography: Born in Washington, Missouri. Graduate of Washington High School, 1982; University of Missouri–Columbia, 1986; Washington University, St. Louis, J.D., 1989. In private practice, 1989–December 2017. Served as municipal court judge for Washington, Missouri, April 1990–December 2017; Franklin County, municipal judge, December 2016–December 2017. Appointed circuit judge, Nov. 28, 2017. Retained: 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Republican.



Circuit 21—Division 1

BRIAN H. MAY

Office address: St. Louis County Court Bldg., 105 Central Ave., Clayton 63105; phone (314) 615-1501.

County: St. Louis.

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Graduate of Harris–Stowe State College, B.S. in education, *summa cum laude*, 1986; Saint Louis University School of Law, J.D., 1989. Married with three children. Engaged in private practice, 1989–2010. Served in the Missouri General Assembly, 1993–2001; Chair of the House Judiciary Committee, 1997–2001. Deputy director, Missouri Department of Labor, 2010–2011. Acting director, Division of Workers' Compensation, 2010–2011. Regional director, Eastern Region, Office of Gov. Jay Nixon, 2011–2016. Member: Catholic Church and Missouri Bar. Appointed circuit judge, October 2016. Retained: 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 21—Division 2

RICHARD M. STEWART

Office address: St. Louis County Court Bldg., 105 S. Central Ave., Clayton 63105; phone: (314) 615-1502.

County: St. Louis.

Biography: Born in St. Louis County. Graduate of University of Missouri–Columbia, B.S., business administration; St. Louis University School of Law, J.D., *cum laude*. Married with four children. Engaged in private practice, 1994–2016. Member: Catholic Church, Missouri Bar, Illinois Bar, American Bar Association, Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis and St. Louis County Bar Association. Appointed associate circuit judge, 2016. Appointed associate circuit judge, May 2019. Retained: 2020. Term expires Dec. 31, 2026. Nonpartisan.

Circuit 21—Division 3

SANDRA FARRAGUT-HEMPHILL

Office address: St. Louis County Court Bldg., 105 S. Central Ave., Clayton 63105; phone (314) 615-1503.

County: St. Louis.

Biography: Born in Tampa, Florida. Graduate of Spelman College in Atlanta, Ga., B.S., political science, *cum laude*; University of Florida School of Law, J.D. Served as associate at Bell, Harris Kirksey and Thomas; staff attorney at Legal Services of Eastern Missouri; assistant county counselor for St. Louis County and engaged in private practice until appointment to the bench in March 1991. Member: Missouri Bar, Mound City Bar Association, Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis, Women Lawyers Association, National Bar Association, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. and The Links, Inc. Faculty member of the Trial Judges Education Committee since 2007. Served as associate circuit judge, 1991–2015. Appointed circuit judge, November 2015, by Gov. Jeremiah (Jay) Nixon. Retained: 2016. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 21—Division 4

JOSEPH S. DUEKER

Office address: St. Louis County Court Bldg., 105 S. Central Ave., Clayton 63105; phone (314) 615-1504.

County: St. Louis.

Biography: Born in St. Louis County. Graduate of University of Richmond, B.A., *cum laude*, 1989; St. Louis University School of Law, J.D., 1992. Married with two children. Engaged in private practice, 1992–1993. Served as assistant prosecuting attorney, St. Louis County, 1993–2010; associate chief trial attorney, St. Louis County, 2008–2010. Member: Catholic Church; Missouri Bar; St. Louis County Bar Association and Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis. Appointed associate circuit judge, August 2010. Retained: 2012 and 2018. Appointed circuit judge, May 2016. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 21—Division 5

RENÉE HARDIN-TAMMONS

Office address: St. Louis County Court Bldg., 105 S. Central Ave., Clayton 63105; phone (314) 615-1505.

County: St. Louis.

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Graduate of University of Missouri–St. Louis, B.S. administration of justice, 1986; University of Missouri–Columbia School of Law, J.D., 1989. Married in 1992 and has one child. Served as assistant public defender and assistant county counselor. Served as municipal judge for City of Berkeley and St. Louis County Municipal Court. Served as assistant adjunct professor, University of Missouri–St. Louis. Member: Supreme Court Committee on Practice and Procedure in Municipal Division Cases; Missouri Municipal and Associate Circuit Judges Association; St. Louis County Municipal Court Steering Committee; Gospel Symphonic Choir; Kansas City Barbeque Society; Grace Church. Appointed associate circuit judge, 2017. Retained: 2018. Appointed circuit judge, 2019. Term expires Dec. 31, 2026. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 21—Division 6

JOHN N. BORBONUS

Office address: St. Louis County Court Bldg., 105 S. Central Ave., Clayton 63105; phone (314) 615-1506.

County: St. Louis.

Biography: Graduate of George Mason University, B.A. government and politics, 1988; St. Louis University School of Law, J.D., 1994. Principal with law firm of King, Krehbiel, Hellmich & Borbonus, L.L.C.; served for several years as assistant attorney general, State of Missouri. Appointed in 2003 by Gov. Bob Holden to serve as board member on the Missouri Humanities Council until 2010. In 2005, appointed as commissioner Board of Planning and Zoning for the City of Des Peres, until judicial appointment. Appointed commissioner on the Missouri Senate Apportionment Commission in 2011. Member: Leadership St. Louis, 2008–2009. Appointed associate circuit judge by Gov. Jeremiah (Jay) Nixon, 2011. Retained: 2012 and 2016. Appointed circuit judge by Gov. Michael L. Parson, 2018. Retained: 2026. Nonpartisan.





Circuit 21—Division 7

MARY E. OTT

Office address: St. Louis County Court Bldg., 105 S. Central Ave., Clayton 63105; phone (314) 615-1507.

County: St. Louis.

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Graduate of St. Mary's College, B.A., 1982; St. Louis University School of Law, J.D., 1985. Appointed associate circuit judge, May 30, 2008. Retained: 2010 and 2014. Appointed circuit judge, February 2018. Retained: 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 21—Division 8

DEAN P. WALDEMER

Office address: St. Louis County Court Bldg., 105 S. Central Ave., Clayton 63105; phone (314) 615-1508.

County: St. Louis.

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Graduate of St. Louis University Business School, 1980; St. Louis University School of Law, 1983. Law clerk for the Hon. Joseph G. Stewart, Missouri Court of Appeals, Eastern District. Served as assistant prosecuting attorney, St. Louis County, 1984–1990; chief trial attorney, 1991–2017. Member: Episcopal Church. Appointed circuit judge, June 2017. Retained: 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 21—Division 9

DAVID L. VINCENT III

Office address: St. Louis County Court Bldg., 105 S. Central Ave., Clayton 63105 ; phone (314) 615-1509.

County: St. Louis.

Biography: Born in Dayton, Ohio. Educated at Tennessee State University–Nashville (B.S.E.E.), and University of Wisconsin–Madison Law School (J.D.). Married with two children. Assistant circuit attorney, 1988–1993, homicide unit and felony staff supervisor. Actively practiced law until appointment to the bench. St. Louis Internship Program. High school mock trial coach–BAMSL, Normandy High School Advisory Committee, 2008. Member: Catholic Church; Missouri Bar; Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis and Mound City Bar Association. Missouri Bar Board of Governors, 2008–2010. Appointed to Supreme Court Board of Certified Court Reporter Examiners. Previous appointments: Supreme Court Judicial Finance Commission, Supreme Court special judge, 2005. Appointed circuit judge, Nov. 14, 1997. Retained: 2000–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 21—Division 10

JASON D. DODSON

Office address: St. Louis County Court Bldg., 105 S. Central Ave., St. Louis 63105; phone (314) 615-1510.

County: St. Louis.

Biography: Born in Boston, Massachusetts. Graduate of Bates College, B.A., with honors in philosophy, 1992; Washington University School of Law, J.D., 1996. Father of four children. Engaged in private law practice, 1996–2006. Legal Services of Eastern Missouri, 2006–2016, managing attorney of the Lasting Solution program, 2008–2016. Member: Catholic Church; Missouri Bar; St. Louis County Bar Association and Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis. Appointed associate circuit judge, 2016. Retained: 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Nonpartisan.

Circuit 21—Division 11

ELLEN SUE LEVY

Office address: St. Louis County Court Bldg., 105 S. Central Ave., Clayton 63105; phone (314) 615-1511.

County: St. Louis.

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Graduate of Washington Univ., A.B., 1985; J.D., 1988. Prior to appointment to the bench, actively practiced law as a litigation partner at Rosenblum, Goldenhersh, Silverstein & Zafft. Member: Mo. and Metro. St. Louis Bar Assoc.; St. Louis County Bar Assoc., pres., 2005; Mo. Assoc. of Probate & Associate Circuit Judges, pres., 2006–07; Mo. Circuit Judges Assoc., vice pres., 2016–17; Mo. Circuit Judges Assoc., pres. 2017–18; Natl. Assoc. of Women Judges, board of dir., 2006–08, 2014–16, Mound City Bar Assoc. & Women's Lawyer's Bar Assoc. Serves on the Mo. Supreme Court Judicial Education & Civic Education Committees. Elected a Fellow in the Advanced Science & Tech. Adjudication Resource Center (ASTAR), Washington, DC, 2013. Faculty/Presenter for Judicial College & New Judge Orientation program. Appointed Family Court commissioner, June 9, 1999. Appointed associate circuit judge, May 22, 2002. Retained: 2004. Appointed circuit judge, Jan. 24, 2008. Retained: 2010 and 2016. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 21—Division 12

STANLEY J. WALLACH

Office address: St. Louis County Courts Bldg., 105 S. Central Ave., Clayton 63105; phone (314) 615-1512.

County: St. Louis.

Biography: Born in Columbia, Missouri. Graduate of Duke University B.A., *cum laude*, 1987; University of Chicago Law, J.D., 1992. Married with two children. Engaged in private practice, 1992–2016. Member: Episcopal Church, Missouri Bar, St. Louis County Bar Association, The Lawyers Association of St. Louis, The Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis and the State Bar of California. Appointed circuit judge, November 2016. Retained: 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 21—Division 13

BRUCE F. HILTON

Office address: St. Louis County Court Bldg., 105 S. Central Ave., Clayton 63105; phone (314) 615-1513.

County: St. Louis.

Biography: Born in Detroit, Michigan. Graduate, St. Louis Univ., B.A., history, 1980; St. Louis Univ. School of Law, J.D., 1986. Married with four children. Engaged in private practice: Leritz, Reinert & Duree P.S., 1984–89; Charles P. Todt & Assoc., 1989–91; Eisen, Gillespie, Brown & Hilton, L.L.C., 1991–95; Hilton, Gillespie & Kiesewetter, L.L.C., 1995–2001; Hilton & Kiesewetter, L.L.C., 2001–05; Hilton & Harford, L.L.C., 2005–11; Hilton Family Law Group, L.L.C., 2011–17. Board member: Meacham Park Neighborhood Improvement Assoc., Kirkwood Library. Member: St. Peters Catholic Church; Mo. Bar; Bar Assoc. of Metropolitan St. Louis; St. Louis Co. Bar Assoc. (past pres.); Lawyers Assoc.; Mound City Bar Assoc.; chair, 21st Judicial Circuit Judicial Evaluation Committee, 2008–13. Recipient of Good Citizens Award from Grand Jurors Assoc., 1992. Appointed circuit judge, June 2017. Retained: 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 21—Division 14

KRISTINE ALLEN KERR

Office address: St. Louis County Court Bldg., 105 S. Central Ave., Clayton 63105; phone (314) 615-1514.

County: St. Louis.

Biography: Born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Education: Brown Univ., B.A. (economics); Boston University, J.D.. Appointed Family Court Commissioner, 2004 and 2008. Appointed circuit judge, 2012. Retained: 2014 and 2020. Term expires Dec. 31, 2026. Nonpartisan.





Circuit 21—Division 15

WILLIAM M. CORRIGAN JR.

Office address: St. Louis County Court Bldg., 105 S. Central Ave., Clayton 63105; phone (314) 615-1515.

County: St. Louis.

Biography: Not available. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 21—Division 16

VACANCY

Office address: St. Louis County Court Bldg., 105 S. Central Ave., Clayton 63105; phone (314) 615-1516.

County: St. Louis.



Circuit 21—Division 17

JOSEPH L. WALSH III

Office address: St. Louis County Court Bldg., 105 S. Central Ave., Clayton 63105; phone (314) 615-1517.

County: St. Louis.

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Graduate of Loras College, Dubuque, Iowa, B.S., *cum laude*, 1977; St. Mary's University School of Law, San Antonio, Texas, J.D., 1984; senior associate editor of *Law Review and Order of Barristers*. Married with five children. Private practice, 1984–2010, handling general civil trials and appeals. Served as municipal judge in the City of Creve Coeur, 2003–2010, and the City of Frontenac, 2000–2001. Member: Our Lady of the Pillar Catholic Church; Missouri Bar; Texas Bar; American Board of Trial Advocates and St. Louis Lawyer's Association. Lectured in the areas of civil trial practice and insurance law. Co-authored *MOBar CLE Tort Law Handbook*, Second Edition, Chap. 1, Intro and Overview; authored *Demonstrative Evidence*, St. Louis Lawyer, November 1992. Appointed circuit judge, May 14, 2010, by Gov. Jeremiah (Jay) Nixon. Retained: 2012 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 21—Division 18

ELLEN (Nellie) HANNIGAN RIBAUDO

Office address: St. Louis County Court Bldg., 105 S. Central Ave., Clayton 63105; phone (314) 615-1518.

County: St. Louis.

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Graduate of the University of Dayton, B.A., 1993; St. Louis University School of Law, J.D., 1996. Appointed associate circuit judge, July 2009. Retained: 2010 and 2014. Appointed circuit judge, Nov. 5, 2015. Retained: 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.

Circuit 21—Division 19

THOMAS C. ALBUS

Office address: St. Louis County Court Bldg., 105 S. Central Ave., Clayton 63105; phone (314) 615-1519.

County: St. Louis.

Biography: Born in St. Louis County. Graduate of Georgetown University, A.B., 1994 and University of Missouri–Columbia School of Law, J.D., 1997. Law clerk to the late Lawrence G. Crahan, Missouri Court of Appeals and John C. Holstein, Missouri Supreme Court. In private practice in St. Louis, 1999–2002. Assistant United States attorney, E.D. Missouri, 2002–2019, first assistant attorney general of Missouri, 2019–2020. Member, Mary Queen of Peace Catholic Church, Missouri Bar, Federal Bar Association, St. Louis County Bar Association, Lawyers Association of St. Louis, Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis. Adjunct Professor, Washington University School of Law and University of Missouri–Columbia School of Law. Married the former Alicia Carpenter, May 20, 2000. They reside in St. Louis County with their four children. Appointed circuit judge by Governor Michael Parson, April 24, 2020. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 21—Division 20

MARGARET DONNELLY

Office address: St. Louis County Court Bldg., 105 S. Central Ave., Clayton 63105; phone (314) 615-1520.

County: St. Louis.

Biography: Born in Alton, Illinois; Graduate: St. Louis University, B.S., M.S.W.; St. Louis University School of Law, J.D., *cum laude*, 1988. Married, with two children. Engaged in private practice, 1988–2009; Missouri State Representative, District 73, 2003–2009; director, Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, 2009–2012. Member: Missouri Bar; St. Louis County Bar Association; Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis; Women Lawyers' Association and Mound City Bar Association. Awards: Missouri Judicial Conference; Legal Services of Eastern Missouri; Women's Justice Citizenship Award; St. Louis Children's Hospital Advocate of the Year; Paraquad Disability Rights Legislative Leadership Award; Women Lawyers Association President's Award. Appointed Family Court Commissioner, December 2013. Appointed circuit judge, August 2016. Retained: 2018. Term expires Dec. 2024. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 21—Division 21

NANCY WATKINS McLAUGHLIN

Office address: St. Louis County Court Bldg., 105 S. Central Ave., Clayton 63105; phone (314) 615-1521.

County: St. Louis.

Biography: Lifelong resident of St. Louis County. B.A., Washington University, J.D. University of Missouri–Columbia. Served as law clerk to the Hon. David J. Dixon, Missouri Court of Appeals. Engaged in private practice prior to appointment to the bench. Appointed associate circuit judge by Gov. Jeremiah (Jay) Nixon, 2014. Appointed circuit judge, 2016. Retained: 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 22—Division 1

MICHAEL F. STELZER

Office address: Civil Courts Bldg., 10 N. Tucker St., St. Louis 63101; phone (314) 622-4809.

City of St. Louis.

Biography: Presiding judge. Born in St. Louis. Graduate of Augustana College, Rock Island, Illinois, 1986; St. Louis University School of Law, J.D., *cum laude*, 1992. Clerked for the Hon. Carl R. Gaertner, Missouri Court of Appeals Eastern District. Assistant and associate city counselor, City of St. Louis, 1993–2004. General counsel to the Board of Police Commissioners, St. Louis City. Appointed to the associate circuit bench, January 2004, by Gov. Bob Holden. Elected: 2006 and 2010. Appointed circuit judge, 2012. Retained: 2014 and 2020. Term expires Dec. 31, 2026.





Circuit 22—Division 2

DAVID L. DOWD

Office address: Civil Courts Bldg., 10 N. Tucker St., St. Louis 63101; phone (314) 622-4372.
City of St. Louis.

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Graduate of Quincy College, B.A.; St. Mary's University, J.D. Engaged in private law practice with Dowd and Dowd, P.C., 1983–1984; assistant county counselor, 1984–1988; administrative law judge, 1988–1993; and chief administrative law judge, 1993–2000. Member: St. Raphael's Catholic Church. Commissioner of the Judge Dowd Soccer League. Appointed circuit judge, Dec. 13, 2000, by Gov. Roger B. Wilson. Presiding judge, 2009–2010. Retained: 2002–2014. Term expires Dec. 31, 2026. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 22—Division 3

ELIZABETH B. HOGAN

Office address: Civil Courts Bldg., 10 N. Tucker St., St. Louis 63101; phone (314) 622-5604.
City of St. Louis.

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Graduate of the Academy of the Visitation, 1986; DePauw University, B.A., political science, 1990; Thomas M. Cooley Law School, J.D. Employed as assistant prosecuting attorney in Jefferson County; assistant circuit attorney in City of St. Louis; in private practice; and as an attorney supervisor at St. Louis City CASA, 1996–2005. Member: Missouri Bar Association, Women Lawyers Association, St. Louis Lawyer's Association and St. Roch Catholic Church. Appointed associate circuit judge, April 2005, by Gov. Matt Blunt. Retained: 2006 and 2010. Appointed circuit judge, November 2012 by Gov. Jeremiah (Jay) Nixon. Retained: 2014. Term expires 2026. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 22—Division 4

KATHERINE FOWLER

Office address: Civil Courts Bldg., 10 N. Tucker St., St. Louis 63101; phone (314) 622-4332.
City of St. Louis.

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Graduate of University of Dayton, BA; St. Louis University School of Law, J.D. She is married with four children. Judge Fowler was an officer with Greensfelder, Hemker & Gale, P.C. until her appointment. She also served as founder and director of the Sister Jackie Toben Legal Clinic for Let's Start, a non-profit organization that aims to break the cycle of incarceration by working with formerly incarcerated women and their children. Appointed circuit judge, October 2017. Term expires Dec. 31, 2026. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 22—Division 5

CALEA STOVALL-REID

Office address: Civil Courts Bldg., 10 N. Tucker St., St. Louis 63101; phone (314) 622-4422.
City of St. Louis.

Biography: Born in Springfield, Massachusetts. Married and has two adult children. Graduate Howard University, B.A., 1982. Washington University School of Law, J.D., 1990. Corporate counsel to the St. Louis Housing Authority, 1997–2003; law firm of Peoples and Hale, 1995–1997; assistant circuit attorney, City of St. Louis Circuit Attorneys Office, 1993–1995; assistant public defender, Missouri Public Defender's Office (St. Louis City) 1991–1993. Served as a volunteer judge for Truancy Court for the St. Louis City Public Schools and has been an adjunct instructor part-time at St. Louis Community College. Membership/associations: St. John AME Church; *emeritus* member, South City YMCA Volunteer Advisory Board and Board of Trustees—Crossroads College Preparatory School. Appointed associate circuit judge, March 2003. Retained: 2004–2016. Appointed circuit judge, April 2019. Term expires Dec. 31, 2026. Nonpartisan.

Circuit 22—Division 6

MADELINE O. CONNOLLY

Office address: Civil Courts Bldg., 10 N. Tucker Blvd., St. Louis 63101; phone (314) 622-4442.

City of St. Louis.

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Married to Brian Connolly with one child. Graduate of St. Louis University School of Law, JD, 2009; Valparaiso University, BS in Business Administration, 2006. Engaged in private practice with Hepler Broom, LLC, 2010–2012 and Tucker Ellis, LLP, 2017–2018. Assistant Circuit Attorney (2012–2017). Professional Memberships include: The Missouri Bar, Illinois Bar, Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis, Women Lawyers' Association, Bethel Lutheran Church. Appointed associate circuit judge, Feb. 9, 2018. Appointed circuit judge, June 7, 2019. Term expires Dec. 31, 2026. Nonpartisan.



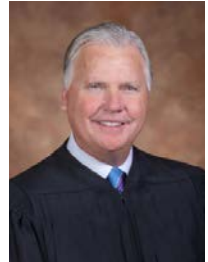
Circuit 22—Division 7

JOHN T. BIRD

Office address: Civil Courts Bldg., 10 N. Tucker Blvd., St. Louis 63101; phone (314) 622-3120.

City of St. Louis.

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Graduate of University of Missouri–Columbia, B.S.; and University of Missouri–Columbia, J.D.. Engaged in private practice, 1990–1994; assistant circuit attorney, City of St. Louis, 1994–2012; assistant united states attorney, United States Attorneys' Office, Eastern District of Missouri, 2012–2021. Member: The Missouri Bar, Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis, St. Gabriel the Archangel Catholic Church. Appointed circuit judge, May 2021. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 22—Division 8

TIMOTHY J. BOYER

Office address: Civil Courts Bldg., 10 N. Tucker Blvd., St. Louis 63101; phone (314) 622-4292.

City of St. Louis.

Biography: Graduate of St. Louis University School of Law, J.D., 2003. Bradley University, B.S., 1999. Married to Jamie Boyer. Engaged in private practice, 2003–2007; assistant circuit attorney, City of St. Louis, 2007–2016, serving as the unit leader for the White Collar Crime/Fraud Unit, 2014–2016. Professional memberships include: The Missouri Bar Association; Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis; Lawyers Association of St. Louis. Appointed associate circuit judge, August 2016. Appointed circuit judge, November 2017. Term expires Dec. 31, 2026. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 22—Division 9

SCOTT A. MILLIKAN

Office address: Civil Courts Bldg., 10 N. Tucker Blvd., St. Louis 63101; phone (314) 622-3258.

City of St. Louis.

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Graduate of Webster University, B.S.; Saint Louis University School of Law, J.D. Married, Elizabeth Rooney-Millikan, has three children: Chloe, Jack and Isabelle. Assistant prosecuting attorney, St. Louis County; private practice; provisional municipal judge, City of St. Louis; court administrator, City of St. Louis. Member: Missouri Bar Association, St. Gabriel the Archangel Catholic Church, CYC coach, Community volunteer. Appointed associate circuit judge, July 2017. Appointed circuit judge, March 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2026. Nonpartisan.

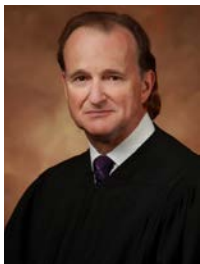




Circuit 22—Division 10

REX M. BURLISON**Office address:** Civil Courts Bldg., 10 N. Tucker St., St. Louis 63101; Phone: (314) 622-4819.**City of St. Louis.**

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Graduate: Northeast Mo. State Univ. (now Truman State Univ.), B.A. Political Science/Law Enforcement, *cum laude*, 1976 and St. Louis Univ. School of Law, J.D., 1980. Engaged in private practice, 1980–April 2000. Recipient, Mo. Chief Justice's Circuit Judge Judicial Excellence Award, 2018. Presiding judge, 2019–2020. Member: Historic Trinity Lutheran Church; Mo. Bar Assoc.; Bar Associations of St. Louis; Lawyer Assoc. of St. Louis; Mo. Presiding Judges' Exec. Comm. Board Certified Civil Trial Advocate, Natl. Bd. of Trial Advocacy (1998). Five-term alderman, City of Cottleville. Frequent speaker/contributor to continuing education programs for Mo. and national legal organizations. Appointed: Disciplinary hearings officer, by Mo. Supreme Court; 11th Judicial Circuit Bar Disciplinary Comm.; chief counsel, Eastern Region, Office of Attorney General Nixon, January 2001–March 2009; director, Eastern Region, Office of Gov. Nixon, March 2009–August 2011; assoc. circuit judge, 11th Circuit, by Gov. Carnahan, 2000; circuit judge, by Gov. Nixon, Aug. 9, 2011. Retained 2012 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 22—Division 11

BRYAN L. HETTENBACH**Office address:** Civil Courts Bldg., 10 N. Tucker Blvd., St. Louis 63101; phone (314) 622-4381.**City of St. Louis.**

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Graduate: Univ. of Mo.–Columbia, B.A.; Univ. of Michigan, M.A. and Univ. of Mo.–Columbia School of Law, J.D. Presided over hundreds of circuit court trials. Handles a docket of criminal and civil jury trials. Has handled dockets of equity non-jury trials and motions and of probate cases. During two-year stint as circuit felony docket controller the criminal case backlog was reduced to its lowest level in twenty years. Work history: staff attorney, Mo. Supreme Court; lawyer; news editor and adjunct professor. Certified as a civil law/family court mediator, was a contributor to continuing legal education programs. Did recurring service as a guardian ad litem representing children in family and juvenile court cases, including several years as a contract attorney for the juvenile court. Member: Missouri Bar; Bar Assoc. of Metropolitan St. Louis; Lawyers Assoc. of St. Louis. Astd. presiding judge, 2013–2014. Presiding judge, 2015–2016. Appointed circuit judge, April 2, 2008. Retained: 2010 and 2016. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 22—Division 12

MICHAEL K. MULLEN**Office address:** Civil Courts Bldg., 10 N. Tucker Blvd., St. Louis 63101; phone (314) 622-3583.**City of St. Louis.**

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Graduate of University of Missouri–Columbia, A.B.; University of Missouri–Columbia, J.D. Married Joan Heilweck. They have four children: Mary Katherine, Mark, James and Phillip. Law clerk to James A. Pudlowski, Court of Appeals Eastern District, 1989–1990; assistant circuit attorney, City of St. Louis, 1990–1995; associate, Charles M. Shaw Law Firm, 1995–1996; Partner, Mullen and Fernandez, 1996–2000 and solo practitioner, 2000–2001. Member: St. Gabriel Catholic Church; Bar Association of Missouri, St. Louis and Lawyers Association. Appointed associate circuit judge, May 2001. Retained: 2002 and 2006. Appointed circuit judge, July 2008. Retained: 2010 and 2016. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 22—Division 13

THERESA COUNTS BURKE**Office address:** Civil Courts Bldg., 10 N. Tucker Blvd., St. Louis 63101; phone (314) 613-7187.**City of St. Louis.**

Biography: Born in Granite City, Illinois. Graduate of Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, Illinois, B.A., political science, 1985; St. Louis University School of Law, J.D., 1988. Engaged in private practice for 20 years; provisional judge for the Municipal Court of St. Louis City, 2001–2008; and adjunct professor for Fontbonne University OPTIONS program, 2007–2012. Member: Missouri Supreme Court Committee on Access to Family Courts, chair; Missouri Supreme Court Civic Education Committee; Combatting Human Trafficking and Domestic Violence Commission; Mound City Bar Association and Women Lawyers' Association of Greater St. Louis. Appointed associate circuit judge, 2008. Retained: 2010 and 2014. Appointed circuit judge, July 2017. Retained: 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.

Circuit 22—Division 14

JOSEPH P. WHYTE**Office address:** Civil Courts Bldg., 10 N. Tucker St., St. Louis 63101; phone (314) 622-4729.**City of St. Louis.**

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Graduate of St. Louis University High School, 1980; University of Missouri–Columbia, B.S., business administration, 1984; Saint Louis University School of Law, J.D., 1990. Attended Mizzou on the Evans Scholarship for caddies, sponsored by the Western Golf Association. Member: Moot Court Board, Missouri Bar Association (Lawyers’ Assistance Committee and MOLAP Volunteer Roster), Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church and Patriot Guard Riders. Recipient of Thomas White Family Foundation Fellowship in Public Law and Government, in law school. Married to Cheryl Dames, Aug. 6, 1988; four children. Worked as a deckhand aboard tow boats and in sales prior to attending law school. Assistant attorney general, State of Missouri, 1990–1992. Private law practice, 1992–2018. Appointed circuit judge, May 2018 by Gov. Eric Greitens. Retained: 2020. Term expires Dec. 31, 2026. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 22—Division 15

ANNETTE LLEWELLYN**Office address:** Civil Courts Bldg., 10 N. Tucker St., St. Louis 63101; phone (314) 622-4234.**City of St. Louis.**

Biography: Graduate of University of Iowa College of Law, J.D., May 16, 1997; City University of New York, Lehman College, B.S. St. Louis City public defender, 1998–2017. Assistant circuit attorney for St. Louis City, 2017–2018. Professional memberships include: New York Bar; Mound City Bar Association; Women Lawyer’s Association; Lawyers’ Association of St. Louis; BAMSLS. Appointed circuit judge, Jan. 12, 2018, by Gov. Eric Greitens. Retained: 2020. Term expires Dec. 31, 2026. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 22—Division 17

DAVID C. MASON**Office address:** Carnahan Courthouse, 1114 Market St., St. Louis 63101; phone (314) 622-4841 or (314) 622-4861.**City of St. Louis.**

Biography: Born in Nashville, Tennessee. Graduate, Austin Peay State Univ., B.S., 1980. Washington Univ., J.D., 1983. Married Tania Allen, they have two children, William R. & Harrison M.. Asst. AG; gen. counsel, Corrections; adjunct prof. of law. Founder: St. Louis Freedom Suits Memorial. Member: American Law Inst., elected; visiting faculty–Intensive Trial Advocacy Prog., affordable housing comm.; catholic church; Natl. Inst. for Trial Advocacy; bd. of dir., Regional Housing & Comm. Dev. Alliance & St. Patrick Center. Honorary member: American Bd. of trial Advocates & Order of the Coif. Awards: Lifetime Achievement for Excellence in Teaching Advocacy, 2019; “Outstanding Young Alumnus”, Washington Univ. & Austin Peay State Univ.; Habitat for Humanity “Homecoming Award”, civic work. Recognized, *Missouri Lawyer’s Weekly*, “The Best Circuit Judge–Eastern Dist. of Mo.”; received second place honors, “Best Circuit Judge in State”. Coach, Washington Univ. trial competition program. Frequent CLE lecturer, Trial Advocacy locally/nationally. Appointed circuit judge, August 1991. Retained: 1992–2016. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 22—Division 18

JASON M. SENGHEISER**Office address:** Carnahan Courthouse, 1114 Market St., St. Louis 63101; phone (314) 622-3706.**City of St. Louis.**

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Graduate of Saint Louis University, B.A. 2000; Saint Louis University School of Law, J.D., 2003; Columbia Law School, LL.M. Law Clerk for the Honorable Gary M. Gaertner Sr. and Robert G. Dowd Jr., Missouri Court of Appeals. Member: American Bar Association; The Missouri Bar; The Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis and The Lawyers Association. Appointed associate circuit judge, January 2016. Appointed circuit judge, September 2017. Retained: 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.





Circuit 22—Division 19

CHRISTOPHER E. McGRAUGH

Office address: Carnahan Courthouse, 1114 Market St., St. Louis, 63101; phone (314) 622-4462.

City of St. Louis.

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Graduate of DeSmet Jesuit High School, 1979; St. Louis University, B.A., history, 1983; St. Louis University School of Law, J.D., 1987. Married to Susan Woods; two children. Admitted to Missouri Bar Association, 1987. Assistant public defender, St. Louis County Trial Division, 1987–1990, Lead Counsel for Capital Litigation Unit, Missouri Public Defender Office the Eastern District, 1990–1992. From 1992 to appointment, principal in the law firm of Leritz, Plunkert and Bruning, P.C. Adjunct Professor of Law at St. Louis University School of Law and Washington University School of Law. Member of Missouri Bar Association, Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis and St. Louis Lawyer Association. Appointed associate circuit judge by Gov. Jeremiah (Jay) Nixon, November 2012. Retained: 2014. Appointed circuit court judge, April 2015. Retained: 2016. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 22—Division 20

JOAN L. MORIARTY

Office address: Carnahan Courthouse, 1114 Market St., St. Louis, 63101; phone (314) 622-4927.

City of St. Louis.

Biography: Born in Brookings, South Dakota. Graduate of Creighton University School of Pharmacy, Omaha, Neb.; St. Louis School of Law. Law clerk for the Hon. Robert G. Dowd Sr., Missouri Court of Appeals, Eastern District. Served as assistant prosecuting attorney for St. Louis County. Member: Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis, St. Louis Lawyer's Association and St. Ambrose Catholic Church. Appointed circuit judge, Jan. 1, 1998. Retained: 2000–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 22—Division 21

CLINTON R. WRIGHT

Office address: Carnahan Courthouse, 1114 Market St., St. Louis, 63101; phone (314) 622-4331.

City of St. Louis.

Biography: Not available. Appointed circuit judge, February 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2026.



Circuit 22—Division 22

MICHAEL W. NOBLE

Office address: Carnahan Courthouse, 1114 Market St., St. Louis 63101; phone (314) 622-4691.

City of St. Louis.

Biography: Graduate of United States Military Academy, B.S., 1988; St. Louis University School of Law, J.D., 2004. Married and has two children. Field artillery officer, patent attorney at Armstrong Teasdale and assistant public defender before becoming Drug Court commissioner in 2007; reappointed by court *en banc* 2011. Member: The Church of St. Michael and St. George. Appointed associate circuit judge, 2013. Retained: 2014. Appointed circuit judge, Nov. 17, 2015. Retained: 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.

Circuit 22—Division 23

PAULA P. BRYANT

Office address: Carnahan Courthouse, 1114 Market St., St. Louis, 63101; phone (314) 622-4341.

City of St. Louis.

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Married and has two children. Graduate of the Univ. of Mo.—St. Louis, B.S., 1981; St. Louis University School of Law, J.D., 1983. Adjunct professor for Webster Univ., St. Louis. Assistant circuit attorney, City of St. Louis, 1993–2004; assigned to the Specialized Homicide Unit, later a team leader; recipient of the Outstanding Trial Attorney award, 2004. Engaged in private practice, 1991–1993; public defender, 1987–1991 and staff attorney for the 22nd Judicial Circuit Court. Professional Memberships include: The Missouri Bar; St. Louis Lawyers Assoc.; Mound City Bar Assoc.; Woman's Lawyers Assoc.; Missouri Assoc. of Probate and Associate Circuit Judges; member of the Catholic Church; Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Community and educational organizations. Appointed associate circuit judge, February 2004. Retained: 2006–2014. Appointed circuit judge, June 2016. Retained: 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 22—Division 30

STEVEN R. OHMER

Office address: 920 N. Vandeventer Ave., St. Louis 63108; phone (314) 552-2025.

City of St. Louis.

Biography: Born in the city of St. Louis. Educated: St. Louis Univ. High, 1972; Florida State Univ., B.S., 1975 & Creighton Univ., J.D., 1979. Married Roberta Marie Cassulo, Dec. 29, 1976; two children: Rachel & Rebecca; two grandchildren: Caroline & Gabriel. Asst. circuit atty., City of St. Louis, 1979–83 & 1987–94; private practice, 1983–87, Ohmer & Ohmer, P.C.; chief warrant officer, circuit atty., 1992–94. Member: Supreme Court Circuit Court Budget Cmte., chair; Supreme Court Family Court Cmte.; Bar Assoc. of Metropolitan St. Louis; Lawyers Assoc. of St. Louis; Missouri & Illinois Bar assoc.; St. Pius V Catholic Church. Former athletic dir., St. Pius V; chair/member, St. Pius V Parish Council & member, Parents Council, Truman State Univ.. Volunteer judge, Stand Down Project for homeless veterans & Washington Univ. School of Law Moot Court. Authored/co-authored several articles. Appointed assoc. circuit judge, June 16, 1994, Gov. Carnahan. Retained: 1996. Appointed circuit judge, Aug. 1, 2000, Gov. Carnahan. Presiding judge, 2011–12 & assistant presiding judge, 2009–10. Retained: 2002, 2008, 2014 and 2020. Term expires Dec. 31, 2026. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 22—Division 31

JAMES E. SULLIVAN

Office address: Carnahan Courthouse, 1114 Market St., St. Louis 63101; phone (314) 622-4827.

City of St. Louis.

Biography: Born in Watseka, Illinois. Graduate of Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, B.A.; St. Louis University School of Law, J.D. Married to Sherri Berkgigler Sullivan, they have two children. Since receiving his law degree, Sullivan has served as an assistant public defender, prosecuting attorney and circuit attorney; St. Louis municipal court judge and drug court commissioner for the 22nd Circuit Court. Prior to joining the bench, he was in private law practice for 20 years. Appointed circuit judge, February 2015. Retained: 2016. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022.



Circuit 23—Division 4

BRENDA STACEY

Office address: Jefferson County Courthouse, PO Box 100, Hillsboro 63050; phone (636) 797-5420.

County: Jefferson.

Biography: Presiding judge. Born in San Jose, California. Graduate of Oak Grove High School, San Jose; San Jose State University, B.A. social science; University of Colorado, J.D. Licensed in Calif. prior to relocating to Missouri in 2004. Brenda has three children and was engaged in private practice, 2004–2014 in areas of bankruptcy, civil litigation, criminal defense and family law. Memberships: California Bar Association (inactive), Jefferson County Women's Bar Association (founding member), Jefferson County Bar Association, Missouri Association of Probate and Associate Circuit Judges since 2015. Elected associate circuit judge, 2014. Elected circuit judge, 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Republican.





Circuit 23—Division 1

JOSEPH A. RATHERT

Office address: Jefferson County Courthouse, PO Box 100, Hillsboro 63050; phone (636) 797-5410.

County: Jefferson.

Biography: Not available. Elected circuit judge, 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Republican.



Circuit 23—Division 2

DARRELL E. MISSEY

Office address: Jefferson County Courthouse, PO Box 100, Hillsboro 63050; phone (636) 797-5425.

County: Jefferson.

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Graduate of Truman State University, B.A., political science, 1989; St. Louis University, J.D., 1992. Married Andrea Schalk Missey on May 27, 1989; they have three daughters. Member: Missouri Bar Association; Supreme Court Family Court Committee. Elected associate circuit judge, 2003–2013. Elected circuit judge, 2014. Term expires Dec. 31, 2026. Republican.



Circuit 23—Division 3

DIANNA L. BARTELS

Office address: Jefferson County Courthouse, PO Box 100, Hillsboro 63050; phone (636) 797-5430.

County: Jefferson.

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Graduate of Webster University B.A., St. Louis University School of Law, 2001. Married Jule D. Bartels, 1998, they have two children. Desert Storm Veteran, U.S. Coast Guard, 1987–1992. Retired from Federal service in 2002. Missouri assistant attorney general, 2002–2005; Federal contracts attorney at Graybar Electric, 2005–2007; general counsel at Morrow Group USA, 2007–2010; director contracts and compliance, human resources and quality at Triumph Group, 2010–2013; self-employed, 2013–2016. Elected circuit judge, 2016. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 23—Division 5

VICTOR J. MELENBRINK

Office address: Jefferson County Courthouse, PO Box 100, Hillsboro 63050; phone (636) 797-6435.

County: Jefferson.

Biography: Graduate of University of Missouri–Columbia, B.A. Political Science, 2002, University of Missouri–Columbia School of Law, J.D., 2005. Married to Andrea (Timken) Melenbrink. They have three children. Practiced law, 2005–2016 with an emphasis in criminal law, working for the Criminal Appeals Division of the Missouri Attorney General's Office, as a prosecuting attorney for St. Louis County and Jefferson County and in private practice with a Hillsboro firm. Elected circuit judge, 2016. Retained: 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Republican.

Circuit 23—Division 6

TROY CARDONA

Office address: Jefferson County Courthouse, PO Box 100, Hillsboro 63050; phone (636) 797-6461.

County: Jefferson.

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Educated at Windsor High School, Imperial, 1981; Hosei University, Tokyo, Japan, 1983; Jefferson College; Truman State (formerly known as Northeast Missouri State University), Kirksville, B.A., 1984, *summa cum laude*, co-salutatorian, third in graduating class; Northeastern University Law School, Boston, Massachusetts, J.D., 1988; Kansai University of Foreign Studies, Osaka, Japan, 1989. Experience: U.S. attorney's office—Hawaii, law clerk 1987; Missouri public defender, four years; private practice, three years (Honolulu, Hawaii and St. Louis-Imperial-Hillsboro); chief warrant attorney and chief trial attorney, Jefferson County; assistant prosecutor, 11 years and general counsel Union Pacific Railroad, one year. Elected circuit judge, 2006. Retained: 2012 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024.



Circuit 24—Division 2

WENDY L. WEXLER HORN

Office address: St. Francois County Courthouse, 1 N. Washington, Second Fl., Farmington 63640; phone (573) 756-5144.

Counties: Madison, St. Francois, Ste. Genevieve and Washington.

Biography: Presiding judge. Bachelor of Science, Graduate of University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, B.S., May 1989; St. Louis University, J.D., 1992. Former prosecuting attorney, St. Francois County, 2001–2011. Private law practice, 1995–2000. Assistant public defender, 1993–1995. Married to Phillip Horn; one son, Jacob. Former president, Children's Advocacy Center of East Central Missouri board of directors; 2005 St. Francois County Citizen of the Year Award and 2009 St. Francois County Democrat of the Year. Appointed, Oct. 24, 2011. Elected 2012, to fill an unexpired term. Elected circuit judge, 2016 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Democrat.



Circuit 24—Division 1

JEREL LEE POOR II

Office address: St. Francois County Courthouse, 1 N. Washington, Third Fl., Farmington 63640; phone (573) 756-5144.

Counties: Madison, St. Francois, Ste. Genevieve and Washington.

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Graduate of Mehlville High School, 2003; Lindenwood University, B.A., 2007 and Master of Business Administration, 2008; Saint Louis University School of Law, J.D., 2012. Private practice, 2012–2014, corporate attorney, 2014–2018 and an eagle scout. Elected circuit judge, 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Republican.



Circuit 25—Division 1

WILLIAM E. HICKLE

Office address: 200 N. Main St., Ste. 201, Rolla 65401; phone (573) 458-6232.

Counties: Maries, Phelps, Pulaski and Texas.

Biography: Presiding judge. Born in Fort Worth, Texas. Graduate of Baylor University, B.A., chemistry, 1979; University of Missouri-Columbia, J.D., 1982. Married to Debbie, Nov. 26, 1982. Five children: David, Mark, Nathan, Sarah and Rachel. Practiced law in Rolla 27 years. Served as municipal judge, City of Rolla, 1996–2010. Served as chair of Missouri Head Injury Advisory Council to the Governor; Rolla Public Library Board of Trustees, president and Rolla Rotary Club, president. Elected associate circuit judge, 2010. Elected circuit judge, 2012. Retained: 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Republican.





Circuit 25—Division 2

JOHN D. BEGER

Office address: 200 N. Main St., Ste. 201, Rolla 65401; phone (573) 458-6232.

Counties: Maries, Phelps, Pulaski and Texas.

Biography: Born in St. Charles. Attended University of Missouri—Columbia, School of Business, B.S., B.A., 1976; and Law School, J.D., 1978. Married Cynthia Morris, 1981; they have two daughters. Elected Prosecutor, 1991–1994, 2011–2014. Private practice, 1979–2010, including Price & Beger, Salem, Beger & Bushie, Rolla, 1997–2010; City Counsellor, Rolla, 1995–2010. Certified Trial Advocate, National Board of Trial Advocacy, civil, 1998, criminal, 1999. Board of Trustees, Phelps County Regional Medical Center, 2002–2012. Member, Ozark Highlands Christian Church, Disciples of Christ. Elected 2015. Retained: 2016. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 26—Division 1

MATTHEW P. HAMNER

Office address: Camden County Courthouse, 1 Court Circle, Ste. 9, Camdenton 65020; phone (573) 346-5160.

Counties: Camden, Laclede, Miller, Moniteau and Morgan.

Biography: Presiding judge. Born in Chesterfield. Graduate of Camdenton High School, 1994; University of Missouri—Columbia, B.A., communications, *cum laude* and Phi Beta Kappa, 1998; University of Missouri—Columbia School of Law, J.D., 2001, Order of the Coif and Order of the Barristers. Law clerk for the Hon. William Ray Price Jr., Missouri Supreme Court, 2001–2002. Associate with the firm of Rouse, Hendricks, German, May P.C., Kansas City, 2002–2007. Associate and shareholder with the firm of Phillips, McElyea, Carpenter & Welch, P.C., Camdenton, 2007–2014, until election to the bench. Member: Missouri Bar Association; Kansas Bar Association; 26th Judicial Circuit Bar Association, president; Camdenton Rotary Club, board member; Camdenton R-III Education Foundation, board member and Harper Chapel United Methodist Church in Osage Beach. Elected associate circuit judge, 2014. Appointed circuit judge, October 2017. Elected in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2026. Republican.



Circuit 26—Division 2

KENNETH M. HAYDEN

Office address: Camden County Courthouse, 1 Court Circle, Ste. 9, Camdenton 65020; phone (573) 346-5160.

Counties: Camden, Laclede, Miller, Moniteau and Morgan.

Biography: Graduate of Central Missouri State University, B.S., 1984; University of Missouri—Columbia School of Law, J.D., 1987; admitted to Missouri Bar, 1987. Married to Deborah; they have two children, a daughter and a son. Formerly engaged in private law practice, 1987–2008. Member: The Missouri Bar; the 26th Judicial Circuit Bar Association; Versailles United Methodist Church and Versailles Lions Club. Appointed circuit judge, Sept. 11, 2008, to fill an unexpired term. Elected circuit judge, 2008. Retained: 2010 and 2016. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 26—Division 3

AARON G. KOEPPE

Office address: Camden County Courthouse, 1 Court Circle, Ste. 9, Camdenton 65020; phone (573) 346-5160.

County: Camden.

Biography: Born in Anchorage, Alaska, raised in Southwest Missouri. Graduate of Utah State University, B.A., pre-law, *cum laude*, 2000; Creighton University, J.D., 2004. Married to Nancy Tarbet, 1999. They have five children. Missouri State Public Defenders Office, 2004–2006. Iberia city prosecutor, 2006–2010. Village of Four Seasons special prosecutor, 2009–2010. Camden County assistant prosecutor, 2006–2010. Adjunct professor at Ozark Technical College and Columbia College, 2008–2020. Member: the Missouri Bar, the 26th Judicial Circuit Bar Association, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, Lake Ozark Runners and Rotary Club. Elected associate circuit judge, 2010. Retained 2014 and 2018. Elected circuit judge, 2020. Term expires Dec. 31, 2026. Republican.

Circuit 27

M. BRANDON BAKER

Office address: PO Box 487, Clinton 64735; phone (660) 885-7242.

Counties: Bates, Benton, Henry and St. Clair.

Biography: Presiding judge. Appointed circuit judge, October 2018.



Circuit 28

DAVID R. MUNTON

Office address: 100 W. Cherry, Ste. A, Nevada 64772; phone (417) 667-5016.

Counties: Barton, Cedar, Dade and Vernon.

Biography: Presiding judge. Graduated Southwest Baptist University, B.S., political science, 1979; University of Missouri–Columbia Law School, J.D., 1982. Married Jeanne Kingsland, 1985, they have four children. Served as law clerk to the Honorable George Flanigan, 1982–1983. Practiced law in Greene County then Polk County, 1983–1994. Elected associate circuit judge, 1994. Retained: 1998–2014. Elected circuit judge, 2016. Retained: 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 29—Division 1

GAYLE L. CRANE

Office address: Jasper County Courts Bldg., 601 S. Pearl, Rm. 316, Joplin 64801; phone (417) 625-4318.

County: Jasper.

Biography: Presiding judge. Born in Neosho. Graduate of KU, B.S.W.; University of Missouri–Kansas City School of Law, J.D. Married John Podleski. She has three children. Partner in a law firm, 1985–2006. Member: St. Paul's United Methodist Church. Elected circuit judge, November 2006. Retained: 2012 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Republican.



Circuit 29—Division 2

DEAN G. DANKELSON

Office address: Jasper County Courts Bldg., 601 S. Pearl, Joplin 64801; phone (417) 625-4320.

County: Jasper.

Biography: Born in Sandusky, Ohio. Graduate of the University of Missouri–Columbia, B.S.B.A., economics, 1986; University of North Carolina, J.D., 1989. Married Debbie Immesote, June 17, 1995. They have three children. Elected prosecuting attorney of Jasper County, 1998–2014. President of the Missouri Association of Prosecuting Attorneys, 2010 and 2011. Served on the board of the Children's Center of Southwest Missouri, Carl Junction Education Foundation and Joplin Sports Authority. Member: Grace Episcopal Church of Carthage. Elected circuit judge, 2016. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.





Circuit 29—Division 3

DAVID B. MOUTON

Office address: Jasper County Courts Bldg., 601 S. Pearl, Rm. 216, Joplin 64801; phone (417) 625-4325.

County: Jasper.

Biography: Born in Joplin. Graduated from the University of Missouri–Kansas City, B.A., J.D. Married Beverly Edwards, June 28, 1980. They have two children. Engaged in the private practice of law in Carthage, 1986–2006; city attorney of Carthage, 1999–2006. Member: Fairview Christian Church; Missouri and Jasper County Bar Associations. Former president of Jasper County Bar Association; former member of Salvation Army advisory board, Carthage Parks and Recreation board and of board of Community Foundation of Southwest Missouri. Elected circuit judge, 2006–2018. Served as presiding judge, 2017–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Republican.



Circuit 30

MICHAEL O. HENDRICKSON

Office address: 101 S. Crittenden, Marshfield 65706; phone (417) 468-2105.

Counties: Hickory, Dallas, Polk and Webster.

Biography: Presiding Judge. Born in Lincoln, NE. Graduate of Univ. of Nebraska, B.A., 1986; J.D., 1990. Married with three children. Previously served as special asst. U.S. atty., asst. Missouri atty. gen., chief asst. Taney Co. Pros., Asst. Jefferson Co. Pros. and a private practitioner. Member: Mo., Neb., Kan. and Springfield Metro Bar Assoc., Missouri Circuit Judges Assoc., American Judges Assoc. and Natl. Assoc. for Presiding and Court Executives. Appointed member of Supreme Court Institute Subcommittee of Civic Education, 2012. Elected Fellow Applied Science and Technology Adjudication Resource (ASTAR) (now Natl. Courts and Sciences Institute), 2012. Serve as faculty for Criminal Law at Missouri Judicial

College and for Civil Law at National Business Institute. Participate in Mo. Court Mgmt. Institute and selected for faculty at Institute for Court Mgmt. with the Natl. Center for State Courts, 2021. Served as special judge, Southern District Court of Appeals, 2009. Member Fellowship Bible Church and Board of Community Foundation, Rogersville. Elected Hickory Co. assoc. judge, 2006 and 2010. Elected circuit judge, 2012 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Republican.



Circuit 31—Division 1

MICHAEL J. CORDONNIER

Office address: Judicial Courts Facility, 1010 N. Boonville Ave., Springfield 65802; phone (417) 868-4078.

County: Greene.

Biography: Presiding judge. Born in St. Louis and raised in Springfield. Graduate of University of Missouri, B.S., business administration, 1979; University of Tulsa, College of Law, J.D., 1982. Engaged in private practice as a partner in the firm of Cunningham, Harpool & Cordonnier L.C. until merger and became partner with Lathrop & Gage, L.C., in 2004. Married Martha Love; they have two sons. Member: Christ Episcopal Church, Springfield; included as one of the “Best Lawyers in America,” 2007; and named as 417 Top Attorneys 2007. Author, *Automobile Torts*, supplement Mo. Bar CLE. Member of

American Bar, Missouri Bar and Springfield Metropolitan Bar associations. Past and present board member of several non profit organizations. Appointed circuit judge, January 2008. Elected circuit judge, 2008, to fill unexpired term. Retained: 2012 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 31—Division 2

DAVID JONES

Office address: Judicial Courts Facility, 1010 N. Boonville Ave., Springfield 65802; phone (417) 868-4086.

County: Greene.

Biography: Born in Springfield. Graduate of Albright College, 1975; Delaware Law School, J.D., *magna cum laude*, 1978. Married to Ginger Wagner, with one child. Served as an assistant United States attorney, United States Department of Justice, from 1979–2006. Engaged in private practice and professor at Drury University and Ozark Technical College, 2006–2008. Elected circuit judge, November 2008. Retained: 2014 and 2020. Term expires Dec. 31, 2026. Nonpartisan.

Circuit 31—Division 3

JASON R. BROWN

Office address: Judicial Courts Facility, 1010 N. Boonville Ave., Springfield 65802; phone (417) 868-4080.

County: Greene.

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Graduate of University of Missouri, B.A., Phi Beta Kappa, 1985; Vanderbilt University, J.D., 1988. Engaged in private practice in Kansas City area and Springfield, 1988–2004. Member: Trial Judge Education and Civic Education committees; Springfield SE Rotary Club; board member, Good Samaritan Boys Ranch. Appointed associate circuit judge, 2005. Elected 2006. Retained: 2010 and 2014. Appointed circuit judge, July 2015. Retained: 2016. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 31—Division 4

THOMAS E. MOUNTJOY

Office address: Judicial Courts Facility, 1010 N. Boonville Ave., Springfield 65802; phone (417) 868-4089.

County: Greene.

Biography: Born Stockton, California. Graduate of Central Missouri State Univ., B.S. Criminal Justice Administration. University of Missouri—Kansas City, J.D. Married Donna Newman, they have three daughters. Served as assistant professor, Criminal Justice Administration and Greene County Prosecuting Attorney. Presiding judge, 2009–2017. chair, Presiding Judges' Committee for State of Missouri, appointed by Missouri Supreme Court, 2014–2017. Member: Springfield Metropolitan Bar Assoc., board of directors, SMBA Foundation; Missouri Supreme Court Commission to Combat Domestic Violence and Human Trafficking, co-chair, Human Trafficking Committee; faculty member, Missouri Trial Judges College and New Judge Orientation. Awards: David B. Woodruff Memorial Community Justice; Humanitarian of the Year, Child Advocacy Center John P. Ferguson Award; CASA State Juvenile Judge of the Year. Appointed circuit judge, Feb. 9, 1996. Elected 1996. Retained: 2000–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 31—Division 5

CALVIN HOLDEN

Office address: Judicial Courts Facility, 1010 N. Boonville Ave., Springfield 65802; phone (417) 868-4837.

County: Greene.

Biography: Born in Mountain View. Graduate of Southwest Missouri State University, B.S., *cum laude*; Drake University, J.D., 1980. He has four children: Chrysa, Calie, Alexander and Zoe. Engaged in the practice of law, 1980–1996. Administrative law judge, Division of Employment Security, 1980–1981; Greene County assistant prosecuting attorney, 1983. Served in the U.S. Navy, 1972–1974. Member: Phi Kappa Phi; Springfield Metropolitan and Missouri Bar associations. Admitted to U.S. Supreme Court Bar. Missouri Drug Court Commission, commissioner. David B. Woodruff Memorial Community Justice Service Award recipient, 2000; NAMI of Southwest Missouri Governmental Award for Excellence, 2001 and Missouri Association of Drug Court Professionals President's Award, 2002. Appointed circuit judge, 1996. Elected 1996–2006. Retained: 2012 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 31—Division 6

BECKY J.W. BORTHWICK

Office address: Judicial Courts Facility, 1010 N. Boonville Ave., Springfield, 65802; phone (417) 868-4058.

County: Greene.

Biography: B.A. in Political Science from the University of Missouri—Columbia, 1991. J.D. from the University of Oklahoma, 1995. Private practice from, 1995–2003, 2005–2013. Assistant attorney general, State of Missouri, 2003–2005. Appointed full-time municipal court judge, City of Springfield, June 2013. Recognized by the *Springfield Business Journal*: *Twenty Most Influential Women of 2014* and *Missouri Lawyers Weekly* in the Public Officials category for the Women's Justice Awards of 2016. Appointed circuit judge, October 2019. Appointed associate circuit judge, April 2016. Term expires Dec. 31, 2026.





Circuit 32—Division 1

SCOTT A. LIPKE

Office address: Cape Girardeau County Courthouse, 203 N. High St., Jackson 63755; phone (573) 335-2802.

County: Cape Girardeau.

Biography: Presiding judge. Graduate of Murray State University, B.S. Political Science; Valparaiso University School of Law, J.D. Married to Ashley Hobbs; they have three children. Previously engaged in private practice and also served as assistant prosecuting attorney, Cape Girardeau County. Served as state representative, 2003–2011. Past president and board member of the Missouri Association of Treatment Court Professionals; past board member and past chair of Legislative Committee for the Missouri Association of Probation and Associate Circuit Judges. Appointed by the Supreme Court to the Circuit

Budget Committee. Elected associate circuit judge, 2010. Retained: 2014 and 2018. Elected circuit judge, 2020. Term expires Dec. 31, 2026. Republican.



Circuit 32—Division 2

BENJAMIN F. LEWIS

Office address: Cape Girardeau County Courthouse, 203 N. High St., Jackson 63755; phone (573) 335-2802.

Counties: Bollinger, Cape Girardeau and Perry.

Biography: Born in Cape Girardeau. Graduate of Southeast Missouri State University, B.A., 1977; University of Missouri–Kansas City, J.D., 1980. Married Debra K. Scholl, July 5, 1986. Law clerk, Hon. Timothy D. O’Leary, 16th Circuit, 1980–1981. Private practice, 1981–1990. Associate circuit judge, 1991–1994. Member, Layton & Lewis, L.L.C., 1995–2004. Trustee, SoutheastHEALTH, 1992–present. Past president of Hanover Lutheran Church, 32nd Circuit Bar Association and Cape Girardeau Noon Lions Club. Past chairman, Shawnee District BSA. BSA Award of Merit and Silver Beaver. Elected circuit judge, 2004–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Republican.



Circuit 33

DAVID DOLAN

Office address: Scott County Courthouse, PO Box 256, Benton 63736; phone (573) 545-3141.

Counties: Mississippi and Scott.

Biography: Presiding judge. Born in Memphis, Tennessee. Graduate of Univ. of Memphis, B.B.A.; J.D. Married Julie Crader, Aug. 2, 1980. Two children, Win and Claire. Member: St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church; Knights of Columbus, Fourth Degree; Mo. and Tenn. Bar assocs.; Natl. Assoc. of Juvenile and Family Court Judges; Mo. Juvenile Justice Assoc.; Natl. (sec.) and Mo. Assocs. of Drug Court Professionals; Sikeston Youth Soccer, pres.; Sikeston Little League, coach; Rotary Club; Sikeston Jaycees; SMC Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity; ODK; Bar Governor Univ. of Memphis School of Law. ASTAR Fellow, 2009; Presiding Judges Exec. Comm., 2006–present; Mo. Supreme Court Leg. Comm., 2008–present;

Circuit Judges Leg. Comm., 2008–present; and Mo. Sentencing and Corrections Oversight Comm., 2013–17. Private practice, Crader, Crader, Dolan and Dolan, 1982–90. Asst. pros. atty. Scott Co., 1986–90; pros. atty., 1991–93. Elected associate circuit judge, 1992 and 1994. Appointed circuit judge, March 1998. Elected 1998 and 2000. Retained: 2006–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Democrat.



Circuit 34

WILLIAM EDWARD REEVES

Office address: New Madrid County Courthouse, 450 Main St., New Madrid 63869; phone (573) 333-4156.

Counties: New Madrid and Pemiscot.

Biography: Presiding judge. B.A., Univ. of Mo.–Columbia, 1983; J.D., *cum laude*, Univ. of Mo. School of Law, 1986. Editor-In-Chief, *Missouri Law Review*; *Order of the Coif*; *Order of the Barristers*. Law clerk, Hon. John R. Gibson, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit, 1986–87. Private practice of law: Shook, Hardy & Bacon, Kansas City, 1987–92; Ward & Reeves, Caruthersville, 1992–2018. Mo. Bar Assoc. President’s Award, 2005; Mo. Bar Foundation Appellate Advocacy Award, 1996; Univ. of Mo. School of Law Distinguished Recent Graduate Award, 1995. Member: Mo. State Bd. of Law Examiners, 1985–2005; Mo. Bar Assoc. Bd. of Governors, 2006–08; Supreme Court Cmte. on Access to Family Courts; American Bar Foundation; Mo. Bar Assoc.; 34th Judicial Circuit Bar Assoc.; Eastwood Memorial United Methodist Church, Caruthersville. Lay speaker, United Methodist Church, Mo. Conference, Southeast District; former district lay-leader, Southeast district. Elected circuit judge, 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Democrat.

Circuit 35

ROBERT N. MAYER

Office address: Dunklin County Courthouse, PO Box 507, Kennett 63857; (573) 888-9133.

Counties: Dunklin and Stoddard.

Biography: Presiding judge. Born in Cape Girardeau. Graduate of Southeast Missouri State University, B.S., political science; University of Missouri–Kansas City, J.D. Married Nancy Tuley, July 29, 1978. Three sons: Jason, Dustin and Daniel. Member of First Baptist Church, Dexter. Practiced law in Dexter. Elected to the House of Representatives, 2000–2002. Served as chair of Crime Prevention and Public Safety Committee, 2003–2004. Elected to the Senate, 2004–2008. Served as Education Committee chair, 2008–2009. Served as Appropriations Committee chair, 2010. Served as Senate *president pro tem*, 2011–2012. Elected judge, 2012. Retained: 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Republican.



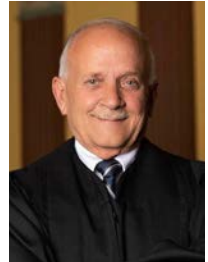
Circuit 36

MICHAEL PRITCHETT

Office address: 100 N. Main, Poplar Bluff 63901; phone (573) 686-8080.

Counties: Butler and Ripley.

Biography: Presiding judge. Born in Des Moines, Iowa. Graduate of Drury University, B.M.E., *summa cum laude*, 1976; University of Missouri–Columbia Law School, J.D., 1980. Married Nell Hearne Pritchett, July 30, 1977. Former Poplar Bluff city attorney and city prosecuting attorney; former Butler County assistant prosecuting attorney; engaged in private practice of law, 1981–2010; former board member of Poplar Bluff Transit Authority; ADAPT; Poplar Bluff Chamber of Commerce and Poplar Bluff Industries; Poplar Bluff R1 Diversity Committee. Member: First Baptist Church. Recipient of 2020 Theodore McMillian Judicial Excellence Award. Elected circuit judge, 2010. Term expires 2026. Republican.



Circuit 37

STEVEN PRIVETTE

Office address: 225 Courthouse Sq., West Plains 65775; phone (417) 256-4383.

Counties: Carter, Howell, Oregon and Shannon.

Biography: Presiding judge. Born in Corpus Christi, Texas. Graduate of the University of Missouri–Columbia, B.S., business administration, 1980; University of Missouri–Columbia, J.D., 1984. Prosecuting attorney: Howell County, 1987–1994; Oregon County, 1987–1990; 37th Circuit Bar president, 2007–2015. Appointed presiding judge, Sept. 28, 2018. Elected in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Republican.



Circuit 38—Division 1

LAURA J. JOHNSON

Office address: 102 W. Walnut, Rm. 204, Ozark 65721; phone (417) 582-5162.

County: Christian.

Biography: Presiding judge. Graduate of Missouri Univ., B.S., finance, *magna cum laude*, 1985, Natl. Merit Scholar; Southern Methodist Univ. School of Law, J.D. *cum laude*, 1988; Order of the Coif; Leading Articles Editor for the *Journal of Air Law & Commerce*. Married to Todd Johnson, 1987; two children. Clerk, 1988–90 for the Hon. Elmo B. Hunter, federal district judge on the U.S. District Court for the Western Dist. of Mo. Associate for the firm of Stinson, Mag & Fizzell, Kansas City, 1990–91. Attorney with the firm Ellis, Ellis, Hammons & Johnson, P.C., Springfield, 1991–2015. Member: Missouri Bar Assoc.; Springfield Metropolitan Bar Assoc. and Christian County Bar Assoc.; Circuit Judges' Association, vice pres.; Remote Proceedings Workgroup, chair; Commission on Retirement, Removal and Discipline of Judges; Certified Court Reporter Board, State Judicial Records Committee and Civic Education Committee. Past board member and officer of Court Appointed Special Advocates, Least of These Food Pantry and Board of Education for the Ozark School District and member of Rotary. Elected 2014 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Republican.





Circuit 38—Division 2
JENNIFER R. GROWCOCK

Office address: 100 W. Church St., Rm. 252, Ozark 65721; phone (417) 582-4375.

County: Christian.

Biography: Born in Oskaloosa, Iowa. Graduate of University of Iowa, B.A., English, 2001; Univ. of Nebraska Law School, J.D., 2004, with distinction. Married Matthew J. Growcock, Sept. 25, 2004; they have three children. Served in the private sector, 2004–16. Received “Missouri Lawyers Weekly” Up & Coming Lawyer and 2015 Attorneys awards for securing one of the largest reported settlements in the state. Super Lawyers Rising Star, 2014–16. Associate with Husch Blackwell, Springfield, 2004–10. Shareholder with Polsinelli, PC, Springfield and Kansas City, 2010–16. Member: Mo. Bar Assoc., Springfield Metropolitan Bar Assoc. and Christian County Bar Assoc. Past president and board member, CASA of

Southwest Mo. Current board member and member, Junior League of Springfield. Past advisory board member of Kingswood Preschool at her church, Kings Way United Methodist Church. Current treasurer and executive board member, Ozark West PTA. Elected circuit judge, 2016. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 39
DAVID A. COLE

Office address: PO Box 583, Cassville 65625; phone: (417) 847-1016.

Counties: Barry, Lawrence and Stone.

Biography: Presiding judge. Born in Springfield, Illinois. Graduate of Wheaton High School, Missouri Southern State College, B.S.B.A., University of Missouri–Columbia, J.D. Married to Amy Collinsworth and they have 3 children. Elected Barry County prosecuting attorney in 1994. Private practice of law from 1993–2021. Member of First Christian Church, Cassville. Former chair of the South Barry County Hospital Board, past member of Cassville R-IV Board of Education and past president of the Cassville Area Chamber of Commerce. Appointed Circuit Judge Jan. 29, 2021. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 40
GREGORY N. STREMEL

Office address: 123 E. Main St., Neosho 64850; phone (417) 451-8235.

Counties: McDonald and Newton.

Biography: Presiding judge. Born in Joplin. Graduate of McAuley High School in Joplin; Missouri Southern State College, A.S., computer programming, and B.S., B.A., general business, 1980; and University of Missouri–Columbia, 1983, J.D. Engaged in private practice from 1983–1992. Appointed as associate circuit judge by Gov. Jeremiah (Jay) Nixon, Dec. 8, 1992. Elected 1994. Retained: 1998–2014. Elected circuit judge, 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Republican.



Circuit 40
KEVIN SELBY

Office address: 123 E. Main St., Neosho 64850; phone (417) 451-8235.

Counties: McDonald and Newton.

Biography: Born in Joplin. Graduate of Webb City High School, 1983; University of Kansas, 1988; and McGeorge School of Law, Sacramento, Calif., 1992. Elected associate circuit judge, division 3, 2002. Retained: 2006–2018. Appointed circuit judge, October 2019. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Republican.

Circuit 41

FREDERICK (Rick) TUCKER

Office address: Macon County Courthouse, PO Box 368, Macon 63552; phone (660) 385-3713.

Counties: Macon and Shelby.

Biography: Presiding judge. Born in Independence. Graduate of William Chrisman High School, 1979; Park College, B.A., 1983; University of Missouri–Kansas City Law School, J.D., 1991. Married to Karma L. Swoffer, 1987. Four children. Worked five years as a carpet cleaner and welder. Public Defender, 1991–2004. Private law practice, 2004–2011. Appointed circuit judge by Gov. Jeremiah (Jay) Nixon, 2011. Elected circuit judge, 2012. Retained: 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Democrat.



Circuit 42—Division 1

MEGAN K. SEAY

Office address: Dent County Judicial Bldg., PO Box 551, Salem 65560; phone (573) 729-6816; FAX (573) 729-5146.

Counties: Crawford, Dent, Iron, Reynolds and Wayne.

Biography: Presiding judge. Born in Iola, Kansas. Graduate of University of Missouri–Columbia, B.A., political science, 2001; University of Missouri–Columbia, J.D., 2005. Married A.J. Seay, 2012. Together they have two children: Zoey and Kolson. Private law practice, 2005–2018. Elected circuit judge, Nov. 6, 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Republican.



Circuit 42—Division 2

MICHAEL RANDAZZO

Office address: Dent County Judicial Bldg., PO Box 551, Salem 65560; phone (573) 729-6816.

Counties: Crawford, Dent, Iron, Reynolds and Wayne.

Biography: Elected circuit judge, 2020. Term expires Dec. 31, 2026. Republican.



Circuit 43—Division 1

RYAN W. HORSMAN

Office address: 700 Webster, Ste. 11, Chillicothe 64601; phone (660) 646-8000; FAX (660) 646-2734.

Counties: Caldwell, Clinton, Daviess, DeKalb and Livingston.

Biography: Presiding judge. Born in St. Joseph. Graduate of University of Missouri–Columbia, B.A., 2004; University of Missouri–Kansas City School of Law, J.D., 2007. Married Lauren A. Horsman, May 12, 2007; they have two daughters Harper and Hayden. Appointed circuit judge by Gov. Michael L. Parson, 2018. Elected circuit judge, 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Republican.





Circuit 43—Division 2

R. BRENT ELLIOTT

Office address: Clinton County Courthouse, PO Box 275, Plattsburg 64477; phone (816) 539-3732; FAX (816) 539-3893.

Counties: Caldwell, Clinton, Daviess, DeKalb and Livingston.

Biography: Born in Eagleville. Graduate North Harrison High School, 1973; Graceland University, B.A., 1977; University of Missouri, J.D., 1980. Elected prosecuting attorney Livingston County, 1982 and 1986. Maintained private law practice in Chillicothe for 19 years, trying dozens of jury trials without a loss. Appointed DeKalb County associate circuit judge, Jan. 1, 2001. Elected, 2002 and 2006. Gov. Jeremiah (Jay) Nixon's first judicial appointment as circuit judge, Feb. 1, 2009. Elected, 2010. Retained: 2012 and 2018. Presiding circuit judge, 2010–2012 and 2018–2020. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Democrat.



Circuit 44

R. CRAIG CARTER

Office address: 1402 Haden St., PO Box 489, Ava 65608; phone (417) 683-5556; FAX (417) 683-5557.

Counties: Douglas, Wright and Ozark.

Biography: Presiding judge. Born in Springfield, Missouri. Graduate Missouri State University, B.S. in accounting, 1997; University of Arkansas, J.D., 2000. United States Army, 2nd Ranger Battalion, 1989–1991 (Panama, Operation Just Cause 1989); 10th, 12th, 20th Special Forces Groups, 1993–2002. Military Decorations include Purple Heart, Combat Infantryman's Badge, Parachutist Wings with Combat Jump Device, Expeditionary Badge, Kosovo Service Ribbon, Army Commendation Medal. Private practice of law, 2000–2005. Member Missouri Bar, Ava and Mansfield Lodges A.F. & A.M., Trinity Lutheran Church, circuit judge by Gov. Matt Blunt, 2005. Elected, 2006 and 2010. Elected circuit judge, 2013 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Republican.

Ava. Appointed associate

Circuit 45

PATRICK S. FLYNN

Office address: Lincoln County Justice Center, 45 Business Park Dr., Troy 63379; phone (636) 528-7147.

Counties: Lincoln and Pike.

Biography: Presiding judge. Born in Troy. Graduate of Univ. of Mo.–Columbia, B.S. agricultural economics, 1985; St. Louis Univ., J.D., 1988. Married Julie (Mueller) Flynn, Nov. 21, 1987; two children. Associate, law office of Jeffrey R. Swaney, 1987–90; Probate/assoc. circuit judge, div. II, 1991–2002; private practice, 2003–13 and 2015–18. Associate circuit judge, div. III, 2014. Member: Catholic Church; Archdiocese of St. Louis Catholic School Board, past bd. member; Troy Area Chamber of Commerce, past pres.; Troy Elks Lodge; Britton House Board of Governors, chair; Troy Historical/Archaeological Assoc., past bd. member; Mo. probate and assoc. circuit judge, past bd. member; Oasis Pregnancy Resource Center, bd. member; Lincoln Co. Domestic Violence Board, secretary. Awards: Troy Man of the Year, 1995 and Ten Outstanding Young Missourian, 1996. Past city attorney, Silex, Bellflower and Winfield. Past municipal judge, Elsberry, Troy, Winfield and Moscow Mills. Past municipal prosecutor, Winfield, Hawk Point, Moscow Mills and Foley. Elected circuit judge, 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Republican.



Circuit 46

JEFFREY M. MERRELL

Office address: Taney County Courthouse, PO Box 129, Forsyth 65653; phone (417) 546-7230; FAX (417) 546-6133.

County: Taney.

Biography: Presiding judge. Born in Frankfurt, Germany. Graduate Truman State University (formerly Northeast Missouri State University), B.A. in English, 1993; University of Missouri–Kansas City School of Law, J.D., 1997. Admitted to Missouri Bar, 1998. Married wife Allison in 2000, and they have two sons. Worked in private practice in Forsyth, 1998 until his election as Taney County Prosecuting Attorney, 2006. Served Taney County as Prosecutor, Jan. 1, 2007–Dec. 31, 2018. Elected circuit judge, November 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Republican.

Circuit courts by county

Adair	Circuit No. 2	Livingston	Circuit No. 43
Andrew	Circuit No. 5	Macon	Circuit No. 41
Atchison	Circuit No. 4	Madison	Circuit No. 24
Audrain	Circuit No. 12	Maries	Circuit No. 25
Barry	Circuit No. 39	Marion	Circuit No. 10
Barton	Circuit No. 28	McDonald	Circuit No. 40
Bates	Circuit No. 27	Mercer	Circuit No. 3
Benton	Circuit No. 27	Miller	Circuit No. 26
Bollinger	Circuit No. 32	Mississippi	Circuit No. 33
Boone	Circuit No. 13	Moniteau	Circuit No. 26
Buchanan	Circuit No. 5	Monroe	Circuit No. 10
Butler	Circuit No. 36	Montgomery	Circuit No. 12
Caldwell	Circuit No. 43	Morgan	Circuit No. 26
Callaway	Circuit No. 13	New Madrid	Circuit No. 34
Camden	Circuit No. 26	Newton	Circuit No. 40
Cape Girardeau	Circuit No. 32	Nodaway	Circuit No. 4
Carroll	Circuit No. 8	Oregon	Circuit No. 37
Carter	Circuit No. 37	Osage	Circuit No. 20
Cass	Circuit No. 17	Ozark	Circuit No. 44
Cedar	Circuit No. 28	Pemiscot	Circuit No. 34
Chariton	Circuit No. 9	Perry	Circuit No. 32
Christian	Circuit No. 38	Pettis	Circuit No. 18
Clark	Circuit No. 1	Phelps	Circuit No. 25
Clay	Circuit No. 7	Pike	Circuit No. 45
Clinton	Circuit No. 43	Platte	Circuit No. 6
Cole	Circuit No. 19	Polk	Circuit No. 30
Cooper	Circuit No. 18	Pulaski	Circuit No. 25
Crawford	Circuit No. 42	Putnam	Circuit No. 3
Dade	Circuit No. 28	Ralls	Circuit No. 10
Dallas	Circuit No. 30	Randolph	Circuit No. 14
Daviess	Circuit No. 43	Ray	Circuit No. 8
DeKalb	Circuit No. 43	Reynolds	Circuit No. 42
Dent	Circuit No. 42	Ripley	Circuit No. 36
Douglas	Circuit No. 44	St. Charles	Circuit No. 11
Dunklin	Circuit No. 35	St. Clair	Circuit No. 27
Franklin	Circuit No. 20	St. Francois	Circuit No. 24
Gasconade	Circuit No. 20	St. Louis Co.	Circuit No. 21
Gentry	Circuit No. 4	St. Louis City	Circuit No. 22
Greene	Circuit No. 31	Ste. Genevieve	Circuit No. 24
Grundy	Circuit No. 3	Saline	Circuit No. 15
Harrison	Circuit No. 3	Schuyler	Circuit No. 1
Henry	Circuit No. 27	Scotland	Circuit No. 1
Hickory	Circuit No. 30	Scott	Circuit No. 33
Holt	Circuit No. 4	Shannon	Circuit No. 37
Howard	Circuit No. 14	Shelby	Circuit No. 41
Howell	Circuit No. 37	Stoddard	Circuit No. 35
Iron	Circuit No. 42	Stone	Circuit No. 39
Jackson	Circuit No. 16	Sullivan	Circuit No. 9
Jasper	Circuit No. 29	Taney	Circuit No. 46
Jefferson	Circuit No. 23	Texas	Circuit No. 25
Johnson	Circuit No. 17	Vernon	Circuit No. 28
Knox	Circuit No. 2	Warren	Circuit No. 12
Laclede	Circuit No. 26	Washington	Circuit No. 24
Lafayette	Circuit No. 15	Wayne	Circuit No. 42
Lawrence	Circuit No. 39	Webster	Circuit No. 30
Lewis	Circuit No. 2	Worth	Circuit No. 4
Lincoln	Circuit No. 45	Wright	Circuit No. 44
Linn	Circuit No. 9		

Effective Jan. 1, 2022, Benton County moved from the 30th circuit to the 27th circuit.



Circuit 1
HOLLY CONGER-KOENIG

Office address: 111 E. Court St., Ste. 210, Kahoka 63445; phone (660) 727-1233.

County: Clark.

Biography: Born in Quincy, Illinois. Graduate of Clark County High School, 2006; Culver Stockton College, B.S., criminal justice major (minor in accounting), 2010; Thomas Cooley Law School, J.D., 2013. Private practice, 2014–2020; Clark County Prosecuting Attorney, 2015–2020. Appointed associated circuit judge, 2020. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 1
KELLY L. LOVEKAMP

Office address: Schuyler County Courthouse, PO Box 417, Lancaster 63548; phone (660) 956-9187.

County: Schuyler.

Biography: Born in Kirksville. Graduate of Truman State University (Northeast Missouri State University), B.S., 1983, business administration and psychology major (minor in personnel management); graduate of University of Missouri–Columbia School of Law, J.D., 1990. Engaged in private practice, 1990–2010. Served as city attorney for Lancaster, Greentop and Glenwood. Recipient of MSTA Friend of Education Award. Elected board member, Missouri Association of Probate and Associate Circuit Judges, 2012–present. Elected associate circuit judge, 2010. Retained in 2014 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Democrat.



Circuit 1
KIMBERLY J. NICOLI

Office address: Scotland County Courthouse, 117 S. Market, Rm. 200, Memphis 63555; phone (660) 465-2404.

County: Scotland.

Biography: Born in Bloomfield, Iowa. Graduate of Missouri Valley College, B.A. in English, 1986; Graduate of St. Louis University School of Law, J.D., 1989. Private law practice, 1990–2018; Scotland County Prosecuting Attorney, 1996–1998 and 2003–2018. Served as the prosecuting attorney for the City of Memphis, Missouri. Elected associate circuit judge, 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 2
KRISTIE J. SWAIM

Office address: Adair County Courthouse, 106 W. Washington, Kirksville 63501; phone (660) 665-3877.

County: Adair.

Biography: Graduate of University of Iowa, B.A., political science, 1990; University of Missouri–Columbia, J.D., 1993. Board of Advocates, writing director, 1992–1993; University of Missouri–Columbia, teaching assistant in legal research, writing and advocacy, 1992–1993; Order of Barristers, 1993; Missouri Supreme Court Publications, assistant editor, 1991–1993; private law practice, 1993–2002; Kirksville City Council, 1999–2002. Received West Publishing Award for Excellence in Research and Writing, 1990; Richard J. Chamier Award in Public Speaking, 1991; Fred L. Howard Prize for Excellence in

Appellate Advocacy, 1992–1993. Service on Civic Education Committee; MAPACJ Board of Directors; MMACJA Board of Directors; Student Subcommittee on Civic Education; Task Force on Future of the Profession; Trial Judge Focus Group; numerous community groups and organizations. Elected Adair County associate circuit judge, 2002. Retained in 2006–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Democrat.

Circuit 2

THOMAS P. REDINGTON

Office address: Knox County Courthouse, 107 N. Fourth St., Ste. I, Edina 63537; phone (660) 397-3146.

County: Knox.

Biography: Graduate of Quincy University, B.A., 1979; Seattle University, J.D., 1983. Marion County prosecuting attorney, 1996–2013; adjunct faculty of the National College of District Attorneys (NDAA), 2008–2013; and board of governors, Missouri Association of Trial Attorneys, member, 1984–1999. Faculty of the Missouri Office of Prosecution Services Trial School, 2010–2013; board of directors of the Missouri Association of Drug Court Professionals, member, 2011–2013. Previously the president of the Holy Family School Board in Hannibal and served as president of the board of directors of the Hannibal Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse. Elected associate circuit judge, 2014. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Democrat.



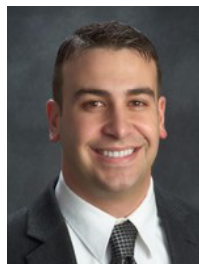
Circuit 2

COREY R. MOON

Office address: Lewis County Courthouse, PO Box 36, Monticello 63457; phone (573) 767-5352.

County: Lewis.

Biography: Born in Illinois. Education: Truman State Univ., B.S. in Justice Systems & Political Science, 2011; Univ. of Mo.-Col., J.D., 2014. Admitted to practice, 2014. Married to Leslie & has a daughter, Bria. Member of the Missouri Army National Guard, rank of First Lieutenant. Adjunct prof., Culver Stockton-College, 2016–19 & engaged in general practice. Asst. pros. atty., Lewis Co., 2015–18 & Macon Co., 2020–21. Elected pros. atty., Knox Co., 2019–21. Member: The Missouri Bar Young Lawyers' Section Council, 2017–21; The Missouri Bar; Mo. Assoc. of Probate & Assoc. Circuit Judges; Mo. Assoc. of Treatment Court Pro.; American Judges Assoc.; Can-Oka Swim Team; Comm. Foundation; Heartland Resources, Inc.; Douglass Comm. Svcs., Inc.; River Valley Comm. Course, Inc.; Canton Comm. Center; La Grange Lions Club; Canton Immanuel United Methodist Church; Edina Masonic Lodge No. 391; Hospice of NE Missouri. Appointed associate circuit judge in May 2021. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 3

STEVEN D. HUDSON

Office address: Grundy County Courthouse, 700 Main St., Ste 6, Trenton 64683; phone (660) 359-4040.

County: Grundy.

Biography: Born in Trenton. Graduate of William Jewell College, B.S. business administration, *magna cum laude*, 1983; University of Missouri-Kansas City, J.D., 1986. Married to Jeanette Houck; two children and one step-child. Member: Wesley United Methodist Church and NCMO Fair Board. Served as Grundy County prosecutor, September 1993–December 1998. Elected Grundy County associate judge, November 1998. Retained 2002–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 3

JAY HEMENWAY

Office address: Harrison County Courthouse, PO Box 189, Bethany 64424; phone (660) 425-6432.

County: Harrison.

Biography: Born in Kirksville. Graduate Truman State Univ., B.S., Bus. Admin., B.A. Political Science, 1983; Univ. of Mo.-Kansas City, J.D., 1988; Delta Theta Phi; Eagle Scout Award. Married to Melody Emmett, five children. Member: Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church; Knights of Columbus; Missouri Bar; exec. bd., Pony Express Council, Boy Scouts of America, 2017–present; district chair, Grand River Trails District, Boy Scouts of America, 2017–present; Bethany Rotary Club; Mercer Co. Extension Council, past pres.; Princeton Rotary Club, past pres.; South Harrison Band Boosters; Friends of the Bethany Library, bd. member; Bethany Parks and Rec. Bd., 2017–19; Harrison Co. Group Homes, bd. member; Goetze Educational Foundation, current pres. Employment: Schnapp law firm, Fredericktown, 1988–90; Madison Co. Asst. Prosecuting Atty., 1989–90; Legal Aid of Western Mo., 1990–92; Sole practitioner, 1992–2018. Mercer Co. Prosecuting Atty., 1992–2002. Elected associate circuit judge, 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.





Circuit 3
MATTHEW M. KROHN

Office address: Mercer County Courthouse, 802 E. Main St., Princeton 64673; phone (660) 748-4335.

County: Mercer.

Biography: Graduated Princeton High School, 1990; Benedictine College, B.S., political science/pre-law, minor in business administration, *magna cum laude*, 1994; University of Missouri–Kansas City, J.D., 1997; trial advocacy team. Married to Kelly Coon, three children. Member: Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church in Princeton; Missouri Bar; Third Circuit Bar Association; Third Circuit Drug Court Judge and Team; Princeton Rotary Club, past president; PHS Alumni Association, past president; PHS Endowment, board member; Princeton Ball Association. Employment: private practice in Trenton with the Andreck, Evans, Widger, Johnson & Lewis Law Firm, 1997–2014, partner for 10 years; city attorney for Princeton and Mercer. Elected associate circuit judge, Nov. 2014. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 3
SAMUEL D. FRANK

Office address: Putnam County Courthouse, 601 W. Main, Rm. 204, Unionville 63565; phone (660) 947-2117.

County: Putnam.

Biography: Born in Centerville, Iowa. Graduate of Truman State University, Kirksville, B.A., political science, 1984; M.A., history, 1986 and Oklahoma City University, J.D., 1989. Married Mary Helmken, June 12, 1998. Solo practitioner for 20 years. Served as city prosecutor, Unionville, for 10 years. Member: Missouri Bar and American Bar associations since 1990. Elected associate circuit judge, 2010. Retained in 2014 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Democrat.



Circuit 4
COREY K. HERRON

Office address: Atchison County Courthouse, PO Box 280, Rock Port 64482; phone (660) 744-2700.

County: Atchison.

Biography: Born in Fairfax. Graduate, Univ. of Mo.–Col., B.S.B.A., 1992, J.D., 1996. Married Kristina Kelsall, Nov. 24, 2001. They have one son, Phillip. Private practice, Andreck, Evans, Milne, Widger & Johnson, L.L.C., 1996–2008. Admitted to U.S. Dist. Court, Western Dist. of Mo. and U.S. Court of Appeals, Eighth Circuit. Past pres., Third Cir. Bar Assoc. and Fourth Cir. Bar Assoc.. Member: Phi Alpha Delta; Mo. Assoc. of Probate and Assoc. Cir. Judges, bd. member, leg. cmte., sec./treasurer, 2014–17, vp, 2017–18, pres., 2018–19; Cir. Court Budget Cmte., 2015–present; Judicial Transfer Workgroup; CCBC liason, Mo. Court Automation Cmte., 2020–present; Judicial Conf. of Mo. Exec.

Council, 2014–present; Judicial Conf. of Mo. Legislative Cmte., 2020–present; Circuit Realignment Task Force and Judicial Weighted Workload Subcmte., 2018–19; past Civic Education Cmte. Speakers Bureau Subcmte. regional coord.; Rock Port Rotary; St. John's Lutheran Church; past cub master, Rock Port Pack 59; Comm. Hospital-Fairfax, bd. of dir., NW Mo. Comm. Foundation bd. of dir.. Appointed assoc. circuit judge, 2008. Re-elected: 2010, 2014 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican



Circuit 4
REBECCA S. MCGINLEY

Office address: Gentry County Courthouse, 200 W. Clay St., Ste. 101, Albany 64402; phone (660) 726-3411.

County: Gentry.

Biography: Born in Albany, Missouri. Graduate of Albany R-3 High School, 1991; Central Missouri State Univ., B.S. Criminal Justice, 1995; Univ. of Missouri–Kansas City School of Law, J.D., 1998. Married Mark Krawczyk, Sept. 10, 2005, they have two children. Served as legal intern, Johnson County Kansas District Attorney's Office; asst. prosecuting attorney, Cass County; law clerk, Honorable John R. O'Malley, 16th Judicial Circuit; associate with Wallace, Saunders, Austin, Brown & Enochs; special asst. U.S. attorney for the U.S. Attorney's Office, Washington D.C.; contracts/supply chain/ in-house counsel, Lake City Army

Ammunition Plant, Independence, Mo.. Member: Missouri Bar, Kansas Bar (inactive), Missouri Association of Probate & Associate Circuit Judges, Missouri Association of Treatment Court Professionals, Fourth Circuit Bar Association and Fourth Circuit DWI Treatment Court Team. Appointed by the Supreme Court to serve on its Commission on Racial and Ethnic Fairness (CREF), 2019–present. Elected associate circuit judge, 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.

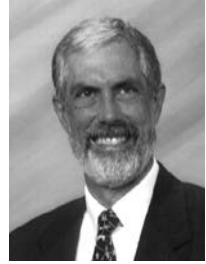
Circuit 4

WILLIAM S. RICHARDS

Office address: Holt County Courthouse, PO Box 173, Oregon 64473; phone (660) 446-3380.

County: Holt.

Biography: Born in St. Joseph. Graduate of Loyola University–New Orleans, B.A., philosophy, 1974; University of Missouri–Kansas City, J.D., 1977. Married Katherine Weber, Aug. 10, 1996. They have two children. General practice of law, 1977–1990. Elected 1990. Retained in 1994–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



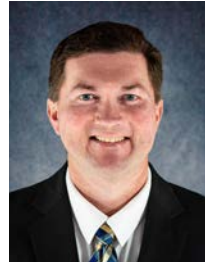
Circuit 4

ROBERT L. RICE

Office address: Nodaway County Courthouse, 305 N. Main St., Maryville 64468; phone (660) 582-2531.

County: Nodaway.

Biography: Graduate of Maryville High School, 1995; Northwest Missouri State University, B.S., Government, 2000 and Creighton University School of Law, J.D., 2003. Assistant Public Defender with the Missouri State Public Defender System, 2003–2007; associate with Johnathan L. Meyer Law Firm, Bethany, 2008 and sole practitioner as Robert L. Rice Law Firm, Maryville, 2008–2010. Elected prosecuting attorney for Nodaway County, 2010, 2014 & 2018; regional coordinator of Missouri Supreme Court's Civic Education Committee; Fourth Circuit Alternative DWI Treatment Court Judge; past president, past treasurer and current member of Fourth Judicial Circuit Bar Association; chair, Fourth Circuit's Leadership Team on Mental Health and Criminal Justice. Appointed associate circuit judge by Gov. Michael L. Parson, 2020. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 4

JOEL MILLER

Office address: Worth County Courthouse, PO Box 350, Grant City 64456; phone (660) 564-2152.

County: Worth.

Biography: Born in Albany. Graduate of the University of Missouri–Columbia, B.A., political science; Missouri State University, M.A., public administration and Drake University Law School, Des Moines, Iowa, J.D. Assistant prosecuting attorney of Gentry County. Private practice in the law office of Edward M. Manning, P.C. Member: Missouri Supreme Court's State Judicial Records Committee; Fourth Circuit Bar Association; First Christian Church of Grant City; Worth County Education Foundation; Allensville and Grant City lodges and Allendale Fourth of July Breakfast Club. Appointed Sept. 1, 2006. Elected Nov. 7, 2006. Retained in 2010–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



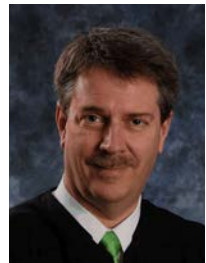
Circuit 5

MICHAEL J. ORDNUNG

Office address: Andrew County Courthouse, PO Box 318, Savannah 64485; phone (816) 324-3921.

County: Andrew.

Biography: Graduate of Northwest Missouri State University, B.S., double major in business management and marketing, 1977; masters of business administration, 1980; University of Missouri–Kansas City, J.D., 1986. Joined the firm of Morton Reed and Counts in St. Joseph, 1986, later became partner. Elected associate circuit judge, 1998. Retained in 2002–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.





Circuit 5

KEITH MARQUART

Office address: Buchanan County Courthouse, 411 Jules, St. Joseph 64501; phone (816) 271-1454.

County: Buchanan.

Biography: Born in Washington, Missouri. Graduated from Benedictine College, Atchison, Kansas, B.A. in political science; University of Missouri–Kansas City School of Law, J.D. Married to Corky and has two children, Blake and Brooke. Was appointed to fill an unexpired term in 1988. Elected in 1990. Retained in 1994–2018 Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 5

REBECCA L. SPENCER

Office address: Buchanan County Courthouse, 411 Jules, Rm. 331, St. Joseph 64501; phone (816) 271-1448.

County: Buchanan.

Biography: Graduate of University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee, B.A., English and political science, 1996; University of Missouri–Kansas City, J.D., 1999. She currently resides in St. Joseph, with her three children. Assistant prosecuting attorney in Buchanan County until May 2001. Prosecuting attorney for the City of St. Joseph until December 2014. Served as the municipal judge for the City of Easton for seven years. Served as the president of the St. Joseph Bar Association, 2012. Judge Spencer presides over a variety of civil cases,

including cases where the amount of controversy is \$25,000 or less, small claims actions and landlord tenant cases. In addition, she presides over felony and misdemeanor charges of non-support and misdemeanor criminal cases in Buchanan County. She also presides over preliminary hearings in Buchanan County on criminal felony complaints. Elected 2014. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 6—Division 3

ABE (QUINT) SHAFER V

Office address: Platte County Courthouse, 415 Third St., Ste. 50, Platte City 64079; phone (816) 858-3434.

County: Platte.

Biography: Born in Kansas City. Education: West Platte R-II School District (Weston), 1987; University of Colorado, B.A., 1991; Mississippi College School of Law, J.D., 1995; Graduate School of Banking, University of Wisconsin–Madison, 2013. Married to Christy Shafer (1995) with two children. Formerly: member/manager of Shafer Law Office, LC (later, Shafer & Welch, LC); city attorney–City of Weston; school board member–West Platte R-II; general counsel, Bank of Weston; special prosecutor, Platte County; adjunct professor, Benedictine College; attorney for numerous boards and political subdivisions;

and served as director/officer/attorney for numerous philanthropic and charitable organizations. Member: Missouri Bar, Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Assoc., Platte County Bar Assoc. and Weston Christian Church. Appointed associate circuit judge by Gov. Jeremiah (Jay) Nixon, April 1, 2014. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.

Circuit 6—Division 4

MEGAN B. BENTON

Office address: Platte County Courthouse, 415 Third St., Ste. 50, Platte City 64079; phone (816) 858-1977.

County: Platte.

Biography: Not available.



Circuit 6—Division 5

DENNIS C. ECKOLD

Office address: Platte County Courthouse, 415 Third St., Ste. 50, Platte City 64079; phone (816) 858-1925.

County: Platte.

Biography: Graduate of the University of Michigan–Ann Arbor, B.A. psychology, 1979, with distinction; University of Missouri–Columbia School of Law, J.D., 1983. Married to Lisa D. Eckold. They have four children. Engaged in private practice in Kansas City, 1983–2010 and as a mediator and arbitrator, 1999–2010. Served as a member of the Kansas City Board of Police Commissioners (former board president), 1998–2003. Member: Gloria Dei Lutheran Church; Platte County Bar Association, Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association. Received Outstanding Public Official award from Tri-County Mental Health Services, 2013. Serves as a board member of the Missouri Association of Probate and Associate Circuit Judges and the Missouri Association of Treatment Court Professionals. Appointed associate circuit judge, May 2010. Retained in 2016. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 7—Division 5

ALISHA D. O'HARA

Office address: Clay County Courthouse, 11 S. Water, Liberty 64068; phone (816) 407-3950.

County: Clay.

Biography: Born in Shawnee Mission, Kansas. Graduate of the University of Missouri–Columbia, B.A. psychology; University of Missouri–Kansas City School of Law, 2007. Lives in Kansas City with her husband, Dr. Blake Overly and her son, Brooks. Assistant prosecuting attorney for Clay County, 2010–2019; supervising attorney Child Support Division, 2016–2019, assistant public defender, 2007–2009. Member: Missouri Bar, Clay County Bar Association, Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association, Association for Women Lawyers, Association of Family and Conciliation Courts. Appointed associate circuit judge, April 1, 2019. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 7—Division 6

KAREN L. KRAUSER

Office address: Clay County Courthouse, 11 S. Water, Liberty 64068; phone (816) 407-3960.

County: Clay.

Biography: Born in Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. Graduate of Park College (now Park University), 1999, B.A., criminal justice and psychology; University of Missouri–Kansas City School of Law, 2002. Lives in Kansas City with her husband, Tim West and her daughter, Alexandria. Assistant prosecutor for Clay County, 2002–2012; deputy chief prosecutor, 2008–2012; municipal judge for Excelsior Springs, 2008–2012 and municipal judge for Platte Woods, 2010–2012. Member: Missouri Bar; Clay County Bar Association; Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association; Association for Women Lawyers of Kansas City; Missouri Probate and Associate Circuit Judges Association; Missouri Municipal and Associate Circuit Judges Association and American Judges Association. Appointed associate circuit judge, Jan. 10, 2012. Elected 2014. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 7—Division 7

LOUIS ANGLES

Office address: Clay County Courthouse, 11 S. Water St., Liberty 64068; phone (816) 407-3970.

County: Clay.

Biography: Born in Havana, Cuba. Graduate of Shawnee Mission East High School, Prairie Village, Kan., 1976; University of Missouri–Kansas City School of Pharmacy, B.S., pharmacy, 1983 and Washburn University School of Law, J.D., 1988. Engaged in private law practice, 1988 until appointment to the bench in 2013. Member: Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association, Clay County Bar Association, Missouri Bar, Missouri Probate and Associate Circuit Judges Association and Missouri Municipal and Associate Circuit Judges Association. Former member: Missouri Association of Trial Attorneys. Appointed associate circuit judge, Oct. 18, 2013. Elected 2016. Term expires Dec. 31, 2020. Nonpartisan.





Circuit 7—Division 9

TIMOTHY J. FLOOK

Office address: Clay County Courthouse, 11 S. Water, Liberty 64068; phone (816) 407-3990.

County: Clay.

Biography: Born in Clay County. William Jewell College, B.A., 1989; honors study, St. Peters College; Oxford Univ., 1989; UMKC, J.D., 1992. Resides in Kansas City with wife Elizabeth Serpa-Flook and two daughters. Flook & Graham, P.C., 1997–2015; asst. Clay County counselor, 1993–2001, 2013–15; Mo. Atty. General Criminal Div., 1991–92. Elected Mo. House of Rep., 2004–10; Economic Development Committee, chair; Judiciary Committee, vice chair. Member: Clay County Bar Assoc.; Hispanic Bar Assoc. of Kansas City, past pres.; St Andrews Catholic Church. Awards: Mo. Bar Assoc.; Judicial Conference; Assoc. of Probate & Assoc. Circuit Judges; St Louis Hispanic Leaders “Esperanza”; St. Louis

RCGA; Lewis & Clark Statesman; St Louis Business Journal. Governor’s Commissions Tax Credit Reform; Hispanic Business, Culture & Trade, chair. Mayor’s Commission on Local Control of Kansas City Police Dept. President’s advisory council William Jewell College. Appointed associate circuit judge, 2015. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 8

JOE DON MCGAUGH

Office address: Carroll County Courthouse, 8 S. Main St., Ste. 3, Carrollton 64633; phone (660) 542-1818.

County: Carroll.

Biography: Born in Carrollton. Graduate of the University of Missouri–Columbia, 2006, B.S. in Agricultural Economics, and minor in Political Science; University of Missouri–Kansas City, 2010, J.D. He resides in Carrollton with his wife, Kassie, and their three daughters, Nora Kate, Vivian and Gemma. Member: Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity, Wakanda Lodge #52, A.F. & A.M., Carroll County Shrine Club, Carrollton Lions Club (past president). Attends Carrollton United Methodist Church. Served as counselor and city attorney for the Town of Carrollton. General practice with McGaugh Law Offices, LLC

in Carrollton and Richmond, 2010–2017. Elected to House of Representatives, 2012–2016. Appointed associate circuit judge, October 2017. Elected November 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 8

LORI J. BASKINS

Office address: Ray County Courthouse, 100 W. Main St., Second Fl., Richmond 64085; phone (816) 776-2335.

County: Ray.

Biography: Born in Windsor. Graduate of Fort Osage High School, Independence, 1983; Southwest Missouri State University, B.A., economics and mathematics, *summa cum laude*, 1987; Washington University School of Law, J.D., 1990 and Order of the Coif. Engaged in private practice, Kohn, Shands, Elbert, Gianoulakis & Giljum, St. Louis, 1990–1997; deputy state supervisor, Missouri Department of Public Safety, Division of Alcohol & Tobacco Control, 1997–2005 and private practice, 2005–2014, Richmond. Elected November 2014. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Democrat.



Circuit 9

ANDREA RAVENS VANDELOECHT

Office address: Chariton County Courthouse, 306 S. Cherry, Keytesville 65261; phone (660) 288-3271.

County: Chariton.

Biography: Graduate of Westminster College, B.A.; University of Missouri–Columbia School of Law, J.D. General practice with Chapman, Cowherd, Turner and Tschannen, P.C., 2001–2010. Elected associate circuit judge, November 2010. Retained in 2014 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Democrat.

Circuit 9

WILLIAM DEVOY

Office address: Linn County Courthouse, PO Box 84, Linneus 64653; phone (660) 895-5212.

County: Linn.

Biography: Graduate of Rockhurst College (now Rockhurst University), B.S. in Business Administration (accounting), 1990; University of Missouri–Columbia School of Law, 1994. Linn County Prosecuting Attorney, 1995–1998. General practice with Elton & Devoy, P.C., 1995–2021. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 9

TRACEY A. MASON-WHITE

Office address: Sullivan County Courthouse, 109 N. Main, Ste. 20, Milan, 63556; phone (660) 265-3303.

County: Sullivan.

Biography: Graduate of University of Missouri–Kansas City, B.S., business administration, 1999; University of Denver College of Law, J.D., 2004. Elected associate circuit judge, 2010. Retained in 2014 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 10

JOHN J. JACKSON

Office address: Marion County Courthouse, 906 Broadway, Hannibal 63401; phone (573) 221-0288.

County: Marion.

Biography: Graduate of University of Missouri–Columbia, B.A., 1982; J.D., 1985. Member and past president, 10th Circuit Bar Association. Elected Marion County prosecuting attorney, 1990 and 1994. Appointed associate circuit judge, 1996. Elected 1998. Retained in 2002–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Democrat.



Circuit 10

TALLY M. SMITH

Office address: Monroe County Courthouse, 300 N. Main, Paris 65275;

County: Monroe.

Biography: Not available. Appointed associate circuit judge, November 2021. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022.





Circuit 10
DAVID MOBLEY

Office address: Ralls County Courthouse, PO Box 466, New London 63459; phone (573) 985-5641.

County: Ralls.

Biography: Graduate of Culver-Stockton College, B.A.; University of Missouri–Columbia, J.D. Married Sherre Lubker, June 16, 1984; they have three children. Served in private practice of law, 1986–2001. Appointed by Supreme Court to Family Court Committee and currently serves on the committee. Currently serving on Culver-Stockton College board of trustees since 2003. Past director of Great River Honor Flight, YMCA of Hannibal and Mark Twain Home Foundation, serving as president of the foundation for eight years. Served on Mark Twain Area United Way, 1992–2001 serving as president and campaign chair, 1999–2001. Past president and campaign chair of Mark Twain District Great Rivers Counsel, B.S.A. Received District Award of Merit, Great Rivers Counsel, B.S.A. Former member of the Missouri Bar Complaint Resolution program. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Democrat.



Circuit 11—Division 6
TERRY R. CUNDIFF

Office address: St. Charles County Courthouse, 300 N. Second St., Rm. 510, St. Charles 63301; phone (636) 949-3096.

County: St. Charles County.

Biography: Not available. Took office Jan. 1, 1995. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 11—Division 8
ERIN S. BURLISON

Office address: St. Charles County Courthouse, 300 N. Second St., Rm. 550, St. Charles 63301; phone (636) 949-7496.

County: St. Charles.

Biography: Born in St. Charles. Graduate of University of Missouri–Columbia, B.A., psychology, 2004; St. Louis University, J.D., 2007. Resides in St. Charles. Member: Missouri Bar Association; St. Charles County Bar Association and Young Lawyers Association of St. Charles County, past president. Boards: Missouri Consolidated Health Care Plan, 2011–2013; St. Charles County Boys and Girls Club, 2010–present and Enterprise Bank and Trust, 2012–present. Practiced family law and general areas of litigation prior to taking the bench. Appointed associate circuit judge, 2013. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 11—Division 9
ELIZABETH SWANN

Office address: St. Charles County Courthouse, 300 N. Second St., Rm. 410, St. Charles 63367; phone (636) 949-7497.

County: St. Charles.

Biography: Born in Magnolia, Arkansas. Graduate of Southeast Missouri State University, B.S., education; University of Missouri–Columbia, J.D. Resides in Lake St. Louis with her husband and son. Admitted to the Missouri Bar, 1982. Served as a family court commissioner in St. Charles County, 1997–2006. A member of the Family Court Committee and is currently serving as co-chair of a sub-committee reviewing guardian *ad litem* standards. Recently completed service on the Ad Hoc Committee for Videoconferencing. Member: St. Charles County and Missouri Bar associations. Has served as an associate circuit judge, 2007–present. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.

Circuit 11—Division 10

NORMAN C. STEIMEL III

Office address: St. Charles County Courthouse, 300 N. Second St., Rm. 330, St. Charles 63301; phone (636) 949-3064.

County: St. Charles.

Biography: Born in Spokane, Washington. Graduate of Washington University, A.B., 1975; J.D., 1978. Married Libby C. Toney, June 17, 1978. They have nine children. Appellate law clerk for the Hon. Douglas W. Greene, Missouri Court of Appeals, Southern District, 1979–1980. Member: Christ Presbyterian Church; The Missouri Bar; Illinois State Bar Association; Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis; St. Charles County Bar Association; Association of Family and Conciliation Courts (Missouri Chapter president, 2008–2010) and Christian Legal Society. Appointed family court commissioner, 1995. Re-appointed 1999 and 2003. Elected associate circuit judge, 2006. Retained in 2010–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 11—Division 11

PHILLIP OHLMS

Office address: St. Charles County Courthouse, 300 N. Second St., Rm. 450, St. Charles 63301; phone (636) 949-7462.

County: St. Charles.

Biography: Born in St. Charles County. Graduate of St. Mary's Junior College, A.A., 1975; University of Missouri—Columbia, B.S., B.A., 1977; J.D., 1980. Married Diana Mueller, March 24, 1984. They have four children: Grant, Mark, Paul and Abigail. Attends Assumption BVM Church in O'Fallon. Appointed drug court commissioner, 2000. Elected associate circuit judge, 2006. Retained in 2010–2018. Term expires, Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 11—Division 12

MATTHEW E.P. THORNHILL

Office address: St. Charles County Courthouse, 300 N. Second St., Rm. 440, St. Charles 63301; phone (636) 949-7486.

County: St. Charles.

Biography: Born in St. Charles. Graduate of Rockhurst College, Kansas City, B.S., B.A., 1990; Notre Dame Law School, Notre Dame, Ind., J.D., 1993. Married Heather Thornhill in 1997. They have seven children: Martha, Sophia, Lolo, Rosalinda, Calvin, Phoebe and Zera. Served as an assistant prosecutor for St. Charles County, 1993–2006. Member of Harvester Christian Church, St. Charles. Elected associate circuit judge, 2006. Retained in 2010–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 11—Division 13

CHRIS McDONOUGH

Office address: St. Charles County Courthouse, 300 N. Second St., Rm. 540, St. Charles 63301; phone (636) 949-7411.

County: St. Charles.

Biography: Born in St. Louis County, Missouri. Graduate of Maryville University, B.S.; Fontbonne University, M.B.A.; St. Louis University, J.D.. Member: The Missouri Bar; St. Charles County Bar Association; Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis; The Federalist Society; Republican National Lawyers Association; American Judges Association. Boards: Eastern Missouri Police Academy; Missouri Youth Soccer Association. Engaged in private law practice prior to taking the bench, initially with Bryan Cave LLP in St. Louis and then as founding member of The McDonough Law Firm, LLC. Former prosecuting attorney and municipal judge for several municipalities in the 11th, 12th and 21st Circuits. Elected associate circuit judge, 2020. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Republican.





Circuit 11—Division 14

BRITTNEY R. SMITH

Office address: St. Charles County Courthouse, 300 N. Second St., Rm. 430, St. Charles 63301; phone (636) 949-3073.

County: St. Charles.

Biography: Not available.



Circuit 12

LINDA R. HAMLETT

Office address: Audrain County Courthouse, 101 N. Jefferson. St., Mexico 65265; phone (573) 473-5850.

County: Audrain.

Biography: Not available. Took office Jan. 1, 1991. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Democrat.



Circuit 12

NATHAN A. CARROZ

Office address: Montgomery County Courthouse, 211 E. Third St., Montgomery City 63361; phone (573) 564-3348.

County: Montgomery.

Biography: Born in Mexico, Missouri. Graduate Hannibal-LaGrange University, B.S., history, 2008; University of Missouri–Columbia School of Law, J.D., 2011. Assistant prosecuting attorney, Montgomery County, 2011–2012. Interim prosecuting attorney, 2012–2013. Appointed prosecuting attorney by Gov. Nixon, February 2013. Elected prosecuting attorney, 2014. Retained as prosecuting attorney, 2018. Appointed associate judge by Gov. Parson, March 2021. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 12

RICHARD L. SCHEIBE

Office address: Warren County Courthouse, 104 W. Main St., Warrenton 97146; phone (503) 866-3363.

County: Warren.

Biography: Graduate of University of Missouri, B.G.S.; J.D., 1997; and M.A., 2006. Served in the U.S. Army Infantry during Desert Storm. Public defender, 1997–2013. Appointed associate circuit judge by Gov. Jeremiah (Jay) Nixon, 2013. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.

Circuit 12

MICHAEL S. WRIGHT

Office address: Warren County Courthouse, 104 W. Main St., Warrenton 63383; phone (636) 456-3363.

County: Warren.

Biography: Born in Columbia. Graduate University of Missouri–Columbia, B.S., business administration, 1982; Washburn School of Law, J.D., Topeka, Kansas, 1985. Assistant prosecuting attorney Clay County, 1985–1986. Elected prosecuting attorney Warren County, 1991–2014. President Missouri Prosecutor's Association, 2001; President National District Attorney's Association, 2012–2013. Appointed associate circuit judge by Gov. Nixon, February 2014. Elected 2014. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 13—Division 5

KIMBERLY J. SHAW

Office address: Boone County Courthouse, 705 E. Walnut St., Columbia 65201; phone (573) 886-4050.

County: Boone.

Biography: Born in Louisiana, Missouri. Graduate of David H. Hickman High School; Columbia College B.A., Business Administration, 1986; University of Missouri–Columbia School of Law, J.D., 1989. Married to Charles Brown. Began her legal career at Cape Girardeau County Public Defender Trial Office. Returned to Columbia with the Central Capital Division where she was the District Defender prior to leaving in 2000 to go into private practice. The five years prior to taking the bench she worked at the Boone County Public Defender's Trial Office. Member: Missouri Bar Association, Boone County Bar Association, Missouri Municipal and Associate Circuit Judges Association, board of directors for Missouri Association of Probate and Associate Circuit Judges. Elected 2014. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Democrat.



Circuit 13—Division 9

TRACY Z. GONZALEZ

Office address: Boone County Courthouse, 705 E. Walnut St., Columbia 65201; phone 573-886-4050.

County: Boone

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Graduate, Univ. of Wisconsin–Madison B.S. Education, 1981; St. Louis Univ. School of Law, J.D. 1984. She and husband, Tony, are the proud parents of a wonderful son. Prior to taking the bench, Gonzalez was the first asst. pros. attorney for Boone Co., 2012–18; asst. pros. attorney, Boone Co. 1995–2002; 2010–January 2012; asst. dean of admissions and student affairs, Univ. of Mo.–School of Law (2008–10), director, Child Protection Clinic, Univ. of Mo.–School of Law (2002–06); professor of criminal justice, Lincoln Univ. (2006–08) and asst. public defender, St. Louis City (1985–90). Was a member of the founding Drug Court Programs, Palm Beach Co., Florida (1990–94), and Boone Co. Member: Missouri Bar Assoc., Boone Co. Bar Assoc., Missouri Municipal and Associate Judges Assoc., Missouri Assoc. of Probate and Associate Circuit Judges. Elected 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Democrat.



Circuit 13—Division 10

LESLIE SCHNEIDER

Office address: Boone County Courthouse, 705 E. Walnut St., Columbia 65201; phone (573) 886-4050.

County: Boone.

Biography: Born in Ames, Iowa. Graduated from Kirksville High School, 1973; University of Missouri–Columbia, B.A., 1976; and J.D., 1979. Married Thomas Schneider, 1979, and they have two children, Julia and Scott. Assistant attorney general, 1979–1983; municipal judge, City of Columbia, 1987–1996, private practice, 1983–2006. Supreme Court Access to Family Courts Committee. Member: Family Court committee. Adjunct professor, University of Missouri–Columbia School of Law, 2008–2013. Elected 2006. Retained in 2010 and 2014. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Democrat.





Circuit 13–Division 11

STEPHANIE M. MORRELL

Office address: Boone County Courthouse, 705 E. Walnut St., Columbia 65201; phone (573) 886-4050.

County: Boone.

Biography: Graduate of Beloit High School Beloit, Kansas. 1993; B.A. in Psychology University of Kansas, 1997; University of Kansas School of Law J.D., 2000. She lives in Columbia with her two sons. Prior to taking the bench, Judge Morrell was an assistant prosecutor for Boone County, 2007–2018; an assistant attorney general for the State of Missouri, 2000–2006 and the City of Sturgeon prosecutor, 2016–2018. She also serves adjunct faculty at Columbia College where she teaches a variety of law related courses. She is a member of the Missouri Association of Probate and Associate Circuit Judges. Elected 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Democrat.



Circuit 13–Division 6

CAROL ENGLAND

Office address: Callaway County Courthouse, 10 E. Fifth St., Fulton 65251; phone (573) 642-0777.

County: Callaway.

Biography: Born in Kewanee, Illinois. Graduate of Columbia College, B.A.; Lincoln University, M.A.; and University of Missouri School of Law, J.D. Employed as a police officer before and while attending law school, then worked as an assistant prosecuting attorney for the Callaway County prosecutor's office immediately after law school. Member: Missouri Bar Association; Callaway County Bar Association, treasurer; Ebenezer Baptist Church in Fulton; Fulton Rotary Club; and Callaway County Chapter of the American Red Cross, board member. Elected associate circuit judge, 2006. Retained in 2010–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Democrat.



Circuit 13–Division 7

SUE M. CRANE

Office address: Callaway County Courthouse, 10 E. Fifth St., Fulton 65251; phone (573) 642-0777.

County: Callaway.

Biography: Graduate of Rock Bridge High School, Columbia; University of Missouri, B.S., animal science; and University of Missouri, J.D., 1989. Assistant public defender, 1989–1993. Engaged in private practice from 1993 until elected. Partner in Brady & Crane LLC. During that time, served on the Callaway County Drug Court Team, Certified Mediator. Founder and director of CrossWind Ranch, a non-profit organization for kids. Past member of various boards. Past president of the Callaway County Bar Association. Elected 2014. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 14

MASON R. GEBHARDT

Office address: Howard County Courthouse, #1 Courthouse Sq., Fayette 65248; phone (660) 248-3326.

County: Howard.

Biography: Born at Keller Hospital, Fayette. Graduate of University of Missouri–Columbia, bachelor's degree, 1992; University of Missouri–Kansas City School of Law, J.D., 1996. Resides with his daughter Olivia in Fayette. Private practice in Fayette, 1997–2010. Howard County prosecuting attorney, 1999–2010. Elected associate circuit judge in Howard County, 2010. Retained in 2014 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.

Circuit 14

JAMES M. COOKSEY

Office address: Randolph County Justice Center, 372 Hwy. JJ, Ste. 1A., Huntsville 65259; phone (660) 277-6555.

County: Randolph.

Biography: Born in Moberly. Graduate of Moberly High School, William Jewell College and University of Missouri–School of Law. Married to Sherry and they have two children. Private law practice, 1980–1983 and 2003–2017. Missouri Probate and Associate Circuit Judges Association, past president, 1993–1994; Randolph County Bar Association, past president; National Board Chair of the Association of Community College Trustees 2021–2022; Moberly Area Community College Board of Trustees, president; Moberly Rotary Club, past president; Coates Street Presbyterian Church; Appointed associate circuit judge, 1983. Retained: 1984–2002. Appointed associate circuit judge, 2017. Elected 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 15

KELLY HALFORD ROSE

Office address: Lafayette County Courthouse–Lafayette Hall, 116 S. 10th St., PO Box 10, Lexington 64067; phone (660) 259-6101.

County: Lafayette.

Biography: Graduate of University of Missouri–Kansas City, administration of justice, 1984; J.D., 1987. Associate attorney in Kansas City firm practicing in products liability defense. Assistant prosecuting attorney, Lafayette County, 1991–1993. Private practice—civil and criminal, 1991–2014. Municipal and prosecuting attorney for several municipalities in Lafayette County, 1993–2011. Judge for several municipalities in Jackson, Lafayette and Saline Counties, 2000–2014. Elected associate circuit judge, 2014. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 15

RUSSELL J. KRUSE

Office address: Lafayette County Courthouse–Lafayette Hall, 116 S. 10th St., PO Box 10, Lexington 64067; phone (660) 259-6101.

County: Lafayette.

Biography: Born in Iowa. Education: St. Paul's College, Concordia, A.A. degree, 1981; Univ. of Mo.–Col., B.A., pol. science, 1983, J.D., 1986. Law prac., 1986–2014; broker-partner, Show-Me Realty & Title Ins. Co., 1992–08; civics teacher, 1987–2014. Member: Lafayette Co. Bar, 2004–pres., sec., 2015; 10th Jud. Cir. Bar, 1986–pres., past pres., 2006; Mo. Bar, 1986–pres.; Ill. Bar, 1987–2014 (inactive); Mo. U.S. Dist. Cts & bankruptcy cts., 1986–2014; Central U.S. Dist. Ct. & bankruptcy crt., Ill., 1990–2014; Eighth Cir. Ct. of Appeals, 1991–2014; U.S. Supreme Ct., 1999–2014; Mo. Assoc. of Probate & Assoc. Cir. Judges, 2015–17; Legal Svcs., NE Mo. bd., 1987–89, MATA, 1988–93. LCMS Mo. Dist. bd., 2012–pres.; St. Paul Lutheran High bd., 2013–pres.; Concordia Lion's Club, 2004–pres.; Lafayette Children's Svcs. bd., 2004–16; LCE Inc. bd., 2005–14, VP, 2012–13, chair, 2014; I-70 Med. Center Fndn., 2012–14; Luther Manor Nursing Home bd., 1991–93 & 2002–04, Nutrition Center bd., 1987–89; Kiwanis, 1988–93; St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Mo. Synod. Mo. S. Ct. Cmte. on Access to Family Cts., 2016–present. Associate circuit judge, 2015–present. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 15

HUGH C. HARVEY

Office address: Saline County Courthouse, 19 E. Arrow, Rm. 302, Marshall 65340; phone (660) 886-8808.

County: Saline.

Biography: Graduate of Oral Roberts University, B.S., in business management, 1977–1981; Drake University, 1982–1985, J.D./MBA. Saline County prosecuting attorney, 1987–1998. Saline County associate circuit judge, 2000–present. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Democrat.





Circuit 15

WM. PAGE BELLAMY

Office address: Saline County Courthouse, 19 E. Arrow, Rm. 303, Marshall 65340; phone (660) 886-6988.

County: Saline.

Biography: Graduate of Westminster College, B.A. in Economics, 1981–1985; University of Missouri–Kansas City, 1985–1988, J.D. Assistant public defender, 1989–1994; Lafayette County prosecuting attorney, 1995–2009; chief counsel, Public Safety Division, Missouri Attorney General's Office, 2009–2012; chief deputy prosecutor, Jackson County Prosecuting Attorney's Office, 2012–2015. Saline County associate circuit judge, 2016–present. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Democrat.



Circuit 16—Division 25

JESSICA AGNELLY

Office address: Justice Complex, 1315 Locust St., Second Fl., Kansas City 64106; phone (816) 881-3679.

County: Jackson.

Biography: Graduate of Avila College, 2002 and Univ. of Missouri–Kansas City School of Law, 2005. Served as a judicial law clerk for the Hon. Michael W. Farrell at the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, 2005–06 and the Hon. Ronald Holliger at the Missouri Court of Appeals, Western District, 2006–07. Practiced civil litigation in the areas of personal injury, product liability, mass tort, medical malpractice, civil rights and sexual assault. Awards: Women's Justice in Litigation and Rising Star; Missouri's Up & Coming Attorneys, Missouri Lawyers Weekly; Best of the Bar, Kansas City Business Journal, Missouri–Kansas

Super Lawyer, Natl. Trial Lawyers Top 40 Under 40 attorneys in Missouri, and top 50 Women Lawyers in Missouri and Kansas by Thompson Reuters/Super Lawyers. Serves on the board of directors, Association for Women Lawyers of Greater Kansas City and as a mentor in Assoc. for Women Lawyers of Greater Kansas City Foundation's Denise Henning Connections Program. Appointed 2020. Term expires 2022. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 16—Division 26

R. TRAVIS WILLINGHAM

Office address: Jackson County Courthouse, 415 E. 12th St., Kansas City 64106; phone (816) 881-3686.

County: Jackson.

Biography: Born in Normandy, Missouri. Raised in Warren County and a graduate of Wright City High School in 1992; University of Missouri, B.S., Fisheries and Wildlife Management, 1999; University of Missouri–Kansas City Law School, J.D., 2004. At the time of his appointment, he was serving as the chief deputy county counselor for Jackson County. Appointed by Governor Michael L. Parson on, Dec. 18, 2019. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 16—Division 27

KEA S. BIRD-RILEY

Office address: Jackson County Courthouse, 415 E. 12th St., Kansas City 64106; phone (816) 881-3691.

County: Jackson.

Biography: A 2007 graduate of the Univ. of Missouri–Kansas City Law School. Earned a B.S. in communications, with an emphasis in public relations and a minor in business, degree, 1998, Mississippi College, Clinton, Miss.. Served as family court commissioner, div. 41, appointed, March 16, 2018, by the Jackson County Circuit Court. She oversaw the Family Drug Court in addition to other dockets related to juvenile matters. Was an attorney with Krigel & Krigel, P.C., her legal practice covered dissolutions, custody modifications, adoptions, child abuse and neglect, paternity, protective orders and litigating insurance matters. Served as a mediator in family law matters, was a presenter for Guardian ad Litem training seminars, worked as a marketing and public relations executive prior to law school. Member: Jackson County Bar Association, Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association and the Missouri Bar Association. Appointed associate circuit judge, Dec. 23, 2020 by Gov. Michael Parson. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Nonpartisan.

Circuit 16—Division 28

JEFFREY C. KEAL

Office address: Jackson County Courthouse Annex, 308 W. Kansas, Independence 64050; phone (816) 881-4606.

County: Jackson.

Biography: Born/raised in Independence. Graduate, Van Horn High School; Univ. of Mo.—Kansas City, B.A., bus. admin., 1982; Univ. of Mo.—Kansas City, J.D., 1986. Solo practitioner, 1986–88. Associate with Crews, Smart, Whitehead & Waits, 1988–91. Jackson County prosecutor's office, 1991–2013; chief warrant officer, trial team leader and handled cases including assaults, robberies, white collar and property crimes. Warrant officer of the year and received certificate of appreciation from U.S. Secret Service for collaborative work in white collar crime prosecutions. Member: Missouri Bar, Kansas City Metropolitan Bar and Eastern Jackson County Bar associations; Association for Women Lawyers; Firefighters Local Number 42; Kansas City Curling Club and lifetime member of BCAS. Involved with the community and spent many years coaching youth sports (softball, basketball and baseball). Appointed 2013. Retained in 2016. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 16—Division 29

JANETTE K. RODECAP

Office address: Jackson County Courthouse, 415 E. 12th St., Kansas City 64106; phone (816) 881-3735.

County: Jackson.

Biography: Born in Decorah, Iowa. Graduate of Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill., B.A.; University of Iowa College of Law, J.D., 2001. Served as a law clerk for the Hon. Nanette K. Laughrey, U.S. District Court Judge for the Western District of Missouri, 2001–2003. Court counsel for the Palau Supreme Court in Koror, Palau, 2003–2004. Assistant state attorney in Fort Myers, Florida, 2005–2006. Assistant prosecuting attorney in Jackson County, 2006–2014. Member: Missouri Bar Association, Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association and Association of Women Lawyers. Married with two children. Appointed associate circuit judge, May 28, 2014. Retained: 2016 and 2020. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 16—Division 30

TWILA K. RIGBY

Office address: Jackson County Courthouse Annex, 308 W. Kansas, Independence 64050; phone (816) 881-4506.

County: Jackson.

Biography: Born in Urbana. Graduate of Missouri State University, B.S., education, *magna cum laude*, 1975; M.Ed.; and University of Missouri–Kansas City Law School, J.D., 1988. Jackson County prosecutor's office, 1987–1997. Appointed associate circuit judge, 1997. Retained in 1998–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 16—Division 31

MARY F. WEIR

Office address: Jackson County Courthouse, 415 E. 12th St., Kansas City 64106; phone (816) 881-3542.

County: Jackson.

Biography: Born in Buffalo, New York. Graduate of Mount Mercy Academy, Buffalo, N.Y., 1979; Univ. of Mo.—Kansas City, B.A., pol. science, 1991; Washburn School of Law, Topeka, Kansas, J.D., 1995. Worked as a law clerk, div. 31 of the 16th Judicial Circuit Court for the Hon. Christine Sill-Rogers, Sept. 1995–April 1998. Assistant Missouri state public defender, Kansas City office, 1998–2001. Began working as a contract attorney in 2001 with Hope House, Inc., providing representation to victims of domestic violence and their children until her appointment to the bench. Also represented juveniles and parents in the Jackson County Family Court through her work as of counsel with the Raith Law Firm until her appointment. Adjunct professor of law at the Univ. of Mo.—Kansas City School of Law since 2004. Appointed associate circuit judge, May 2013. Retained in 2014 and 2018. Term expires in Dec. 31, 2022. Nonpartisan.





Circuit 16—Division 32

KYNDRA J. STOCKDALE

Office address: Jackson County Courthouse Annex, 308 W. Kansas, Independence 64050; phone (816) 881-4518.

County: Jackson.

Biography: Attended the University of Kansas and graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science, 2000 and a J.D., 2003. Judge Stockdale was a senior attorney with the law firm of Foland, Wickens, Roper, Hofer & Crawford. She practiced in the areas of civil litigation, commercial and business litigation and insurance coverage. Prior to that, she was with the firm of Horn, Aylward & Bandy and her practice included civil litigation and medical malpractice. Stockdale served as an assistant prosecutor with the Jackson County Prosecutor's Office, 2005–2012. Appointed associate circuit judge, Feb. 1, 2019, by Gov. Michael Parson. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 16—Division 33

JEFFREY L. BUSHUR

Office address: Jackson County Courthouse Annex, 308 W. Kansas, Independence 64050; phone (816) 881-1783.

County: Jackson.

Biography: Graduate of University of Missouri–Kansas City, B.A., philosophy and communication student, 1983; J.D., 1986. U.S. Army, 1975–1978. Married with two children. Served as an assistant prosecutor in the Jackson County Prosecuting Attorney's Office, 1985–2000. Named Jackson County Prosecutor of the Year, 1991 and 1995. CLE lecturer for Missouri Office of Prosecution Services, 1990–1999; lecturer for Central Missouri State University law enforcement program, 1986–2000. Member of Trial Judge Education Committee; ASTAR Judge Program and Trial Judge Education lecturer. Appointed June 2000. Retained in 2002–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 16—Division 34

SUSAN E. LONG

Office address: Jackson County Courthouse Annex, 308 W. Kansas, Independence 64050; phone (816) 881-4623.

County: Jackson.

Biography: Born in Hannibal. Graduate of Blue Springs Missouri High School, 1983; University of Missouri–Kansas City, B.A., English, 1987; University of Missouri–Kansas City School of Law, J.D., 1989. Member: Missouri Bar, Missouri Probate and Assoc. Circuit Court Judge Assoc., Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Assoc., Eastern Jackson County Bar Assoc. and Assoc. of Women Lawyers. Appointed by the Missouri Supreme Court in 2015 to serve on the Supreme Court Family Court Committee. Practiced law in Blue Springs and Liberty before serving as Family Court Commissioner in Jackson County. Appointed associate circuit judge, 2015. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 17

J. MICHAEL RUMLEY

Office address: Cass County Justice Center, 2501 W. Mechanic, Harrisonville 64701; phone (816) 380-8217.

County: Cass.

Biography: Born in Kansas City, Kansas. Graduate of Park University, B.A., public administration, 1980 and University of Missouri–Kansas City, J.D., 1984. Engaged in private law practice, 1984–2010. Adjunct professor of law, University of Missouri–Kansas City, 1985–2000. Raymore municipal judge, December 2008–December 2010. Member: Cass County Bar Association; The Order of Barristers; Missouri Farm Bureau; Ray-Pec Optimist Club; and Raymore, Belton, Peculiar and Pleasant Hill chambers of commerce. Elected 2010. Retained in 2014 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.

Circuit 17

STACEY J. LETT

Office address: Cass County Justice Center, 2501 W. Mechanic, Harrisonville 64701; phone (816) 380-8230.

County: Cass.

Biography: Born in Longmont, Colorado. Graduate of University of Central Missouri, B.S., criminal justice, 2000; National Police Academy, 2000; Creighton University School of Law, J.D., *cum laude*, 2003. Husband, Chris and sons, Grayson and Gunner. Raymore municipal judge, January 2011–December 2014. Engaged in private law practice, 2003–2014. Member: Cass County Bar Association, Kansas City, Missouri Bar Association, Cass County Youth Court, board member, Crossover Youth Initiative Project, Municipal & Associate Circuit Court Judges Association, board member, Fine Collection Center Committee and Raymore–Peculiar Optimist Club. Elected 2014. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 17

JEFF COX

Office address: Cass County Justice Center, 2501 W. Mechanic, Harrisonville 64701; phone (816) 380-8704.

County: Cass.

Biography: Born in Kansas City. Graduate of Raymore–Peculiar High School, 1993; University of Missouri–Columbia, B.A., political science and philosophy, 1997; University of Missouri–Kansas City, J.D., 2003. Attorney in private practice of law, 2003–2018. Raymore council member, 2007–2012. Cass County presiding commissioner, 2013–2018. Member: Missouri Bar Association, Cass County Bar Association, Missouri Municipal and Associate Circuit Judges Association and Missouri Association of Probate and Associate Circuit Judges. Elected associate circuit judge, 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 17

JASON HOWELL

Office address: Cass County Justice Center, 2501 W. Mechanic, Harrisonville 64701; phone (816) 380-8704.

County: Cass.

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Graduate of DePaul University, B.A. Philosophy, 1996, University of Kansas City School of Law, J.D., 2004. Married Renee Leeds, Nov. 10, 2012. Assistant prosecuting attorney, Phelps County, 2007–2008; assistant prosecuting attorney, Cass County, 2008–2011, Cass County Prosecuting Attorney's Office, director of child support enforcement, 2012–2017; associate attorney at South & Associates, P.C., Overland Park, Kan., 2011–2012. Member: Ray-Pec Optimist Club, Cass County Bar Association. Appointed associate circuit judge, 2017. Elected 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 17

BRENT F. TEICHMAN

Office address: Johnson County Justice Center, 101 W. Market St., Warrensburg 64093; phone (660) 422-7405.

County: Johnson.

Biography: Born in Lexington, Missouri. Graduate of Warrensburg High School, 1993; Central Missouri State University, B.A. History and Political Science, *summa cum laude*, 1998; University of Missouri School of Law, J.D., 2001. Wife, Molly, and children, Jackson, Emma and Lillianne. Member: Missouri Bar Association, Johnson County Bar Association, Lafayette County Bar Association, MO Association of Probate and Associate Circuit Judges, Warrensburg Chamber of Commerce, Missouri Farm Bureau. Engaged in private law practice, 2001–2018. Elected 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.





Circuit 17
SUE DODSON

Office address: Johnson County Justice Center, 101 W. Market St., Warrensburg 64093; phone (660) 422-7410.

County: Johnson.

Biography: Born in Kansas City. Graduate of University of Central Missouri, B.S.; University of Missouri–Kansas City, J.D. Member: *UMKC Law Review*, Warrensburg and Holden chambers of commerce, Missouri Bar Association, Missouri Farm Bureau and Missouri Association of Probate and Associate Circuit Judges. Elected associate circuit judge, 2006. Retained: 2010, 2014 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 18
KEITH M. BAIL

Office address: Cooper County Courthouse, 200 Main, Rm. 31, Boonville 65233; phone (660) 882-5604.

County: Cooper.

Biography: Born in Boonville. Graduate of the University of Missouri College of Agriculture, agricultural economics, 1984; University of Missouri School of Law, J.D., 1993. Married Catherine Reynolds, March 23, 1996. They have two sons. Law clerk to late Judge Robert W. Berrey III, Missouri Court of Appeals, Western District, 1993–1995; private practice, 1995–1996 and assistant prosecuting attorney, Boone County, 1996–2006. Member: United Church of Christ; Masonic Lodge; Shriners; Chamber of Commerce and Rotary Club. Elected 2006. Retained in 2010–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 18
R. PAUL BEARD II

Office address: Pettis County Courthouse, 415 S. Ohio, Sedalia 65301; phone (660) 826-5000, ext. 926.

County: Pettis.

Biography: Born in Missouri. Graduate of Brigham Young University, B.A., 1993; University of Missouri–Columbia, J.D., 1997. Partner in the law firm of Beard & Associates, LLP, 1997–2005. Married Stacey Hill, 1993, they have six children. Member: Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, Boy Scouts of America, Paul Klover Soccer Association and Pettis County Stepping Up Initiative. Appointed associate circuit judge, 2005. Elected associate circuit judge, 2006. Retained: 2010, 2014 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 18
JEFF A. MITTELHAUSER

Office address: Pettis County Courthouse, 415 S. Ohio, Sedalia 65301; phone (660) 826-5000, ext. 924.

County: Pettis.

Biography: Born in Sedalia. Graduate of Central Missouri State University, 1978 and University of Missouri–Columbia School of Law, 1981. Married to Maria; two children. Served as public defender for Pettis, Cooper, Morgan and Moniteau Counties, 1981–1982; assistant prosecutor for Pettis County, 1982–1986 and Pettis County prosecuting attorney, 1987–2014. Member: Georgetown United Methodist Church. Elected associate circuit judge, 2014. Retained: 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.

Circuit 19—Division 4

CHRISTOPHER K. LIMBAUGH

Office address: Cole County Courthouse, 301 E. High St., PO Box 1870, Jefferson City 65102; phone (573) 659-3609.

County: Cole.

Biography: Received his law degree from the University of Missouri—Columbia School of Law, and his bachelor degrees from Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas. Served as the elected prosecuting attorney in Cape Girardeau County for over five years and served on Governor Parson's senior staff as his chief legal advisor and general counsel. Appointed associate circuit judge for the 19th Judicial Circuit in February of 2021, by Governor Michael L. Parson. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 19—Division 5

BRIAN STUMPE

Office address: Cole County Courthouse, 301 E. High St., PO Box 1870, Jefferson City 65102; phone (573) 659-2300.

County: Cole.

Biography: Not available. Elected associate circuit judge, 2020. Republican.



Circuit 20

DAVID L. HOVEN

Office address: Franklin Judicial Center, 401 E. Main St., Rm. 100B, Union 63084; phone (636) 583-7332.

County: Franklin.

Biography: Born at Scott Air Force Base, Belleville, Illinois. Married Janet Jones, Sept. 8, 1979; they have two children. Graduate of St. Joseph's College (Ind.), B.A., 1974; Pepperdine University School of Law, J.D., 1977. Engaged in private practice, 1978–2005. Member: Chamber of Commerce; Lions Club; California Bar Association and Our Lady of Lourdes parish, Washington. Appointed 2005. Elected 2006. Retained in 2010–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Democrat.



Circuit 20

JOSEPH W. PURSCHKE

Office address: Franklin County Judicial Center, 401 E. Main St., Rm. 100C, Union 63084; phone (636) 583-6316.

County: Franklin.

Biography: Born in Missouri. Graduate of Union High School, East Central College, Missouri State University, *cum laude* and the University of Missouri—Columbia, J.D., 2000. Married Julie Wehmeier. Three children: Natasha, Maxwell and Cooper. Private practice of law, 2000–2018; assistant Franklin County counselor, 2000–2018; Warren County counselor, 2013–2017; Owensville city attorney, 2004–2012; Gerald city attorney, 2008–2016. Union Fire Protection District, 2013–2018, Boy Scouts Osage District, chair, 2014–2018. All Abilities Athletics, chair, 2017–pres., Missouri Junior College Alumni of the Year, 2013. Member: Knights of Columbus, Union Lions Club, East Central College Foundation. Missouri Probate and Associate Circuit Judge's Association. Elected associate circuit judge, 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.





Circuit 20

STANLEY D. WILLIAMS

Office address: Franklin County Judicial Center, 401 E. Main, Rm. 100C, Union 63084; phone (636) 583-6330.

County: Franklin.

Biography: Born in Cuba. Educated at East Central College, Union; University of Missouri–Columbia, A.B., *cum laude*, 1978; UCLA Law School, J.D., 1981. Married to Debbie Williams. Engaged in private practice, Franklin County, 1981–1996. Past municipal judge, St. Clair. Member: Pacific Presbyterian Church, Missouri Bar Association and 20th Judicial Circuit Bar. Serves as Franklin County drug court judge. Appointed associate circuit judge, 1996. Elected 1996. Retained in 1998–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Democrat.



Circuit 20

ADA BREHE-KRUEGER

Office address: Gasconade County Courthouse, 119 E. First St., Rm. 3, Hermann 65041; phone (573) 486-2321.

County: Gasconade.

Biography: Born in Hermann. Graduate of the University of Missouri–Columbia, B.S., agricultural economics; University of Missouri–Columbia School of Law, J.D., 1997. Married Paul Krueger, 1997, they have six girls. Served as Gasconade County prosecuting attorney, 1999–2014. Member of Zion St. Paul's United Church of Christ. Appointed associate circuit judge, 2014. Elected 2014. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 20

SONYA D. BRANDT

Office address: Osage County Courthouse, PO Box 825, Linn 65051; phone (573) 897-3114.

County: Osage.

Biography: Born in Farmington. Married Alfred Brandt, 2007; they have one son. Graduate of Southeast Missouri State University, B.S. in Education, *Magna Cum Laude*, 1993; University of Missouri–Columbia School of Law, J.D., 1999. Engaged in private practice from 1999–2020. Appointed associate circuit court judge in 2020. Elected 2020. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 21—Division 31

NICOLE S. ZELLWEGER

Office address: St. Louis County Courts Bldg., 105 S. Central Ave., Clayton 63105; phone (314) 615-1531.

County: St. Louis.

Biography: Graduate University of Georgia, *magna cum laude*, December 1999; Yale University Divinity School, Master of Arts, 2001; Washington University, St. Louis, graduating Order of the Coif, 2004. Was a partner with Stinson Leonard Street LLP. Her practice focused on business litigation with concentration in the areas of franchise law, trust and estate litigation. She is chair, trial section, Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis and board member, Mound City Bar Foundation. Member: St. Louis County Bar Association, Women Lawyers' Association of St. Louis, Missouri, Kansas and Illinois Bar. Frequent

author and speaker on legal topics, with numerous national publication credits. Was named an “Up & Coming” attorney by *Missouri Lawyers Media* and has been recognized numerous times as a “Rising Star” by Super Lawyers. Appointed associate circuit judge, April 2018, by Gov. Eric Greitens. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.

Circuit 21—Division 32

JULIA P. LASATER

Office address: St. Louis County Courts Bldg., 105 S. Central Ave., Clayton 63105; phone (314) 615-1532.

County: St. Louis.

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Graduate of McCluer North High School, 1988; Maryville University, B.A., *magna cum laude*, 1992; St. Louis University School of Law, J.D., 1995. Married with two children. Worked in private practice in St. Louis County, 1995–2005, practicing in the areas of civil litigation and family law. Worked as an assistant prosecuting attorney in St. Louis County, 2005 until her appointment to the bench. Member: Missouri Bar (Board of Governors, 2018–present; Young Lawyers’ Section Council, 2002–2006); The St. Louis County Bar Association (President, 2014); Women Lawyers’ Association of Greater St. Louis; Lawyers Association of St. Louis; Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis and Boy Scouts of America (2011–present). Appointed associate circuit judge by Gov. Mike Parson. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 21—Division 33

HEATHER R. CUNNINGHAM

Office address: St. Louis County Courts Bldg., 105 S. Central Ave., Clayton 63105; phone (314) 615-1533.

County: St. Louis.

Biography: Graduate of Bradley University, B.S., in Political Science and History with honors; St. Louis University School of Law. Lives in St. Louis County with her family. Engaged in private practice, 1999–2004; chief legal counsel for 20th Circuit Juvenile Office, 2004–2010; staff attorney for 21st Circuit Juvenile Office, 2010–2016; adjunct professor, St. Louis Community College-Meramec, 2011–2016. Member: Missouri Bar, St. Louis County Bar Association, Bar of Metropolitan St. Louis, Women’s Lawyer Association of Greater St. Louis, Mound City Bar Association. Appointed family court commissioner by the 21st Judicial Circuit Court *en banc* March 2016–February 2020; retained unanimously by the 21st Judicial Circuit Court *en banc* February 2020. Appointed associate circuit judge, March 6, 2020, by Gov. Michael Parson. Term expires, Dec. 31, 2022. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 21—Division 34

AMANDA BUNDREN McNELLEY

Office address: St. Louis County Court Bldg., 105 S. Central Ave., Clayton 63105; phone (314) 615-1534.

County: St. Louis.

Biography: Not available. Appointed associate circuit judge, 2019. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 21—Division 35

LORNE J. BAKER

Office address: St. Louis County Court Bldg., 105 S. Central Ave., Clayton 63105; phone (314) 615-1535.

County: St. Louis.

Biography: He received his bachelor of arts degree in political science from the University of Michigan, 1990, and his J.D. from the University of Missouri–Columbia School of Law, 1993. After graduating from law school, Baker served as an assistant public defender in St. Louis City, 1994–1999. Appointed on Oct. 31, 2016, as an administrative law judge in St. Louis County. Member: Lawyers Association of St. Louis. Appointed associate circuit judge by Gov. Mike Parson, 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024.





Circuit 21—Division 36

JOSEPH L. GREEN

Office address: St. Louis County Court Bldg., 105 S. Central Ave., Clayton 63105; phone (314) 615-1536.

County: St. Louis.

Biography: Born in St. Louis County. Truman State University, B.S., 1982; St. Louis University School of Law, J.D., 1989. Married with four children, three grandchildren. Served as assistant public defender, Buchanan County, 1988–1989; chief trial attorney, St. Louis County, 1990–1991; capital litigation, Eastern Division, 1991–1993. Associate of Wittner, Poger, Rosenblum and Spewak, LLC, 1993–1996. Partner of Bearveldt, Bagsby, Lee & Green, LLC, 1996–2004. Principal of Leritz, Plunkert & Bruning, P.C., 2004–2011. Sole proprietor, Joseph L. Green, LLC, 2011–2016. Member: Catholic Church, St. Louis County Bar Assoc. and Bar Assoc. of Metropolitan St. Louis. Appointed associate circuit judge, February 2016. Retained: 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 21—Division 37

JEFFREY P. MEDLER

Office address: St. Louis County Court Bldg., 105 S. Central Ave., Clayton 63105; phone (314) 615-1537.

County: St. Louis.

Biography: Not available. Appointed associate circuit judge, 2020. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 21—Division 38

JOHN R. LASATER

Office address: St. Louis County Court Bldg., 105 S. Central Ave., Clayton 63105; phone (314) 615-1538.

County: St. Louis.

Biography: Born in St. Louis County. Graduate of University of Wisconsin–Madison, B.S., 1988; Washington University School of Law, J.D., 1991. Married with two children. Law clerk to the Hon. Carl R. Gaertner of the Missouri Court of Appeals, Eastern District, 1991–93. Served as assistant prosecuting attorney, St. Louis County, 1993–2017. Member: The Missouri Bar (board of governors: 2010–present); St. Louis County Bar Association (president: 2007) and Lawyers Association of St. Louis (president: 2015–16). Appointed associate circuit judge, May 2017. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 21—Division 39

ELLEN W. DUNNE

Office address: St. Louis County Court Bldg., 105 S. Central Ave., Clayton 63105; phone (314) 615-1539.

County: St. Louis.

Biography: Born in St. Louis County. Graduate of University of Missouri, B.A., 1983; St. Louis University School of Law, J.D., *cum laude*, 1990. Married with three children. Engaged in private practice, 1991–2016, Member: Catholic Church; Missouri Bar, St. Louis County Bar Association; Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis and Women Lawyers Association of Greater St. Louis. Appointed associate circuit judge, December 2016. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Nonpartisan.

Circuit 21—Division 40

JOHN F. NEWSHAM

Office address: St. Louis County Court Bldg., 105 S. Central Ave., Clayton 63105; phone (314) 615-1540.

County: St. Louis.

Biography: Graduate Rosary High School, 1977; St. Louis University, May 1981; St. Louis University, 1984. Resides in St. Louis County with his family. Was a partner with Dill, Bamvakais & Newsham, P.C. Legal practice focused on criminal defense and administrative license issues, practiced in many other areas over his 33 years. Previously served with the State Public Defender and served as public defender, St. Louis County Municipal Court. Former municipal judge, City of Crestwood and member, Crestwood-Sunset Hills Kiwanis Group. Published an article in the *Missouri Bar Journal*, 2010, contributing author to the *MOBarCLE Deskbook on DWI*. Previously recognized for Outstanding Leadership and Dedication to MoBarCLE for making substantial contributions to the continuing legal education of Missouri's attorneys. Appointed associate circuit judge, March 2018, by Gov. Eric Greitens. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 21—Division 41

VIRGINIA LAY

Office address: St. Louis County Court Bldg., 100 S. Central Ave., Clayton 63105; phone (314) 615-1541.

County: St. Louis.

Biography: Graduate Columbia University, B.A., with honors in American Studies, 1990 and Washington University School of Law, 1993. Lives in St. Louis County with her family. Served as: assistant circuit attorney, St. Louis, 1993–1997; assistant prosecutor, Jackson County, 1998–1999; handled civil and criminal cases on behalf of the Attorney General, State of Missouri; adjunct professor, Washington University School of Law; special assistant circuit attorney, 2012–2019, Missouri Division of Employment Security. Private practice, 2002–2017. Serves on the board of Unleashing Potential. Member: Missouri Bar Association and its Criminal Practice and Procedure Committee, the Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis and the St. Louis County Bar Association. Appointed associate circuit judge, April 1, 2019, by Gov. Michael L. Parson. Term expires Dec. 31, 2020. Retained: 2020. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 21—Division 42

ROBERT M. HEGGIE

Office address: St. Louis County Court Bldg., 105 S. Central Ave., Clayton 63105; phone (314) 615-1542.

County: St. Louis.

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Graduate of University of Missouri–Columbia, B.S., accountancy, 1985; St. Louis University School of Law, J.D., 1991. Engaged in private practice, 1991 until his appointment to the bench. General counsel, The Children's Home Society of Missouri, 1994–2015. Member: Mary Queen of Peace Parish. Appointed associate circuit judge by Gov. Jeremiah (Jay) Nixon, 2015. Retained: 2016 and 2020. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 21—Division 43

MONDONNA L. GHASEDI

Office address: St. Louis County Court Bldg., 105 S. Central Ave., Clayton 63105; phone (314) 615-1543.

County: St. Louis.

Biography: Born in St. Louis County. Graduate of Southern Methodist University, B.A. English and B.A. political science with distinction, 1996; University of Missouri–Columbia School of Law, J.D., 1999. Engaged in private practice, 1999–2016. Member: Missouri Bar; Mound City Bar Association; St. Louis County Bar Association and Women Lawyer's Association. Appointed associate circuit judge, October 2016. Retained: 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Nonpartisan.





Circuit 21—Division 44

MATTHEW HEARNE

Office address: St. Louis County Court Bldg., 105 S. Central Ave., Clayton 63105; phone (314) 615-1544.

County: St. Louis.

Biography: Not available. Appointed associate circuit judge, 2019. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 22—Division 16

THOMAS A. MCCARTHY

Office address: Carnahan Courthouse, 1114 Market St., St. Louis 63101; phone (314) 622-4536.

City of St. Louis.

Biography: Graduate of St. Louis University School of Law, J.D., 2004. Truman State University, B.S., 2001. Engaged in private practice at Husch & Eppenger (now Husch Blackwell), 2004–2008. Assistant St. Louis County prosecutor, 2008–2014. Assistant St. Louis City counselor, 2014–2016. Law office of Christine Alsop / Tucker Allen, LLC, 2016–2018. Professional memberships include: The Missouri Bar; Illinois Bar; National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys. Appointed associate circuit judge, May 18, 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024.



Circuit 22—Division 24 & 29

NICOLE COLBERT-BOTCHWAY

Office address: Carnahan Courthouse, 1114 Market St., St. Louis 63101; phone (314) 613-3185.

City of St. Louis.

Biography: Born in St. Louis City. Graduate of Rosati-Kain High School; St. Louis University, B.A.; St. Louis University School of Law, J.D.; University of Missouri–St. Louis, M.B.A. Served as an administrative hearing commissioner, 2014. Former assistant attorney general, unit leader, 2004–2014. Assistant circuit attorney for St. Louis City, 1998–2004. Elected to the Missouri Bar Board of Governors, 2012–2016 and has served in several bar and community leadership roles. Membership/associations: Saint Alphonsus Liguori; “Rock” Catholic Church; American Bar Association; Missouri Bar Association;

National Bar Association–Judicial Council; Mound City Bar Association; Women Lawyer’s Association of Greater St. Louis; Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis; and Lawyers Association of St. Louis. Appointed associate circuit judge, July 2, 2015. Retained 2016 and 2020. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 22—Division 25

LYNNE R. PERKINS

Office address: Carnahan Courthouse, 1114 Market St., St. Louis 63101; phone (314) 622-4251.

City of St. Louis.

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Graduate of Wesley College, B.S. & A.A.; Community College of the Air Force, A.A.; Washington University, St. Louis, J.D.; United States Air Force, August 1980–October 2000. Married to Marnita A. Perkins. Missouri assistant public defender in the St. Louis City Trial Office, 2003–2008. Founder of The Law Office of Lynne R. Perkins, December 2008–November 2017. Professional memberships include: Missouri Bar Association; Mound City Bar Association; Friendly Temple Missionary Baptist Church. Appointed by Gov. Eric Greitens, Oct. 11, 2017. Retained 2020. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.

Circuit 22—Division 26

MICHAEL J. COLONA

Office address: Carnahan Courthouse, 1114 Market St., St. Louis 63101; phone (314) 622-4096.

City of St. Louis.

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Graduate of Truman State University, B.A. Political Science, 1991; St. Louis University School of Law, J.D. 1994. Engaged in the private practice of civil litigation, 1994–1999. Associate attorney practicing criminal/municipal law, 1999–2014 with The Stokely Group, L.L.C. Founding partner, Colona & Gentle, L.L.C., 2014–2019. Adjunct professor of Criminology, UM–St. Louis, 1997–2008. Served as an elected State Representative in the Missouri General Assembly for the City of St. Louis, 2008–2016. Former municipal court judge for the City of Holts Summit, MO. Former municipal court judge for the City of St. Louis. Elected to the Missouri Bar Board of Governors, 2016–current. Member: Missouri Bar, Illinois Bar, Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis, Lifetime Member NAACP. Appointed associate circuit judge by Gov. Mike Parson, Oct. 18, 2019. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 22—Division 27

DAVID A. ROITHER

Office address: Civil Courts Bldg., 10 N. Tucker Blvd., St. Louis 63101; phone (314) 622-4491.

City of St. Louis.

Biography: Graduate of University of Missouri–St. Louis, 1996, B.A. in philosophy and political science; St. Louis University School of Law, J.D., 1999. Married to Amy and they have two children, Peter and Torsten. Engaged in private practice, Medler & Roither, LLC, 2005–2018. Various boards and committees affiliated with the University of Missouri–St. Louis, Pierre Laclède Honors College, Legal Advocates for Abused Women and St. Margaret of Scotland. Professional memberships include: The Missouri Bar; Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis; Lawyers Association of St. Louis. Appointed associate circuit judge, Jan. 8, 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 22—Division 28

CRAIG K. HIGGINS

Office address: Civil Courts Bldg., 10 N. Tucker Blvd., St. Louis 63101; phone (314) 613-4282.

City of St. Louis.

Biography: Born and raised in St. Louis. Judge Higgins began his legal career as a law clerk to the Honorable David D. Noce, 1991. In 1996, he joined the City of St. Louis' Law Department and served as an associate city counselor until his appointment to the bench. Appointed associate circuit judge, 2019. Retained: 2020. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024.



Circuit 22—Division 30

BARBARA PEEBLES

Office address: 920 N. Vandeventer Ave., St. Louis 63108; phone (314) 552-2030

City of St. Louis.

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Graduate of Washington University, B.A., 1982; American University Washington College of Law, J.D., 1986. Previously an assistant city counselor, City of St. Louis; assistant circuit attorney, City of St. Louis and drug court commissioner, 22nd Judicial Circuit. Member: St. Alphonsus Liguori Rock Catholic Church; National Association of Women Judges; Women Lawyers' Association of Greater St. Louis and Mound City Bar Association. Appointed associate circuit judge, September 2000. Elected in 2002. Retained in 2006–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Nonpartisan.





Circuit 23—Division 10

JEFFREY T. COLEMAN

Office address: Jefferson County Courthouse, PO Box 100, Hillsboro 63050; phone (636) 797-5365.

County: Jefferson.

Biography: Born at Scott Air Force Base, Illinois. Graduate of Northwest High School; Truman State University, B.A. Political Science 1996; Drake University School of Law, 2000. Married to Julie Coleman. They have five children, Taylor, Lauren, Isabel, Anna and Ryan. Assistant Prosecuting Attorney for Jefferson County, 2000–2006; Assistant Circuit Attorney for City of St. Louis, 2007–2014. Member: Jefferson County Bar Association; Missouri Association of Probate and Associate Circuit Judges; Missouri Association of Treatment Court Professionals. Elected associate circuit judge, 2014. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 23—Division 11

EDWARD L. PAGE

Office address: Jefferson County Courthouse, PO Box 100, Hillsboro 63050; phone (636) 797-5453.

County: Jefferson.

Biography: Not available. Elected associate circuit judge, 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 23—Division 12

ANTONIO (T.) MANANSALA

Office address: Jefferson County Courthouse, PO Box 100, Hillsboro 63050; phone (636) 797-5375.

County: Jefferson.

Biography: Born in Pueblo, Colorado. Graduate of DeSmet High School, St. Louis, 1977; University of Maryland–Far East Division, B.A., business management, 1982; and Washburn University, Topeka, Kansas, J.D., 1985. Engaged in private practice, 1985–1993. Employed with the Missouri State Public Defender System, March 1993–December 2014; as an assistant public defender, district defender, Hillsboro Trial Office; Capital PCR attorney and district defender, Columbia Trial Office. Recipient of the Defender of Distinction award, 2004. Member: Jefferson County Bar Association. Elected associate circuit judge, 2014. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 23—Division 13

KATHERINE M. HARDY SENKEL

Office address: Jefferson County Courthouse, PO Box 100, Hillsboro 63050; phone (636) 797-6020.

County: Jefferson.

Biography: Born in Bonne Terre. Graduate North County R-1 High School, 1988; Westminster College, B.A. (English), 1991 (Institute of European Studies/University of London, 1990); Mississippi College School of Law, 1995. Married to David P. Senkel of Thurman Law Firm. They have two children, Sophie Senkel and Anna Caroline Hardy Senkel. Completed Internships at Missouri State Capitol under Majority Floor Leader Rep. Bob Ward, 1991 and U.S. Capitol under Congressman Bill Emerson, 1992. Served in private practice of law 1995–2016 at Hardy Law Firm, Farmington and served as president 24th Circuit

Bar Association and Bismarck municipal prosecutor. Inaugural Class of the Missouri Bar Leadership Academy, 2000. Member 25th Circuit Bar Association, Missouri Association of Probate and Associate Circuit Judges. Elected associate circuit judge, 2016. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.

Circuit 23—Division 14

TIMOTHY S. MILLER

Office address: Jefferson County Courthouse, PO Box 100, Hillsboro 63050; phone (636) 797-6045.

County: Jefferson.

Biography: Born in Festus. Graduate of Festus High School; Southeast Missouri State University, B.S., education, 1989 and Washington University, St. Louis, J.D., 1993. Missouri Army National Guard, 1983–1991. Married Christina (Jackson) Miller in 1986; they have two children, Anna and Dylan, and three grandchildren, Emma (2006–2009), Cameron and Ian. Private law practice, 1993–2011. Member: Kiwanis, Elks, MMACJA, Jefferson County Bar Association and Missouri Bar Association. Elected associate circuit judge, 2010. Retained in 2014 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 23—Division 15

SHANNON DOUGHERTY

Office address: Jefferson County Courthouse, PO Box 100, Hillsboro 63050; phone (636) 797-6442.

County: Jefferson.

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Graduate of Grandview R-2 High School, 1991; University of Missouri, B.A., psychology, *summa cum laude*, 1995; Universite Stendhal, France, summer 1992 and St. Louis University School of Law, J.D., 2002. Married to Christopher Moenster. Mother of one daughter. Probation and parole officer for the State of Missouri, 1995–2001; Jefferson County prosecuting attorney's office, 2001–2006. Member: Jefferson County Bar Association, Missouri Bar Association, Missouri National Guard Association Auxiliary, National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, Circuit Court Budget Committee, Juvenile Officer Performance Standards Work Group and Juvenile Weighted Workload Work Group, co-chair. Elected associate circuit judge, 2006. Retained in 2010–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



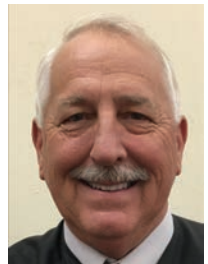
Circuit 24

ROBIN EDWARD FULTON

Office address: Madison County Courthouse, PO Box 470, Fredericktown 63645; phone (573) 783-3105.

County: Madison.

Biography: Born in Ft. Leonard Wood. Graduate of Southeast Missouri State University, B.A., 1978; University of South Carolina, J.D., 1981. Research editor, South Carolina Law Review, 1980. Married Karen Sylvester, June 7, 1975; two children, Jacob Fulton (deceased 1997) and Jennifer Detwiler; and two granddaughters, Morgan Detwiler Lucas and Emma Lee Lucas. Served in the private practice of law, 1981–2006. Member: Elks Club; 24th Circuit Bar Association and Missouri Association of Probate and Associate Circuit Judges. Elected associate circuit judge, 2006. Retained in 2010–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Democrat.



Circuit 24—Division 3

BRICE SECHREST

Office address: St. Francois County Courthouse, 1 N. Washington, Ste. 300, Farmington 63640; phone (573) 756-5755.

County: St. Francois.

Biography: Not available. Appointed associate circuit judge, September 2021. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022





Circuit 24—Division 4

PATRICK L. KING

Office address: St. Francois County Courthouse, 1 N. Washington, Farmington 63640; phone (573) 756-6601.

County: St. Francois.

Biography: Born in Rolla. Graduate of Rolla High School; University of Missouri, National Merit Scholar, B.A. in political science, 1982; J.D., 1986; Roscoe P. Anderson Award; Order of Barristers. Married Michele Branstetter in 1987. Two children, Andrew and Melanie. Office of general counsel, Missouri State Tax Commission, 1986–87; assistant Missouri attorney general, 1987–89; Rolla city attorney, 1990–99. Private practice in Rolla. Phelps County prosecuting attorney, 1995–98. First assistant prosecuting attorney, St. Francois County, 1999–2018. Member: Kiwanis; First Baptist Church, Farmington, where he serves as a deacon; Mizzou Alumni Association (life member); Missouri Association of Probate and Associate Circuit Judges. Elected associate circuit judge, 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 24

TIMOTHY W. INMAN

Office address: Ste. Genevieve County Courthouse, 55 S. Third St., Rm. 204, Ste. Genevieve 63670; phone (573) 883-2265.

County: Ste. Genevieve.

Biography: Born in Vinita, Oklahoma. Graduate of Southeast Missouri State University, B.S., business and accounting, 1987; University of Missouri–Kansas City School of Law, J.D., 1990. Private practice, 1990–2010; Ste. Genevieve County prosecuting attorney, 1997–2010. Elected associate circuit judge, 2010. Retained in 2014 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Democrat.



Circuit 24

TROY HYDE

Office address: Washington County Courthouse, 102 N. Missouri St., Potosi 63664; phone (573) 438-3691.

County: Washington.

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Graduate of University of Missouri–St. Louis, B.A., political science; Ohio Northern University, Claude W. Petit College of Law, J.D., 1990. Married Sonya Lawson, June 12, 1998. Member: *Ohio Northern Law Review*, lead article research editor; Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, Lodge 2218. Served as assistant public defender, 24th Judicial Circuit, 1990–1992; assistant prosecuting attorney, Washington County, 1993–1995 and private practice of law, 1993–1996. Elected associate circuit judge, 1997. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Democrat.



Circuit 25

KERRY G. ROWDEN

Office address: Maries County Courthouse, PO Box 490, Vienna 65582; phone (573) 422-3303.

County: Maries.

Biography: Graduate of Maries R-1 in Vienna, 1983; Lincoln University, 1985, B.A., history and University of Missouri–Columbia, J.D., 1989. Married Wendy Hensley, Dec. 29, 1984; they have six children. Elected prosecuting attorney for Miller County, 1990; served four years. Elected 2010. Retained in 2014 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.

Circuit 25

MARK D. CALVERT

Office address: Phelps County Courthouse, 200 N. Main, Ste. 201, Rolla 65401; phone (573) 458-6246, FAX (573) 458-6224.

County: Phelps.

Biography: Born in Norfolk, Virginia. Married to Lisa, 1989; three children. Graduate of Central Methodist College, B.A., English 1988; University of Missouri–Columbia School of Law, J.D., 1991. Engaged in private practice, 1991–2014, with an emphasis in Family Law; certified family law mediator; former board member, MARCH Mediation, CASA. Member: Missouri Bar Association, Phelps County Bar Association and Optimist Club of Rolla. Elected 2014. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 25

KENNETH G. CLAYTON

Office address: Phelps County Courthouse, 200 N. Main, Ste. 201, Rolla 65401; phone (573) 458-6245, FAX (573) 458-6224.

County: Phelps.

Biography: Born in Fremont, Michigan. Attended Rolla High School, 1987; Northeast Missouri State University (now Truman State University), Kirksville, B.S. in business administration management, 1992; University of Tulsa School of Law, J.D., 1995. Married to Carla since June 28, 1997; three children: Audra, Samuel and Katelyn. Assistant public defender, Area 25 Trial Division, 1995–1998. Elected Phelps County prosecuting attorney, 1999–2006; associate attorney at Smith and Turley in St. Robert, 2007–2011; Clayton Law Office, 2011–2013, 2015–2018; assistant Pulaski County prosecuting attorney, 2011–2013, 2015–2018; acting Pulaski County prosecuting attorney, 2012–2013; city of St. Robert prosecuting attorney, 2011–2013. Appointed associate circuit judge, Jan. 2, 2013, to fill an unexpired two-year term. Elected 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 25

COLIN LONG

Office address: Pulaski County Courthouse, 301 Historic Rt. 66, Ste. 314, Waynesville 65583; phone (573) 774-4786.

County: Pulaski.

Biography: Born in Waynesville. Graduate of University of Missouri–Rolla; Oklahoma City University, J.D. Married Courtney Lawson, July 27, 2002. They have two children, Connor and Cate. Former partner with Smith, Turley, Long. Member: St. Robert Church of God; Waynesville-St. Robert Chamber of Commerce; former vice chair, Regional Commerce and Growth Association and Waynesville Masonic Lodge #375 A.F. & A.M. Appointed 2004. Elected 2006. Retained in 2010–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Democrat.



Circuit 25

MICHAEL V. HEADRICK

Office address: Pulaski County Courthouse, 301 Historic Rt. 66, Ste. 316, Waynesville 65583; phone (573) 774-4784.

County: Pulaski.

Biography: Born in Rolla. Graduate of Waynesville High School, 1986; University of Missouri–Columbia, B.A., political science, 1990; University of Missouri–Kansas City, J.D., 1993. Married to Tammy (1998). Pulaski County prosecutor, elected 1994 and 1998. Associate circuit judge, Probate Division. Elected 2014. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.





Circuit 25

DOUGLAS D. GASTON

Office address: Texas County Courthouse, 519 N. Grand, Ste. 202, Houston 65483; phone (417) 967-3663.

County: Texas.

Biography: Born in Houston. Graduate of Houston High School; Southwest Baptist University, B.S. and University of Arkansas, Little Rock, J.D. Private law practice, 1995–2002; state representative, 1997–98; Texas County prosecuting attorney, 1999–2002; special assistant, U.S. attorney, 2003–2004; chief of staff/general counsel, Missouri Senate president *pro tem*, 2004; Missouri deputy state treasurer, 2005–2008. Appointed associate circuit judge, 2009. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 26—Division 4

MICHAEL J. GILLEY

Office address: Camden County Courthouse, 1 Court Circle, Ste. 9, Camdenton 65020; phone (573) 346-4440.

County: Camden.

Biography: Born in Springfield. Graduate of Camdenton High School, 1996; Arizona State University, B.S., Finance, *magna cum laude*, 2000; University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law, J.D., 2004; Northwestern University School of Law, LL.M. in Taxation, with honors, 2008. Engaged in private law practice, 2004–2007 and 2008–2014. Camden County prosecuting attorney, 2015–2017, until appointment to the bench. Member: Missouri Bar Association; 26th Judicial Circuit Bar Association; Camdenton R-III Education Foundation, board member. Attends the Church at Osage Hills in Osage Beach. Appointed associate circuit judge, 2017. Elected 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 26—Division 5

HEATHER L. MILLER

Office address: Camden County Courthouse, 1 Court Circle, Ste. 9, Camdenton 65020; phone (573) 346-4440.

County: Camden.

Biography:



Circuit 26

STEVE JACKSON

Office address: Laclede County Courthouse, 200 N. Adams, Lebanon 65536; phone (417) 532-2471.

County: Laclede.

Biography: Graduate of Lebanon High School; Missouri State University, B.S. and University of Arkansas at Little Rock, J.D. Married Angie Wampler on Aug. 16, 1994; has two daughters, Pavin and Payne, born in 1995 and 2000. Served in private practice of law for more than 19 years, 1991–2010. Past Laclede County Bar president. Began service in the judiciary, Jan. 1, 2011. Passions include Laclede County, family and being outdoors. Attends First Baptist Church in Lebanon. Elected associate circuit judge, 2010. Retained in 2014 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.

Circuit 26

LARRY WINFREY

Office address: Laclede County Courthouse, 200 N. Adams, Lebanon 65536; phone (417) 532-2471.

County: Laclede.

Biography: Born in Lebanon. Graduate of the University of Missouri–Columbia, B.S., B.A., 1989; J.D., 1992. Married Sharon Smith on June 21, 1986. Private law practice, 1992–2002. President, Laclede County C-5 Board of Education, 1995–2002. Laclede Early Education Program Board of Directors, 1994–2002. Past president of Laclede County Bar. Adjunct instructor at Ozark Technical Community College. Member: First Baptist Church, Rotary, Laclede Lodge #83 AF & AM and Laclede County Shriners Club. Elected associate circuit judge, 2002. Retained in 2006–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



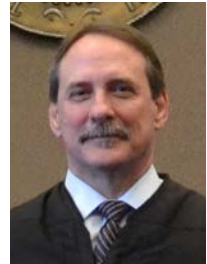
Circuit 26

JON A. KALTENBRONN

Office address: Miller County Courthouse, 2001 Hwy. 52, Tuscumbia 65082; phone (573) 369-1970.

County: Miller.

Biography: Born in Fon du Lac, Wisconsin. Graduate of University of Missouri–Columbia, A.B., 1981; Washington University, J.D., 1984. Missouri Department of Social Services General Counsel's Office, 1984–1987. Assistant attorney general, State of Missouri, 1987–1989. Engaged in private practice, 1989–2014. Former assistant prosecuting attorney, Miller County, former prosecuting attorney, Village of Four Seasons. Former judge for Iberia and Lake Ozark. Elected associate circuit judge, 2014. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



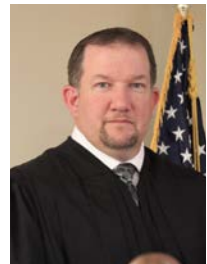
Circuit 26

AARON J. MARTIN

Office address: Moniteau County Courthouse, 200 E. Main St., California 65018; phone (573) 796-4671.

County: Moniteau.

Biography: Born in Jefferson City, raised in Tipton. Graduate of Tipton High School, 1995; Culver–Stockton College, Canton, 1999, B.S. criminal justice and accounting; University of Missouri–Columbia School of Law, J.D., 2002. Married to Kimberly Janell Martin with two daughters, Eleanor and Caroline, residing in California. Associate attorney in private practice, McDorman & Hayden, LLC, Versailles, 2002–2005; attorney and owner in private practice, Martin & Grayson, LLC, Jefferson City, 2006–2016. Member: Capital City Christian Church, Jefferson City; Municipal Judge for City of Tipton. Elected associate circuit judge, 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 26

J. STEPHEN GRANTHAM

Office address: Morgan County Courthouse, 211 E. Newton, Versailles 65084; phone (573) 378-4235.

County: Morgan.

Biography: Not available. Appointed associate circuit judge, 2017. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022.





Circuit 27

JULIE A. HIGHLEY

Office address: Bates County Courthouse, 1 N. Delaware, Ste. 6, Butler 64730; phone (660) 679-3311.

County: Bates.

Biography: Born in Butler. Graduate of University of Missouri–Columbia, B.A., 1993; University of Kansas, J.D., 1996. Resides in Adrian, with her son. Member of the Bates County Career Women. Attends the Butler Presbyterian Church and the Ohio Street Methodist Church. Appointed to fill out term, November 2018. Elected 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022.



CCircuit 27

MARK B. PILLEY

Office address: Benton County Courthouse, PO Box 37, Warsaw 65355; phone (660) 438-6231.

County: Benton.

Biography: Born in Kansas City, Kansas. Graduate of the University of Kansas, B.G.S.; Washburn University, J.D., 1978. Married Judy A. Jones on June 3, 1977; they have three children. Engaged in private law practice, 1979–2008. Member: Benton County and Missouri Bar associations, 1992–present; Kansas Bar Association, 1979–2008. Assistant prosecuting attorney of Benton County, 1993–1994. Former city attorney and municipal judge. Former board member of the Warsaw Fire District, TLC Sheltered Workshop, Nelson Rolf Animal Shelter, Lions Club, Free University and library board. Real estate law and wills and estate planning instructor. Appointed associate circuit judge, 2008. Elected 2010. Retained in 2014 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



ircuit 27

HAROLD L. DUMP II

Office address: Henry County Courthouse, 100 W. Franklin, Rm. 212, Clinton 64735; phone (660) 885-7231.

County: Henry.

Biography: Born in Missouri. Graduate of State Fair Community College, 2001; Central Missouri State University, B.S., criminal justice, 2006; Oklahoma City University School of Law, J.D., 2010. Practiced law in Clinton, 2011–2016. Assistant prosecuting attorney, Henry County, 2016–2018. Member: Missouri Assoc. of Probate and Associate Circuit Judges, Missouri Municipal and Associate Circuit Judges, 27th Circuit Bar Association. Elected 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 27

JERRY J. RELLIHAN

Office address: St. Clair County Courthouse, 655 Second St., PO Box 493, Osceola 64776; phone (417) 646-2421.

County: St. Clair.

Biography: Graduate of Benediction College, Atchison Kansas, B.A. in sociology, 1981; University Missouri–Kansas City, J.D., 1984. Principal at Jerry J. Rellinhan PC, general practice, 1984–2014. Past member of MATA, Missouri & Municipal Circuit Judges Association and MMACJA. Elected 2014. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.

Circuit 28

JAMES V. NICHOLS

Office address: Barton County Courthouse, 1004 Gulf, Ste. 204, Lamar 64759; phone (417) 682-2444.

County: Barton.

Biography: Born in Lamar. Graduated Golden City High School, 1976. Missouri State, B.A., economics; University of Missouri–Kansas City School of Law, J.D., 1985, law review. Private practice in Lamar, 1985–2014; Barton County prosecuting attorney, 1987–1994; municipal judge, City of Lamar, 1994–2014. Elected 2014. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022.



Circuit 28

THOMAS PYLE II

Office address: Cedar County Courthouse, PO Box 665, Stockton, 65785; phone (417) 276-6700, ext. 234.

County: Cedar.

Biography: Graduate Stockton High, 1974; DLI Honors graduate, 1976; Missouri State, B.A., 1981; University of Missouri–Columbia, J.D., 1983; University of Denver, LL.M.; Outstanding Scholar Award, 2005; Air War College, 2005. Married Carol Miller in 1981; they have children & grandchildren. USAFR Lt. Col. (retired) 30+ years military service, overseas duty: Korea; Germany; Spain; Italy; Japan; Cuba and Alaska. Elected 2014. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 28

GARY A. TROXELL

Office address: Dade County Courthouse, 300 W. Water St., Greenfield 65661; phone (417) 637-2271.

County: Dade.

Biography: Not available. Appointed associate circuit judge, 2017. Elected 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022.



Circuit 28

BRANDON B. FISHER

Office address: Vernon County Courthouse, 100 W. Cherry, Ste. A, Nevada 64772; phone (417) 667-5016.

County: Vernon.

Biography: Born in Kansas City. Graduate of the United States Air Force Academy, 1997; Loyola University, New Orleans, School of Law, J.D., 2003. Married Amanda Cox on July 11, 1997; children Cole & Eden. Elected associate circuit judge, 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022.





Circuit 29

JOHN A. NICHOLAS

Office address: Jasper County Courthouse, 302 S. Main, Rm. 211, Carthage 64836; phone (417) 358-0450.

County: Jasper.

Biography: Born in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Graduate, University of Oklahoma, B.A. in economics, 1993. University of Oklahoma, College of Law, J.D., with distinction, 1996. Wife Greta and two children, Joseph and Benjamin. Private practice of law, 1996–2007 with Blanchard, Robertson, Mitchell & Carter, P.C. in Joplin, and the law office of Hensley & Nicholas, LLC, and assistant prosecution attorney, Jasper County, 2007–2014. Member of Missouri and Oklahoma Bar Associations and the Jasper County Bar Association, president, 2001. Elected 2014. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 29

JOSEPH L. HENSLEY

Office address: Jasper County Courts Bldg., 601 S. Pearl, Rm. 211, Joplin 64801; phone (417) 625-4316.

County: Jasper.

Biography: Born in Joplin. Graduate of Webb City High School, 1991; Univ. of Mo.–Columbia, B.A., psychology, *summa cum laude*, 1995; J.D. 1998. Wife Dina and two children. Practiced law at Neale & Newman, L.L.P., 1998–2002; The Hensley Law Firm, LLC, 2002–2007; chief legal counsel for the Jasper County Juvenile Office, 2003–2007 and law office of Hensley & Nicholas, LLC, 2007–2014. Drury University adjunct professor, 2000–2002. Springfield Bar Association's Young Lawyer's Committee, president 2000–2002; Missouri Bar Leadership Academy, 2002–2003; former vice chair of Missouri

Bar Juvenile Courts and Laws Committee. AAA Certified Mediator; Certified Guardian ad Litem. Member: Missouri Association of Probate and Associate Circuit Judges, 2015–present, board of directors, 2016–present; American Academy of Adoption Attorneys (AAAA), 2013–present. Presiding Juvenile Court Judge, March 2019–present. Member Carterville Christian Church. Elected 2014. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 29

JERRY L. HOLCOMB

Office address: Jasper County Courthouse., 302 S. Main, Carthage 64836; phone (417) 237-1096.

County: Jasper.

Biography: Born in Lamar. Graduate of Lamar High School, 1972; Pittsburg State Univ., 1975 and University of Tulsa College of Law, 1978. Member: Oklahoma Bar and Missouri Bar since 1978. Married, two children and three step-children. Employed by Legal Aid of Western Missouri, 1978–81; asst. prosecuting atty. in Newton County, 1981–84; asst. prosecuting atty. in Jasper Co., 1999–2006; partner Collins, Webster and Rouse PC, 1985–2006; adjunct instructor, MSSU Police Academy. Current board member Children's Haven of Southwest Missouri. Past board member Joplin Little Theatre. Member: Supreme Court Family Court Committee; Juvenile Standards Work Group Subcommittee. Member

St. Paul's United Methodist Church of Joplin. Member and past director of Missouri Association of Probate and Associate Circuit Judges. Appointed Jasper County Family Court commissioner, 2006 serving 12 years. Elected associate circuit judge, 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.

Circuit 30

LISA HENDERSON

Office address: Dallas County Courthouse, PO Box 1910, Buffalo 65622; phone (417) 345-2243.

County: Dallas.

Biography: Born in Springfield. Graduate of Central Missouri State University, B.S.; University of Missouri–Columbia School of Law, J.D., 1989. Private law practice, 1989–2010. Member of the Dallas County Bar Association and Missouri Bar Association. Former prosecuting attorney for Hickory County. Former city attorney, Buffalo. Elected in 2010. Retained in 2014 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 30

JAMES A. HACKETT

Office address: Hickory County Courthouse, PO Box 345, Hermitage, 65668; phone (417) 745-6421.

County: Hickory.

Biography: Born in Kansas City. Graduated Rockhurst College B.A. 1995; University of Missouri–Kansas City, J.D., 1998. Married to Holly Powell, May 31, 2003. Three children; Cody, Justin and Kalynn. Member of the Missouri Bar Assoc. Assistant public defender, 1998–2000; Hickory County prosecuting attorney, 2000–2013; private law practice, 2010–2013; Hickory County associate judge, 2013–present; former assistant prosecuting attorney Dallas County and Polk County; special prosecuting attorney Dallas County, Polk County, Webster County and Benton County. Appointed associate circuit judge, 2013. Elected 2014. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Democrat.



Circuit 30

JOHN PORTER

Office address: Polk County Courthouse, 102 E. Broadway, Rm. 14, Bolivar 65613; phone (417) 326-4912.

County: Polk.

Biography: Born in Nevada, Missouri. Graduate of Southwest Baptist University, B.S., English; Oklahoma City University, J.D., 1995. Married Jill Thomeczek, Dec. 31, 2007. Two daughters: Abbi and Alex. Prosecuting attorney for Polk County, 1999–2006. Member: United Methodist Church of Bolivar; Polk County Bar Association. Appointed associate circuit judge, 2006. Retained in 2006–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 30

ELIZABETH V. ROHRS

Office address: Polk County Courthouse, 102 E. Broadway, Rm. 14, Bolivar 65613; phone (417) 326-4912.

County: Polk.

Biography: Born in Leavenworth, Kansas. Graduate of Bolivar High School; Southwest Baptist University, B.A. in English, *summa cum laude*, 1980; University of Missouri–Columbia, J.D., 1983. Married to Alvin Rohrs, two children. Private law practice, 1983–2014; Bolivar municipal judge, 1990–2005; adjunct professor of Business Law, Southwest Baptist University, 1984–1999; former city attorney, Stockton. Former board member and presenter, Missouri Municipal and Associate Circuit Judges Association. Member: First Baptist Church of Bolivar; Bolivar Rotary Club, 1990–2019; P.E.O. sisterhood; Polk County Bar Association; Southwest Missouri Women Lawyers and Missouri Bar Association. Elected 2014. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 30

DAVID T. TUNNELL

Office address: Webster County Courthouse, 101 S. Crittenden St., Rm. 22, Marshfield 65706; phone (417) 859-2041.

County: Webster.

Biography: Born in Springfield. Graduate of Marshfield High School, 1994; University of Missouri–Columbia, B.A., 1997 and J.D., 2001. Married Rebecca Floyd in 2006; they have two children, Luke and Lily. Served in private practice at Corbett Law Firm, P.C., 1999–2014. Served on the board of directors of Web-Co Custom Industries (sheltered workshop), 2002–2008. Member: Missouri, Webster County and Springfield Metropolitan Bar Associations. Attends Cedar Gap Baptist Church in rural Seymour. Elected associate circuit judge in 2014 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.





Circuit 30
DAVID REPLOGLE

Office address: Webster County Courthouse, 101 S. Crittenden St., Marshfield 65706; phone (417) 859-2041.

County: Webster.

Biography: Born in Springfield, Missouri. Graduate of Missouri Southern State University, B.S., 1998 and University of Tulsa, J.D., 2001. Married Tiffany Riddle on May 18, 2002; they have three children. Served in private practice: McDonald, Hosmer, King & Royce, P.C., 2001–2006; Replogle & Berkstresser, LLC, 2006–2015 and Replogle, Tyrrell & Robertson, LLC, 2015–2018. Marshfield City Attorney, 2002–2012 and 2016–2018. President and director of GRO Marshfield; former president and board member of the Marshfield Area Community Foundation. Member: Missouri, Webster County and Springfield Metropolitan Bar Associations and Destiny Church, Marshfield. Municipal judge for Seymour, Fordland and Niangua. Elected associate circuit judge, 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 31—Division 21
JERRY A. HARMISON JR.

Office address: Judicial Courts Facility, 1010 N. Boonville Ave., Springfield 65802; phone (417) 868-4099.

County: Greene.

Biography: Graduate University of Central Missouri, B.S.B.A., 1984 and Drake University, J.D., 1987. Engaged in the practice of law, 1987–2017, most recently with Harmison and Pearman, P.C. Served as president of the boards of directors for Springfield Public Schools, 2003 and 2004, Springfield Area Chamber of Commerce, 2011, Rotary Club of Springfield Sunrise, 1996, Care to Learn, 2017, Big Brothers and Big Sisters of the Ozarks, 1995 and King's Way United Methodist Church, 1997 and 2014. Appointed associate circuit judge, September 2017. Retained: 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 31—Division 22
MARGARET PALMIETTO

Office address: Judicial Courts Facility, 1010 N. Boonville Ave., Springfield 65802; phone (417) 868-4107.

County: Greene.

Biography: Born in Rolla. Graduate of Missouri State University, B.A., history, 1984; University of Missouri–Columbia School of Law, 1988. Private practice of law, 1988–1990. Served as assistant prosecuting attorney in Greene County, 1990–1994; administrative law judge, Missouri Division of Workers' Compensation, 1994–2015, chief administrative law judge, 1994–2005 and 2009–2015. Member: Springfield Metropolitan Bar Assoc.; Southern Missouri Women Lawyers Assoc. and Saint Elizabeth Ann Seaton Church. Appointed associate circuit court judge, 2015. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 31—Division 23
ANDY HOSMER

Office address: Judicial Courts Facility, 1010 N. Boonville Ave., Springfield 65802; phone (417) 868-4095.

County: Greene.

Biography: Born in Marshfield. Educated at the University of Missouri–Columbia, B.A., psychology, Phi Beta Kappa, 1986. Attended New York University School of Law, J.D., 1989. Worked in Greene County as assistant public defender, assistant prosecuting attorney and as assistant attorney general. Engaged in private practice in Tampa, Fla., 1989–1992, New York, N.Y., 1993–1995 and Springfield, 2000–2014. Appointed associate circuit judge, 2014. Retained in 2016. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.

Circuit 31—Division 24

MARK POWELL

Office address: Judicial Courts Facility, 1010 N. Boonville Ave., Springfield 65802; phone (417) 829-6546.

County: Greene.

Biography: Born in Springfield. Graduate of Missouri State University, B.A., Psychology, *cum laude*, 1982; Drake University, J.D., with honors, 1985. Engaged in the practice of law with Miller and Sanford P.C., 1985–2000. Established Truancy Court Program at Reed Middle School. Recipient: Red Cross Everyday Hero Award; Council of Churches Gift of Time Award; O. Franklin Kenworthy Award for Outstanding Leadership. Member Circuit Court Budget Committee, 2007–present. Appointed associate circuit judge, March 2000. Elected 2000–2006. Retained 2010, 2014 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 31—Division 25

T. TODD MYERS

Office address: Judicial Courts Facility, 1010 N. Boonville Ave., Springfield 65802; phone (417) 829-6613.

County: Greene.

Biography: Born in Wichita, Kansas. Graduate of Evangel University, B.A., government, *magna cum laude*, 1994. University of Kansas, School of Law, J.D. 1997. Engaged in the practice of law with the City of Wichita Law Department, 1997–1998, the Greene County prosecuting attorney's office, 1999–2021, and as a special assistant U.S. Attorney, 2005–2016. Member: Springfield Metropolitan Bar Association. Appointed associate circuit court judge, January 2020. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022.



Circuit 31—Division 26

J. RONALD CARRIER

Office address: Greene County Courthouse, 1010 Boonville, Springfield 65802; phone (417) 829-6005.

County: Greene.

Biography: Graduate of Mt. Vernon High School, 1982; Drury University, B.A., political science, *magna cum laude*, 1986 and University of Missouri–Columbia School of Law, J.D., 1988. Private practice of law, 1989–1990; assistant prosecuting attorney and prosecuting attorney, Greene County, 1990–1998; assistant attorney general and southwest regional chief counsel, Missouri Attorney General's Office, 1999–2013. Member: Springfield Metropolitan Bar Association. Recipient of Dr. John P. Ferguson Award for Child Advocacy. Recognized by U.S. Department of Justice for legal training provided in Republic of Kosovo. Appointed associate circuit judge, 2013. Retained: 2016 and 2020. Term expires Dec. 31, 2024. Nonpartisan.



Circuit 32

ALAN J. BEUSSINK

Office address: Bollinger County Courthouse, 204 High St., Ste. 4, Marble Hill 63764; phone (573) 238-1900, ext. 6.

County: Bollinger.

Biography: Born in Cape Girardeau. Graduate of Leopold High School, 1999; University of Missouri–Columbia, B.A., political science, 2003; University of Missouri–Columbia, J.D., 2006. Married Dana Nenninger, Aug. 5, 2006; they have 2 children, Cohen and Finn. Practiced law at Richard Whiffen, P.C. in Sikeston and Marble Hill, 2006–2010; Whiffen and Beussink, LLP in Sikeston and Marble Hill, 2010–2020. Member: St. John Catholic Church; Bollinger County Chamber of Commerce, Leopold School District Foundation 2007–present; Knights of Columbus. Appointed associate circuit judge, 2020. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.





Circuit 32

JULIE M. KOESTER

Office address: Cape Girardeau County Courthouse, 203 N. High St., Jackson 63755; phone (573) 335-8253.

County: Cape Girardeau.

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Graduate of Cor Jesu Academy High School, 2000; Creighton University, B.S.B.A., Finance, 2003; Saint Louis University School of Law, J.D., 2007. Married John ("Jack") N. Koester Jr., Oct. 9, 2010; they have three children. Assistant prosecuting attorney, Cape Girardeau County, 2007–2020. Member: St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, Cape Girardeau, Jackson Chamber of Commerce, Cape Chamber of Commerce and the Cape West Rotary. Appointed associate circuit judge, 2020. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 32

FRANK E. MILLER

Office address: Cape Girardeau County Courthouse, 203 N. High St., Jackson 63755; phone (573) 243-8446.

County: Cape Girardeau.

Biography: Born in Cape Girardeau. Graduate of Jackson High School, 1998; Westminster College, B.A. business administration, 2002; University of Missouri–Kansas City, J.D., 2005. Married Elizabeth Sikes, May 14, 2005; they have three children. Congressional aide to U.S. Representative Jo Ann Emerson (MO-8), 2005–2010. Assistant prosecuting attorney, Cape Girardeau County, 2011–2018. Recipient of the Lon O. Hocker Trial Lawyer Award, 2017. Member: Christ Episcopal Church in Cape Girardeau, Legislative Committee for the Missouri Association of Probate and Associate Circuit Judges, and the Cape Girardeau Noon Lions Club. Elected associate circuit judge, 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 32

CRAIG D. BREWER

Office address: Perry County Courthouse, 15 W. Sainte Marie St., Ste. 3, Perryville 63775; phone (573) 547-7861.

County: Perry.

Biography: Born in Perryville. Graduate of St. Vincent High School, 1990; University of Missouri–Columbia, B.A., political science and English, 1994; University of Missouri–Columbia, J.D., 1998. Married A. Lauren Brazel, July 27, 1996; they have three children, Grace, Kate and Max. Practiced law at Eng & Woods in Columbia, 1998–1999; The Brewer Law Firm, P.C., 1999–2013 and Arbeiter & Brewer, 2013–2014, in Perryville. Member: St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church; Perryville Chamber of Commerce, 1999–present; Perry County Economic Development Authority, 2000–present; Perryville Development Corporation, 2001–present; Knights of Columbus, Fourth Degree; St. Vincent Alumni Association, president, 2010–2015. Elected associate circuit judge, 2014. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Independent.



Circuit 33

ROB BARKER

Office address: Mississippi County Courthouse, PO Box 369, Charleston 63834; phone (573) 683-2146.

County: Mississippi.

Biography: Graduate of East Prairie High School, 1986; Missouri Southern State University, B.S., criminal justice administration, 1993; Southern Illinois University, J.D., 2004. Twelve years experience as a law enforcement officer. Worked in Missouri Public Defender's Office, 2004–2006; engaged in private general practice, 2006–2014; appointed municipal judge for the City of East Prairie, 2012 and member and current president of Mississippi County Bar Association. Elected associate circuit judge, 2015. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Democrat.

Circuit 33

ZAC HORACK

Office address: Scott County Courthouse, PO Box 587, Benton 63736; phone (573) 545-3576.

County: Scott.

Biography: Graduate Univ. of Missouri, B.S. in Biological Sciences, 2010 and a Master of Public Health, 2012; St. Louis Univ. School of Law, 2015, with an emphasis in criminal litigation. Joined the Scott Co. prosecuting attorney's office as an assistant prosecuting attorney, 2015. Began prosecuting large-scale narcotic and drug trafficking cases as Southeast Missouri's High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) prosecutor, serving multiple counties, 2017. Serves as municipal judge throughout Scott Co. He enjoys volunteering and teaching, currently fulfills adjunct responsibilities at Southeast Missouri State Univ. as well as the SEMO Law Enforcement Academy teaching Criminal Law, Constitutional Law and Criminal Courts. The associate judge, division 5 dockets primarily include criminal matters, small claims, landlord-tenant disputes and various administrative settings. Elected 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 33

BLAKE PEARSON

Office address: Scott County Courthouse, PO Box 587, Benton 63736; phone (573) 545-3511.

County: Scott.

Biography: Graduate University of Missouri–Columbia, B.A., 1992; University of Missouri–Columbia School of Law, J.D., 1996, dean's list. Member: Missouri and Scott County Bar associations and former president of the Scott County Bar Association. Admitted to the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Missouri. Assistant public defender, 1996–1998. Private practice, 1998–2013. High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area prosecutor for Scott, Mississippi and Bollinger Counties, 2013–2016. Interim Scott County prosecuting attorney, 2013. Appointed associate circuit judge, 2017. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 34

JOSHUA D. UNDERWOOD

Office address: New Madrid County Courthouse, 450 Main St., New Madrid 63869; phone (573) 748-5556.

County: New Madrid.

Biography: Born in Sikeston. Graduate of Portageville High School; Mississippi State University, B.B.A. and Mississippi College School of Law, J.D. Married Lou Oliver, Aug. 11, 2007. They have one daughter, Emmaline and one son, J. Douglas. Engaged in the private practice of law in Caruthersville, 2007–2010 and New Madrid, 2010–2013. Member: The Missouri Bar, 34th Judicial Circuit Bar Association and Missouri Association of Probate and Associate Circuit Judges. Appointed by Gov. Jeremiah (Jay) Nixon, 2013. Elected 2014. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Democrat.



Circuit 34

W. KEITH CURRIE

Office address: Pemiscot County Courthouse, 610 Ward Ave., Ste. 2E, Caruthersville 63830; phone (573) 333-0152.

County: Pemiscot.

Biography: Born in Hayti. Graduate of Caruthersville High School; Mississippi State University, B.B.A.; University of Missouri, J.D. Married Deborah Cybulski, May 9, 1992. They have two daughters, Anne Marie and Ellen. Engaged in the private practice of law in Jefferson City, 1990–1992, and Hayti, 1992–2003. Elder at First Presbyterian Church of Caruthersville. Member: The Missouri Bar; 34th Judicial Circuit Bar Association and Missouri Association of Probate and Associate Circuit Judges. Elected 2002. Retained in 2006–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Democrat.





Circuit 34

WILLIAM CARTER

Office address: Pemiscot County Justice Center, PO Box 228, Caruthersville 63830; phone (573) 333-2784.

County: Pemiscot.

Biography: Not available. Elected associate circuit judge, 2014. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Democrat.



Circuit 35

H. MARK PREYER

Office address: Dunklin County Courthouse, PO Box 567, Kennett 63857; phone (573) 888-3272.

County: Dunklin.

Biography: Born in Poplar Bluff. Graduate of the University of Missouri–Columbia, College of Agriculture, B.S., agricultural economics, 1980; University of Missouri–Columbia School of Law, J.D., 1983. Married Amy Phillips, July 7, 2007. They share five children: Erin Preyer, Eric Preyer, Jake Phillips, Emma Phillips and Audrey Phillips. Previously served on Missouri Public Defender Commission and on the Missouri Highway and Transportation Commission. Member: Kennett Chamber of Commerce, Kiwanis Club, Farmers and Merchants Club of Holcomb and of Homersville. Engaged in the practice of law in Kennett, 1983–2010. Elected associate circuit judge, 2010. Retained in 2014 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Democrat.



Circuit 35

JOHN SPIELMAN

Office address: Dunklin County Courthouse, PO Box 567, Kennett 63857; phone (573) 888-3378.

County: Dunklin.

Biography: Born in Missouri. Graduate of Wichita State University, B.A. political science, 1990; St. Louis University, J.D., 1997. Married Julie Bartlett, April 28, 2001. They have two children, Barbara (Ara) Gray and Meagan Grace. Member: First United Methodist Church of Kennett, Kiwanis Club of Kennett, Farmers & Merchants Club of Holcomb and Masonic Lodge, A.F. & A.M. of Kennett. Elected 2006. Retained in 2010–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Democrat.



Circuit 35

BRADLEY D. JARRELL

Office address: Stoddard County Justice Center, PO Box 30, Bloomfield 63825; phone (573) 568-2181.

County: Stoddard.

Biography: Born in Poplar Bluff. Graduate of Dexter High School, 1998; B.S. in Psychology from Arkansas State University, 2002; J.D. from Southern Illinois University, 2005. Married to Sarah, with two boys, Walker and Weston. Associate attorney and Missouri State Senate legislative liaison for the Honorable Robert N. Mayer, 25th State Senatorial District, 2005–2012. Owner, Jarrell Law Office, 2012–2017. Past and present board and club memberships: Psi Chi Honor Society; Phi Delta Phi Honor Fraternity; Family Counseling Women's Shelter, president; Stoddard County Children's Home, vice president; Dexter Parks and Recreation board, vice president; Stoddard County Republican Club and Dexter Rotary Club, president. Appointed associate circuit judge, 2017. Elected in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.

Circuit 35

JOE Z. SATTERFIELD

Office address: Stoddard County Courthouse, PO Box 30, Bloomfield 63825; phone (573) 568-4671.

County: Stoddard.

Biography: Born in Dexter. Graduate of Southeast Missouri State University, B.S., business administration; University of Missouri–Columbia, J.D. Engaged in private law practice in Dexter at Parsons, Mitchell, Wilson and Satterfield, 1982–1995. Appointed associate circuit judge, 1995. Elected 1996. Retained in 1998–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Democrat.



Circuit 36

C. WADE PIERCE

Office address: Butler County Courthouse, 100 S. Main, Poplar Bluff 63901; phone (573) 686-8087.

County: Butler.

Biography: Born in Poplar Bluff. Graduate of Southeast Missouri State University, B.S. Psychology, 1993, legal education; Oklahoma City University School of Law, J.D., 1996. Admitted to the Bar, 1996. Assistant prosecuting attorney, Butler County, 2001–2005; city prosecutor, Poplar Bluff, 2003–2014. Elected associate circuit judge, 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 36

JOHN SHOCK

Office address: Butler County Courthouse, 100 N. Main, Poplar Bluff 63901; phone (573) 686-8073.

County: Butler.

Biography: Born in Pemiscot County. Graduate of University of Missouri, A.B. in Economics, 1987; University of Southern Mississippi, M.B.A., 1989; University of Missouri, J.D., 1993. Married with two children. Law clerk for Eastern District Court of Appeals for one year. Corporate Trust Officer for five years. Private law practice for 15 years. Elected associate circuit judge, 2014. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 36

THOMAS SWINDLE

Office address: Ripley County Courthouse, 100 Court Sq., Doniphan 63935; phone (573) 996-2013.

County: Ripley.

Biography: Born in Wood River, Illinois. Graduate of Southeast Missouri State University, B.A., 1978, legal education; Salmon P. Chase College of Law, Northern Kentucky University, J.D., 1981. Admitted to the Bar in 1983. Assistant prosecuting attorney, Ripley County, 1983–1984. Elected associate circuit judge, 2006. Retained in 2010 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.





Circuit 37

STEVEN F. LYNXWILER

Office address: PO Box 578, Van Buren 63965; phone (573) 323-4344.

County: Carter.

Biography: Not available. Elected 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 37

DONNA ANTHONY

Office address: Howell County Courthouse, 106 Courthouse Sq., West Plains 65755; phone (417) 256-3741.

County: Howell.

Biography: Born in Memphis, Tennessee. Graduate of University of Memphis, B.S., *summa cum laude*, 1979; M.Ed., 1981. Legal education: Washington University in St. Louis, J.D., 1989. Admitted to the Missouri Bar, 1989. Judicial law clerk for the Honorable Jean Hamilton, 1989–1991. Missouri public defender, district defender for Area 37, 1993–2017. Defender of Distinction, 2008. Private practice, 2017–2018. Elected associate judge, 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 37

R. DAVID RAY

Office address: Howell County Courthouse, 106 Courthouse Sq., West Plains 65755; phone (417) 256-1422.

County: Howell.

Biography: Born in Aurora. Graduate of University of Missouri–Columbia, B.S. with honors, 1978. University of Missouri–Columbia Law School, J.D. 1981. Married Melinda Haymes Nixon in 1981, they have three children. *Missouri Law Review*. Private practice in West Plains, 1981–2018. Member: First United Methodist Church. Elected associate circuit judge, 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 37

HARVEY S. ALLEN

Office address: Oregon County Courthouse, PO Box 406, Alton 65606; phone (417) 778-7461.

County: Oregon.

Biography: Born in Mammoth Spring, Arkansas. Graduate of Southwest Missouri State University, B.S., 1983; University of Missouri–Kansas City, J.D., 1985. Married Marcia Cozort in 1982. Thayer Church of Christ. Member: Missouri Association of Probate and Associate Circuit Judges, Thayer Area Chamber of Commerce and Thayer-Mammoth Spring Rotary Club. City attorney for Thayer, 1991–2003 and Koshkonong. Associate: Schmidt, Kirby & Sullivan, Springfield, 1986–1991. Private practice in Thayer, 1991–2011. Elected associate circuit judge, 2010. Retained in 2014 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.

Circuit 37

SANDRA BREWER

Office address: Shannon County Courthouse, PO Box 148, Eminence 65466; phone (573) 226-3315.

County: Shannon.

Biography: Graduate of Drury University, B.A.; University of Missouri–Kansas City School of Law, J.D. Married to Vance West. Engaged in private practice in Eminence, 2000–2006. Served as prosecuting attorney of Shannon County, 2004–2006. City attorney for Eminence, Winona and Birch Tree. Member of Missouri Association of Probate and Associate Circuit Judges. Elected 2006. Retained in 2010–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Democrat.



Circuit 38

JESSICA KRUSE

Office address: Christian County Judicial Center, 110 W. Elm, Rm. 203, Ozark 65721; phone (417) 582-5140.

County: Christian.

Biography: Born in Newton, Kansas. Graduate of Missouri State University, B.S. 2003; University of Tulsa, J.D. 2006. Married to Jason Kruse; they have three children and reside in Christian County. Private practice in Springfield, Missouri, 2006–2018. Elected associate circuit judge, 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 38

DOUGLAS P. BACON

Office address: Christian County Courthouse, 110 W. Elm, Rm. 105, Ozark 65721; phone (417) 582-5160.

County: Christian.

Biography: Not available. Elected associate circuit judge, 2014. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 39

JOHNNIE E. COX

Office address: Barry County Judicial Center, 102 W. St., Ste. 2, Cassville 65625; phone (417) 847-3133.

County: Barry.

Biography: Born in Cassville. Attended Cassville Schools; Missouri Southern State College, 1997, B.S.; University of Missouri–Kansas City, J.D., 2000. Married Megan Gibson in 2004 and they have three children. Assistant prosecuting attorney for Taney County, 2000–02. Elected Barry County prosecuting attorney, 2002, re-elected in 2006 and 2010. Member of Cassville First Baptist Church, Cassville Rotary Club and Missouri Farm Bureau. Elected associate circuit judge, 2014. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.





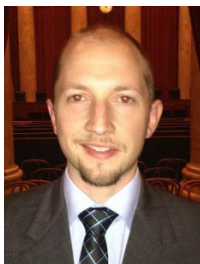
Circuit 39

ROBERT J. FOULKE

Office address: Barry County Judicial Center, 102 West St., Ste. 2, Cassville 65625; phone (417) 847-3133.

County: Barry.

Biography: Graduate of Southwest Missouri State University (now Missouri State University), B.S. Management, 1990; University of Missouri–Kansas City, J.D., 1999. Married Nancy Lawrence, March 3, 1998. One son, Evan. Assistant prosecuting attorney of Barry County. Private practice of law, Cassville. 39th Circuit Bar Association president, 2012 and 2002. Missouri Association of Probate and Associate Circuit Judges. Served YMCA board. Member: First Baptist Church, Cassville. Elected associate circuit judge of Barry County, 2010, 2014 and 2018. Term expires, Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 39

MATTHEW R. KASPER

Office address: Lawrence County Courthouse, 240 N. Main St., Ste. 110, Mt. Vernon 65712; phone (417) 466-2471.

County: Lawrence.

Biography: Graduate of the Arkansas TECH University, B.A.; Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, M.Div.; University of Arkansas, J.D.. Married to Jessica, they have three daughters and one son. Assistant prosecuting attorney for Lawrence County, 2016–2021. Past president of the University of Arkansas Federalist Society. Member: First Baptist Church, Mt. Vernon and the 39th Judicial Circuit Bar Association. Associate circuit judge for Lawrence County since, 2021. Appointed 2021. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 39

SCOTT S. SIFFERMAN

Office address: Lawrence County Courthouse, 240 N. Main St., Ste. 110, Mt. Vernon 65712; phone (417) 466-2471.

County: Lawrence.

Biography: Graduate of the University of Missouri–Columbia, B.S. and M.S.; University of Missouri–Kansas City, J.D. Married to Debbie Stockton, they have three daughters and six grandchildren. Prosecuting attorney for Lawrence County, 1982–1989. Engaged in the private practice of law, 1980–1989. Past president of the 39th Judicial Circuit and a past board member of the Missouri Association of Probate and Associate Circuit Judges. Member of Covenant Baptist Church, Mt. Vernon. Associate circuit judge for Lawrence County since, 1989. Elected 1990. Retained in 1994–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 39

ALAN BLANKENSHIP

Office address: Stone County Courthouse, PO Box 18, Galena 65656; phone (417) 357-6511.

County: Stone.

Biography: Born in Neosho. Graduate of University of Arkansas and Missouri Southern State University, B.S., B.A., accounting; University of Missouri, J.D. and certified public accountant, 1987. Married Dee Ann Casey, June 27, 1987; they have three children. Served on the professional audit staff with the Missouri State Auditor's Office, 1984–1987. Served in private law practice, 1991–2002. Served as municipal judge for Kimberling City and Branson West. Member: Judicial Weighted Workload Steering Committee; Trial Judge Education Committee; Living Word Church and American Legion Missouri Boys State Executive Committee. Elected associate circuit judge, 2002. Retained in 2006–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.

Circuit 39

MARK A. STEPHENS

Office address: Stone County Courthouse, PO Box 18, Galena 65656; phone (417) 357-6114.

County: Stone.

Biography: Born in Wichita, Kansas. Served in U.S. Army Military Police Corps, 1978–1985. Graduate of WSU, B.S., administration of justice, *cum laude*; University of Missouri–Columbia, J.D., 1994. Married to Monica H. Stephens; they have four children and five grandchildren. He lives in the Ozarks, near Crane. Member: Hurley Community Baptist Church; Missouri Bar Association; Missouri Association of Probate and Associate Judges; Southern Gospel Music Association; private practice, Van Matre & Harrison, Columbia, 1994–1999 and solo general practice, Aurora, 1999–2009. Elected as associate circuit judge, 2009. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 40

JOHN LePAGE

Office address: McDonald County Courthouse, PO Box 157, Pineville 64856; phone (417) 223-7512.

County: McDonald.

Biography: Born in Jefferson City. Graduate of Bemidji State Univ., B.A. 1980; University of Missouri–Columbia, J.D., 1983. Married to Marci G. McNeill; they have two children, Melodi and Trist McDaniel and six grandchildren. Member: Anderson United Methodist Church. Former board member and past president of Missouri Association of Probate and Associate Judges. Judicial Records Committee, 2005–present. Circuit Court Budget Committee, 2016–present. Committee on Language Access, 2013–present. Civil Justice Reform Commission, 2019–present. Elected 1998. Re-elected: 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 40

CHRISTINE RHOADES

Office address: 123 E. Main St., Neosho 64850; phone (417) 451-8210.

County: Newton.

Biography: Born in Columbia, Missouri. Graduate of University of Missouri–Columbia, B.A. Psychology, 1993; and Washington University in St. Louis School of Law, J.D., 1996. Missouri State public defender, 1996–1997. Rhoades Law Offices, P.C., Neosho, Mo., 1997–2018. Member of the Missouri Bar Association and the Newton-McDonald County Bar Association. Board member, Neosho Schools Charitable Foundation. Member, P.E.O. Sisterhood. Elected Aug. 7, 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 40

JACOB R. SKOUBY JR.

Office address: 123 E. Main St., Neosho 64850; phone (417) 451-8210.

County: Newton.

Biography: Not available.





Circuit 41

KRISTEN BURKS

Office address: Macon County Courthouse, 101 E. Washington St., Bldg. 2, Ste. 1, Macon 63552; phone (660) 395-9048.

County: Macon.

Biography: Born at Offutt AFB, Nebraska. Graduate of Central High School, St. Joseph, Mo., 1992; University of Missouri–Columbia, B.A. in Spanish, 1996; University of Missouri–Kansas City, School of Law, 1999. Married to Matthew Burks with three children. Staff attorney for Legal Aid of Western Missouri, then Jackson County assistant prosecuting attorney. Engaged in private practice in Macon, Macon County assistant prosecuting attorney and attorney for Macon County Juvenile Office. Elected associate circuit judge, 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Independent.



Circuit 41

MIKE GREENWELL

Office address: Shelby County Courthouse, PO Box 206, Shelbyville 63469; phone (573) 633-2251.

County: Shelby.

Biography: Born in Hannibal. Graduate of South Shelby High School, 1978; Northeast Missouri State University (now Truman State University), B.S., agriculture, 1983; University of Dayton, J.D., 1986. Married Marcia Love, Aug. 4, 1984. Engaged in the private practice of law in Shelbyville, 1986–2010. Member: Missouri Ethics Commission, 1998–2002, chair 2001–2002; Missouri Bar Association Board of Governors, 2001–2008; Truman State University Board of Governors, 2008–2011; American Bar Association; Missouri Bar Association; 41st Circuit Bar Association; Shelbyville Lions Club; Knights of Columbus and St. Mary's Catholic Church. Elected associate circuit judge, 2010. Retained in 2014 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Democrat.



Circuit 42

PATRICK J. HORSEFIELD

Office address: Crawford County Courthouse, PO Box 1550, Steelville 65565; phone (573) 775-2149.

County: Crawford.

Biography: Born in Cuba, Missouri. Graduate of Crawford County R-II (Cuba) High School, 1991; Northeast Missouri State University (now Truman State University), B.A. Political Science, Justice Systems minor, 1995; University of Missouri–Columbia School of Law, Candidate for Missouri Environmental Law and Policy Review, J.D., 2000. Married to Jennifer with 4 children. Engaged in the private practice of law in Rolla with Steelman & Gaunt, 2000–2003; partner in Steelman, Gaunt & Horsefield, 2004–2018. Elected associate circuit judge, 2018, Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 42

NATHAN T. KELSAW

Office address: Dent County Judicial Bldg., 112 E. Fifth St., Salem 65560; phone (573) 729-3134.

County: Dent

Biography: Born in Florissant. Graduate of McCluer North High School, Florissant, 2001; Southwest Missouri State University, B.S., 2005; Saint Louis University, J.D., 2010. Married with one daughter. Missouri public defender, 2011–2012; private practice, 2012–2018; assistant prosecuting attorney for Dent County, 2015–2018; assistant prosecuting attorney for Texas County, 2017–2018. Elected associate circuit judge, 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.

Circuit 42

SCOTT J. SCHRUM

Office address: Iron County Courthouse, 250 S. Main St., Ste. 220, Ironton 63650; phone (573) 546-5700.

County: Iron.

Biography: Not available.



Circuit 42

BENJAMIN E. THOMPSON

Office address: Reynolds County Courthouse, PO Box 39, Centerville 63633; phone (573) 648-2494.

County: Reynolds.

Biography: Born in Poplar Bluff. Graduate of University of Missouri–Columbia, B.S., finance and banking, 2001; University of Missouri–Columbia, J.D., 2006. Missouri Army National Guard, Military Police, 1998–2007; veteran, Operation Enduring Freedom. Member: Veterans of Foreign Wars (life member–Lesterville Post 6660), American Bar Assoc., Missouri Assoc. of Associate Circuit Judges, Missouri Fostering Court Improvement Project, Missouri Juvenile Justice Assoc. Elected Reynolds County prosecuting attorney, 2015–2016. Appointed associate circuit judge, 2016. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Democrat.



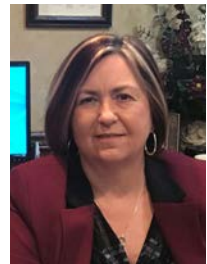
Circuit 42

CHRISTINA L. KIME

Office address: Wayne County Courthouse, PO Box 78, Greenville 63944; phone (573) 224-5600.

County: Wayne.

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Graduate of Clearwater R-1 High School in Piedmont, B.A. in English at School of the Ozarks, Point Lookout and J.D. from University of Missouri–Columbia School of Law, 1984–1987. Staff of *Missouri Law Review* and member of The Order of the Coif. Served as a law clerk for the Honorable Robert E. Crist, Missouri Court of Appeals, Eastern District of Missouri, 1987–1989. Recipient of the Philip S. Huffman Memorial Award by Legal Services of Southern Missouri. Past president of Piedmont Rotary Club, former Rotarian of the Year and named a Paul Harris Fellow by the Rotary Foundation. Appointed associate circuit judge by Gov. Michael L. Parson, Aug. 10, 2018. Elected November 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Democrat.



Circuit 43

JASON KANOY

Office address: Caldwell County Courthouse, PO Box 68, Kingston 64650; phone (816) 586-2771.

County: Caldwell.

Biography: Not available. Took office Jan. 1, 2007. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Independent.





Circuit 43

TERESA L. BINGHAM

Office address: Clinton County Courthouse, PO Box 275, Plattsburg 64477; phone (816) 539-3755.

County: Clinton.

Biography: Born in St. Louis. Graduate of Washburn University, B.A., *cum laude*; University of Kansas School of Law, J.D. She is married with two adult children. She began practicing law with the law firm of Morrison, Frost and Olsen in Manhattan, Kan. She then returned to Kansas City and practiced law with the Jackson County public administrator for 12 years. Before being elected as Clinton County associate judge, she practiced with UAW Legal Services plan, doing most of the estate planning and probate work. She has been involved with a Science Olympiad coach, Girl Scouts as a leader and is also a part time youth leader for two rural churches. Elected 2014. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022.

Circuit 43

DAREN L. ADKINS

Office address: Daviess County Courthouse, PO Box 233, Gallatin 64640; phone (660) 663-2532.

County: Daviess.

Biography: Born in Bethany. Graduate of Baylor University, B.A., 1990; University of Tulsa School of Law; University of Missouri–Kansas City, J.D. Miller, Seidel, & Havens associate, 1994–1997. Miller, Seidel, Havens, & Adkins, LLP, 1997–1999. Member: Gallatin Rotary Club, past president; Gallatin Area Revitalization Alliance, vice president; Daviess County Library Board, president, 2015–present; Gallatin United Methodist Church; Gallatin R-V School Board, 1996–1999. Associate circuit judge, Daviess County, 1999–present. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022.



Circuit 43

BART SPEAR

Office address: DeKalb County Courthouse, PO Box 248, Maysville, 64469; phone (816) 449-2602

County: DeKalb.

Biography: Graduate of Central Methodist College, B.A., 1981; University of Missouri–Columbia School of Law, J.D., 1984. Engaged in private practice in Cameron, 1984–2009; assistant prosecuting attorney, DeKalb County, 1990–1994; appointed DeKalb County prosecuting attorney by Gov. Mel Carnahan, 1994; assistant child support enforcement prosecuting attorney, 43rd Judicial Circuit, 1995 and elected DeKalb County prosecuting attorney, 1998–2006. Serves on Clinco Sheltered Industries board of directors. Member: Cameron Elks Lodge No. 2615, Cameron United Methodist Church, Maysville Area Chamber of Commerce and Fairport Lions Club. Appointed associate circuit judge by Gov. Jeremiah (Jay) Nixon, 2009. Elected associate circuit judge, 2010. Retained in 2014 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022.



Circuit 43

MICHAEL R. LEAMER

Office address: Livingston County Courthouse, 700 Webster St., Ste. 8, Chillicothe 64601; phone (660) 646-8000.

County: Livingston.

Biography: Born in Richmond, Missouri. Graduate of the University of Missouri, B.S.Ed, 1995; University of Missouri School of Law, J.D., 1999. General practice of law, Cleaveland, Macoubrie & Cox, L.L.C., 2000–2018. Member of the Chillicothe Methodist Church; Chillicothe Rotary Club, past president; Friendship Lodge #89; Area Youth Benefit Fund, board of directors, president; Chillicothe R-2 School Board, 2008–2017, past president; The Missouri Bar; Livingston County Bar Association, past president and The Missouri Bar Foundation. Elected associate circuit judge, 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 44

ELIZABETH BOCK

Office address: Douglas County Courthouse, PO Box 249, Ava 65608; phone (417) 683-4713.

County: Douglas.

Biography: Born in St. Louis, raised in New Madrid, Missouri. Graduate of William Woods College, B.A. in history and English, 1983 with honors; University of Missouri–Kansas City School of Law, J.D., 1986. Served as an assistant public defender, 1986–1995; Greene County assistant prosecuting attorney, 1995–1999; assistant attorney general, 1999–2013 in Public Safety Division handling special prosecutions. Member: St. Leo the Great Parish, Ava and Ava Kiwanis Club. Appointed associate circuit judge in January 2013 by Gov. Jeremiah (Jay) Nixon. Elected associate circuit judge in 2014. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 44

RAYMOND M. GROSS

Office address: Ozark County Courthouse, PO Box 278, Gainesville 65655; phone (417) 679-4611.

County: Ozark.

Biography: Born in St. Louis. University of Missouri, B.A., 1999, Bright Flight, Curators' Scholar; St. Louis University, J.D., 2004, 1843 Scholar. Private practice, 2004–2018. Elected associate circuit judge, 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 44

LYNETTE B. VEENSTRA

Office address: Wright County Courthouse, PO Box 58, Hartville 65667; phone (417) 741-6505.

County: Wright.

Biography: Born in Luverne, Minnesota. Graduate of Southwest Missouri State Univ., B.S., economics, 1990, *summa cum laude*; Vanderbilt Univ., J.D., 1993, Order of the Coif. Married Leon Veenstra, Dec. 19, 1992. They have three children. Member: Mansfield Cumberland Presbyterian Church. Served in private practice, 1993–2002. Licensed in Missouri and California. Elected associate circuit judge in 2002. Retained in 2006–2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 45

GREGORY K. ALLSBERRY

Office address: Lincoln County Justice Center, 45 Business Park Dr., Troy 63379; phone (636) 528-0326.

County: Lincoln.

Biography: Born in Pocatello, Idaho. Graduate of Concordia University Chicago, 1979. Washington University School of Law, J.D. 1984. Articles Editor, *Journal of Urban and Contemporary Law*, 1983–1984. Judicial clerk, U.S. District Judge James H. Meredith, 1983–1984. Former prosecuting attorney for City of Frontenac and City of Pagedale. Engaged in private practice of law, 1984–2014. Associate at Bill T. Walker & Associates, 1984–1987. Associate and partner, Susman, Schermer, Rimmel & Shifrin, 1987–1999. Gregory K. Allsberry, L.C., 1999–2014. Member, National Association of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, Missouri Bar Association, Missouri Association of Probate and Associate Circuit Judges, Peace Lutheran Church. Former board member, Christ Community Lutheran School. Elected associate circuit judge, 2014. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.





Circuit 45 **JAMES D. BECK**

Office address: Lincoln County Justice Center, 45 Business Park Dr., Troy, 63379; phone (636) 528-9168.

County: Lincoln.

Biography: Born in Troy. Graduate of Lindenwood College, B.S., 1990; Washington University School of Law, J.D., 1993. Married to Kendra Beck, July 17, 1999; three children. Missouri assistant public defender, 1993–1994; Missouri district public defender for the 45th Judicial Circuit, 1994–1997; began private practice, 1997, with Mueller & Suddarth, and continued in private practice with Mueller, Beck & Meyer until taking the bench on Jan. 1, 2011. Member: Missouri Bar Assoc.; Missouri Assoc. of Probate and Associate Circuit Judges; Missouri Municipal and Associate Circuit Judges; Troy Bible Holiness Church; Troy Area Chamber of Commerce, past president; Troy Kiwanis Club, past president; Troy Rotary Club, past president; Troy Elks Lodge; Lincoln County Bar Assoc., past president; Lincoln County Habitat for Humanity, past board member. Elected 2010. Retained in 2014 and 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 45 **MILAN BERRY**

Office address: Pike County Courthouse, 115 W. Main, Bowling Green 63334; phone (573) 324-5582.

County: Pike.

Biography: Born in Cortland, New York. Raised in North St. Louis County and graduated from Rosary High School. Graduate of the University of Missouri, 2000 and University of Missouri–Kansas City, School of Law, 2003. Admitted to the Missouri Bar, 2004 and the Kansas Bar, 2005. Public defender with the State of Missouri for almost 10 years before taking the bench in 2019. Spent four years as stay at home dad in Switzerland when wife, Kathleen was on a foreign assignment. They have four children; Layla, Carter, Nolan and Brigman. Since returning to the U.S., has hosted four German Speaking exchange students. Family is active at St. Clement Catholic Church. Coaches youth basketball, soccer and baseball. Worked way through school by driving a tractor trailer and keeps his CDL and certifications current. Known to relax by taking a Peterbilt to Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Elected 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 46 **ERIC D. EIGHMY**

Office address: Taney County Courthouse, PO Box 129, Forsyth 65653; phone (417) 546-7230.

County: Taney.

Biography: Not available. Elected associate circuit judge, 2014. Retained in 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.



Circuit 46 **R. TIFFANY YARNELL**

Office address: Taney County Courthouse, PO Box 129, Forsyth 65653; phone (417) 546-7230.

County: Taney.

Biography: Born Renee Tiffany Grojean in Sikeston. Graduate of Sikeston Senior High School, 1998; Columbia College, *magna cum laude*, B.S. Criminal Justice Administration, 2002; University of Missouri–Kansas City, School of Law, J.D., 2005. Married David A. Yarnell, Oct. 14, 2006, two children. Formerly: President of Criminal Justice Students Assoc., C.J. National Honor Society, UMKC Student Bar Assoc. class rep., vice president, Taney County Federated Republican Women. Was an assistant prosecuting atty., Greene Co., 2005–07; asst. prosecuting atty., Taney Co., 2007–11, chief asst. prosecuting atty., Taney Co., 2011–17. Current member: Missouri Association of Probate and Associate Circuit Judges, Missouri Bar Association, Taney County Bar Association. Appointed associate circuit judge, January 2017. Elected 2018. Term expires Dec. 31, 2022. Republican.

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Beck, James D.	Associate	45th
Beetem, Jon E.	Circuit	19th
Beger, John D.	Circuit	25th
Benton, Megan B.	Associate	6th
Bellamy, W. Page	Associate	15th
Berry, Milan	Associate	45th
Beussink, Adam J.	Associate	32nd
Bingham, Teresa L.	Associate	43rd
Bird, John T.	Circuit	16th
Bird-Riley, Kea S.	Associate	16th
Blankenship, Alan	Associate	39th
Bock, Elizabeth A.	Associate	44th
Bolander, David L.	Circuit	5th
Borbonus, John D.	Circuit	21st
Borthwick, Becky J. W.	Circuit	31st
Boyer, Timothy J.	Associate	22nd
Brandt, Sonya D.	Associate	20th
Breckenridge, Patricia	Supreme Court	
Brehe-Krueger, Ada	Associate	20th
Brewer, Craig D.	Associate	32nd
Brewer, Sandra M.	Associate	37th
Broniec, Kelly C.	Appellate Eastern	
Brown, Jason	Circuit	31st
Bryant, Paula P.	Circuit	22nd
Burke, Theresa Counts	Circuit	22nd
Burks, Kristen D.	Associate	41st
Burlison, Erin S.	Associate	11th
Burlison, Rex M.	Circuit	22nd
Burnett, S Margene	Circuit	16th
Burrell, Don E. Jr.	Appellate Southern	
Bushur, Jeffrey L.	Associate	16th
Caine, Adam L.	Circuit	16th
Calvert, Mark D.	Associate	25th
Campbell, Patrick W.	Circuit	16th
Cardona, Troy A.	Circuit	23rd
Carrier, James Ronald (Ron)	Associate	31st
Carroz, Nathan A.	Associate	12th
Carter, R. Craig	Circuit	44th
Carter, William W.	Associate	34th
Castle, Sarah A.	Circuit	16th
Chamberlain, David	Circuit	7th
Chapman, Thomas N.	Appellate Western	
Clark, Thomas C. II	Appellate Eastern	
Clayton, Kenneth G.	Associate	25th
Clayton, Robert M. III	Appellate Eastern	
Colbert-Butchway, Nicole	Associate	22nd
Cole, David A.	Circuit	39th
Coleman, Jeffrey T.	Associate	23rd
Collins, William B.	Circuit	17th
Colona, Michael J.	Associate	22nd
Conger-Koenig, Holly	Associate	1st
Connolly, Madeline O.	Circuit	22nd
Cooksey, James M.	Associate	14th
Cordonnier, Michael J.	Circuit	31st
Corrigan, William M. Jr.	Circuit	21st
Cox, Jeffrey L.	Associate	17th
Cox, Johnnie E.	Associate	39th
Crane, Gayle L.	Circuit	29th
Crane, Kevin	Circuit	13th
Crane, Sue M.	Associate	13th
Cundiff, Terry R.	Associate	11th
Cunningham, Heather R.	Associate	21st
Cunningham, Jon A.	Circuit	11th
Currie, W. Keith	Associate	34th
Dankelson, Dean G.	Circuit	29th
Davis, K. Elizabeth	Circuit	7th
Del Muro, Justine E.	Circuit	16th
Devine, Joshua C.	Circuit	13th
Devoy, William P.	Associate	9th
Dodson, Jason D.	Circuit	21st
Dodson, W. Sue	Associate	17th
Dolan, Colleen	Appellate Eastern	
Dolan, David A.	Circuit	33rd
Donnelly, Margaret T.	Circuit	21st
Dougherty, Shannon R.	Associate	23rd
Dowd, David L.	Circuit	22nd
Dowd, James M.	Appellate Eastern	
Draper, George W. III	Supreme Court	
Dueker, Joseph S.	Circuit	21st
Dump, Harold L. II	Associate	27th
Dunne, Ellen Wyatt	Associate	21st
Eckold, Dennis C.	Associate	6th
Eighmy, Eric D.	Associate	46th
Elliott, R. Brent	Circuit	43rd
England, Carol A.	Associate	13th
Fagras, Michael J.	Circuit	11th
Fahnestock, Joel Paige	Circuit	16th
Farragut-Hemphill, Sandra	Circuit	21st
Fincham, Thomas C.	Circuit	6th
Fischer, Zel M.	Supreme Court	
Fisher, Brandon B.	Associate	28th
Flook, Timothy J.	Associate	7th
Flynn, Patrick	Circuit	45th
Foulke, Robert J.	Associate	39th
Fowler, Katherine M.	Circuit	22nd
Francis, William W. Jr.	Appellate Southern	
Frank, Samuel D.	Associate	3rd
Fulton, Robin Edward	Associate	24th
Gabbert, A. Rex	Appellate Western	
Gaertner, Gary M. Jr.	Appellate Eastern	
Gardner, Michael E.	Appellate Eastern	
Garrett, Kenneth R. III	Circuit	16th
Gaston, Douglas D.	Associate	25th
Gebhardt, Mason R.	Associate	14th
Ghasedi, Mondonna (Mondi)	Associate	21st
Gilley, Michael J.	Associate	26th
Gonzalez, Tracy Z.	Associate	13th
Goodman, Jack A. L.	Appellate Southern	

Grantham, J. Stephen	Associate	26th	Kruse, Russell J.	Associate	15th
Green, Daniel R.	Circuit	19th	Lamb, Jason H.	Circuit	12th
Green, Joseph L.	Associate	21st	Lamke, I. I.	Circuit	20th
Greenwell, Mike	Associate	41st	Lasater, John R.	Associate	21st
Gross, Raymond M.	Associate	44th	Lasater, Julia P.	Associate	21st
Growcock, Jennifer R.	Circuit	38th	Lay, Virginia	Associate	21st
Hackett, James A.	Associate	30th	Leamer, Michael R.	Associate	43rd
Hamlett, Linda R.	Associate	12th	LePage, John	Associate	40th
Hamner, Matthew P.	Circuit	26th	Lett, Stacey Jo	Associate	17th
Hansbrough, W. Ann	Circuit	6th	Levy, Ellen S.	Circuit	21st
Hardin-Tammons, Renee D.	Circuit	21st	Lewis, Ben	Circuit	32nd
Hardwick, Lisa White	Appellate Western		Limbaugh, Christopher K.	Associate	19th
Harmison, Jerry A. Jr.	Associate	31st	Lipke, Scott A.	Circuit	32nd
Harrell, Kevin D.	Circuit	16th	Llewellyn, Annette	Circuit	22nd
Harris, Jeff	Circuit	13th	Long, Colin	Associate	25th
Harvey, Hugh C.	Associate	15th	Long, Susan E.	Associate	16th
Hayden, Kenneth M.	Circuit	26th	Lovekamp, Kelly Laree	Associate	1st
Hayes, Scott	Circuit	14th	Lynch, Gary W.	Appellate Southern	
Headrick, Michael V.	Associate	25th	Lynxwiler, Steven F.	Associate	37th
Hearne, Matthew H.	Associate	21st	Manansala, Antonio (Tony)	Associate	23rd
Heggie, Robert M.	Associate	21st	Marquart, Keith	Associate	5th
Hellmann, Craig E.	Circuit	20th	Martin, Aaron	Associate	26th
Hemenway, Jay	Associate	3rd	Martin, Cynthia L.	Appellate Western	
Henderson, Lisa Carter	Associate	30th	Mason, David C.	Circuit	22nd
Hendrickson, Michael O.	Circuit	30th	Mason-White, Tracey	Associate	9th
Hensley, Joseph L.	Associate	29th	May, Brian H.	Circuit	21st
Herron, Corey K.	Associate	4th	Mayer, Robert N.	Circuit	35th
Hess, Philip M.	Appellate Eastern		McCarthy, Thomas A.	Associate	22nd
Hettenbach, Bryan L.	Circuit	22nd	McDonough, Chris	Associate	11th
Hickle, William E.	Circuit	25th	McGaugh, Joe Don	Associate	8th
Higgins, Craig K.	Associate	22nd	McGinley, Rebecca S.	Associate	4th
Highley, Julie	Associate	27th	McGough, Christopher E.	Circuit	22nd
Hilton, Bruce F.	Circuit	21st	McKenzie, Charles H.	Circuit	16th
Hogan, Elizabeth B.	Circuit	22nd	McLaughlin, Nancy M. Watkins	Circuit	21st
Holcomb, Jerry L.	Associate	29th	McNelly, Amanda Bundren	Associate	21st
Holden, Calvin	Associate	31st	Medler, Jeffrey P.	Associate	21st
Horack, R. Zac	Associate	33rd	Melenbrink, Victor J.	Circuit	23rd
Horn, Wendy L. Wexler	Circuit	24th	Merrell, Jeffrey M.	Circuit	46th
Horsefield, Patrick	Associate	42nd	Miller, Frank E.	Associate	32nd
Horsman, Ryan	Circuit	43rd	Miller, Heather L.	Associate	26th
Hosmer, D. Andrew	Associate	31st	Miller, Joel	Associate	4th
Hoven, David L.	Associate	20th	Miller, Timothy S.	Associate	23rd
Howell, Jason M.	Associate	17th	Millikan, Scott B.	Circuit	22nd
Hudson, Steven D.	Associate	3rd	Missey, Darrell	Circuit	23rd
Hyde, Troy	Associate	24th	Mitchell, Karen King	Appellate Western	
Inman, Timothy W.	Associate	24th	Mittefhauser, Jeff A.	Associate	18th
Jackson, John J.	Associate	10th	Mobley, David C.	Associate	10th
Jackson, Steve B.	Associate	26th	Moon, Corey R.	Associate	2nd
Jacobs, J. Brouck	Circuit	13th	Moriarty, Joan L.	Circuit	22nd
Jarrell, Bradley D.	Associate	35th	Morrell, Stephanie M.	Associate	13th
Johnson, Laura J.	Circuit	38th	Mountjoy, Thomas E.	Circuit	31st
Jones, David	Circuit	31st	Mouton, David B.	Circuit	29th
Kaltenbronn, Jon A.	Associate	26th	Mullen, Michael K.	Circuit	22nd
Kanatzar, James F.	Circuit	16th	Munion, David R.	Circuit	28th
Kanoy, Jason A.	Associate	43rd	Myers, T. Todd	Associate	31st
Kasper, Matthew R.	Associate	39th	Navarro-McKelvey, Rebeca M.	Circuit	11th
Keal, Jeffrey C.	Associate	16th	Newsham, John F.	Associate	21st
Kellogg, Daniel F.	Circuit	5th	Nicholas, John A.	Associate	29th
Kelsaw, Nathan T.	Associate	42nd	Nichols, James V.	Associate	28th
Kerr, Kristine A.	Circuit	21st	Nicoli, Kimberly J.	Associate	1st
Kime, Christina L.	Associate	42nd	Noble, Michael	Circuit	22nd
King, Patrick L.	Associate	24th	Odenwald, Kurt S.	Appellate Eastern	
Koeppen, Aaron G.	Circuit	26th	O'Hara, Alisha D.	Associate	7th
Koester, Julia M.	Associate	32nd			
Koffman, Robert L.	Circuit	18th			
Krauser, Karen L.	Associate	7th			
Krohn, Matthew M.	Associate	3rd			
Kruse, Jessica L.	Associate	38th			

Ohlms, Phillip	Associate	11th	Shafer, Abe (Quint) V	Associate	6th
Ohmer, Steven R.	Circuit	22nd	Shaw, Kimberly J.	Associate	13th
Ordnung, Michael J.	Associate	5th	Sheffield, Mary W.	Appellate Southern	
Ott, Mary Elizabeth	Circuit	21st	Shepherd, Rachel Bringer	Circuit	10th
Otto, Jalilah	Circuit	16th	Shock, John H.	Associate	36th
Page, Edward L.	Associate	23rd	Sifferman, Scott S.	Associate	39th
Page, Lisa K.	Appellate Eastern		Skouby, Jacob R. Jr.	Associate	40th
Palmietto, Margaret E.	Associate	31st	Smith, Brittney R.	Associate	11th
Pearson, D. Blake	Associate	33rd	Smith, Talley M.	Associate	10th
Peebles, Barbara T.	Associate	22nd	Spear, Bart	Associate	43rd
Pelikan, Daniel	Circuit	11th	Spencer, Rebecca L.	Associate	5th
Perkins, Lynne R.	Associate	22nd	Spielman, John C.	Associate	35th
Pfeiffer, Mark D.	Appellate Western		Stacey, Brenda	Circuit	23rd
Phillips, Jennifer M.	Circuit	16th	Steele, Russell E.	Circuit	2nd
Pierce, C. Wade	Associate	36th	Steimel, Norman C. III	Associate	11th
Pilley, Mark B.	Associate	27th	Stelzer, Michael F.	Circuit	22nd
Poor, Jerel L. III	Circuit	24th	Stephens, Mark	Associate	39th
Porter, John	Associate	30th	Stewart, Richard M.	Circuit	21st
Powell, Mark A.	Associate	31st	Stockdale, Kyndra J.	Associate	16th
Powell, W. Brent	Supreme Court		Stovall-Reid, Calea	Circuit	22nd
Preyer, H. Mark	Associate	35th	Stremel, Gregory	Circuit	40th
Pritchett, Michael M.	Circuit	36th	Stumpe, Brian	Associate	19th
Privette, Steven M.	Circuit	37th	Styles, Mark A. Jr.	Circuit	16th
Prokes, Roger M.	Circuit	4th	Sullivan, James E.	Circuit	22nd
Purschke, Joseph W.	Associate	20th	Sullivan, Sherri B.	Appellate Eastern	
Pyle, Thomas G.	Associate	28th	Sutton, Janet	Circuit	7th
Quigless, Angela T.	Appellate Eastern		Swaim, Kristie	Associate	2nd
Randazzo, Mike	Circuit	42nd	Swann, Elizabeth	Associate	11th
Ransom, Robin	Supreme Court		Swindle, Thomas D.	Associate	36th
Rathert, Joseph A.	Circuit	23rd	Teichman, Brent F.	Associate	17th
Ray, R. David	Associate	37th	Thompson, Benjamin E.	Associate	42nd
Redington, Thomas P.	Associate	2nd	Thomson, W. Douglas	Appellate Western	
Reeves, Wm Edward	Circuit	34th	Thornhill, Mathew	Associate	11th
Rellihan, Jerry J.	Associate	27th	Torbitzky, John P.	Appellate Eastern	
Replogle, David C.	Associate	30th	Torrence, John M.	Circuit	16th
Rhoades, A. Christina	Associate	40th	Troxell, Gary A.	Associate	28th
Ribaudo, Nellie	Circuit	21st	Tschannen, Terry A.	Circuit	9th
Rice, Robert (Bob) L.	Associate	4th	Tucker, Frederick P.	Circuit	41st
Richards, W M	Associate	4th	Tunnell, David T.	Associate	30th
Rigby, Twila K.	Associate	16th	Underwood, Joshua D.	Associate	34th
Robb, Patrick	Circuit	5th	Vandeloecht,		
Roberts, Rick R.	Circuit	1st	Andrea Ravens	Associate	9th
Rodecap, Janette K.	Associate	16th	Veenstra, Lynette	Associate	44th
Rohrs, Elizabeth V.	Associate	30th	Vincent, David Lee III	Circuit	21st
Roither, David A.	Associate	22nd	Wagner, Mike	Circuit	17th
Roldan, Marco	Circuit	16th	Waldemer, Dean P.	Circuit	21st
Rolf, Dennis A.	Circuit	15th	Walden, Kevin L.	Circuit	8th
Rose, Kelly Halford	Associate	15th	Walker, S. Cotton	Circuit	19th
Round, Bryan E.	Circuit	16th	Wallach, Stanley J.	Circuit	21st
Rowden, Kerry G.	Associate	25th	Walsh, Joseph L. III	Circuit	21st
Rumley, J Mike	Associate	17th	Weir, Mary F.	Associate	16th
Russell, Mary R.	Supreme Court		Whyte, Joseph P.	Circuit	22nd
Satterfield, Joe Z.	Associate	35th	Williams, Stanley D.	Associate	20th
Schaefer, Kate	Circuit	5th	Willingham, R. Travis	Associate	16th
Scheibe, Richard L.	Associate	12th	Wilson, Paul C.	Supreme Court	
Schneider, Leslie	Associate	13th	Winfrey, Larry	Associate	26th
Schrum, Scott J.	Associate	42nd	Witt, Gary D.	Appellate Western	
Seay, Megan	Circuit	42nd	Wright, Clinton R.	Circuit	22nd
Sechrest, Brice	Associate	24th	Wright, Michael S.	Associate	12th
Selby, Kevin	Circuit	40th	Yarnell, R. Tiffany	Associate	46th
Sengheiser, Jason M.	Circuit	22nd	Youngs, J. Dale	Circuit	16th
Senkel,			Zellweger, Nicole S.	Associate	21st
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Judicial Organizations

Commission on Retirement, Removal and Discipline

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The Commission on Retirement, Removal and Discipline of Judges was created by a constitutional amendment in 1970. It began operating Jan. 1, 1972, and is governed by Supreme Court Rule 12.

The commission is responsible for receiving and investigating all requests and suggestions for the retirement of judges because of disability and all complaints concerning the alleged misconduct of judges and members of judicial commissions. It is composed of six members who serve six-year terms. Two non-lawyers are appointed by the governor, two lawyers are appointed by The Missouri Bar's governing body, one court of appeals judge is selected by court of appeals judges and one circuit judge is selected by the state's circuit judges.

The members are: Cary J. Mogerman, chair, attorney, Clayton; Michelle Aycocock, lay member, Parma; Rev. Dr. Carlton R. Caldwell, lay member, St. Louis County; Hon. Gary M. Gaertner Jr., appellate judge, Missouri Court of Appeals, Eastern District; Hon. Laura J. Johnson, circuit judge, 38th Judicial Circuit (Christian County, Ozark) and Patrick B. Starke, attorney, Blue Springs.

On receiving a complaint against a judge or member of a judicial commission, the commission conducts an investigation. If at least four members of the commission find there is probable cause to believe the person may be guilty of misconduct, incompetency or other action constituting grounds for discipline as listed in Rule 12.08, a formal hearing is conducted. If at least four members find the person investigated should be disciplined, a report containing findings of fact and conclusions of law is made to the Supreme Court with recommendations for discipline (removal from office, suspension or reprimand). The court then makes a final ruling based on the commission's record and transcript.

A similar procedure is followed in cases involving retirements because of disability.

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To protect the public from persons unqualified or unauthorized to practice law, the Supreme Court of Missouri has established an attorney discipline system. The Supreme Court appoints a chief disciplinary counsel to investigate allegations of professional misconduct, incompetence and incapacity of lawyers. The Court also has established an Advisory Committee, which oversees the disciplinary hearing process. Complaints filed against attorneys are reviewed by the Office of Chief Disciplinary Counsel. Regional disciplinary committees located in Kansas City, Springfield and St. Louis—composed of at least four lawyers and two nonlawyers—also may investigate complaints referred to them by the chief disciplinary counsel or the Advisory Committee.

If the chief disciplinary counsel or a regional disciplinary committee finds there is probable cause to believe a lawyer is guilty of professional misconduct, they may issue a written admonition to the attorney or file information making specific allegations of the lawyer's violations of the Rules of Professional Conduct. The lawyer may request a hearing to be held by a disciplinary hearing panel composed of two lawyers and one nonlawyer, all of whom are appointed as disciplinary hearing officers by the Supreme Court. If the disciplinary hearing panel finds, by a preponderance of the evidence, that the lawyer is guilty of misconduct, it makes recommended findings of fact, conclusions of law and recommendations for discipline, which then are filed in the Supreme Court. It is the Supreme Court's responsibility to impose discipline. If a lawyer who has been suspended or disbarred later seeks reinstatement, the chief disciplinary counsel investigates the application. The chief disciplinary counsel also investigates the unauthorized practice of law and takes appropriate action to stop such practices. The chief disciplinary counsel is Alan Pratzel.

In addition to providing oversight of the disciplinary hearing process, the Advisory Committee, upon request of the complainant, reviews complaint files that have been closed after investigation, at the request of the complainant. It also may issue formal ethics opinions, interpreting Supreme Court Rules 4, 5 and 6. Members of the Advisory Committee, appointed by the Supreme Court are: Dorothy L. White-Coleman, chair, St. Louis; Da-

vid Ansley, Springfield; Edward C. Clausen, vice chair, Jefferson City; Sheryl Butler, St. Louis; Keith A. Cutler, Kansas City; Jill A. Kanatzar, Kansas City; Levell D. Littleton, St. Louis; Elizabeth McCarter, St. Louis; Dan R. Nelson, Springfield; Dale Siebeneck, Jefferson City; Kirby Upjohn, Kansas City; and Branson L. Wood III, Hannibal.

The legal ethics counsel, who serves as staff and counsel to the Advisory Committee, may give nonbinding informal advisory opinions, interpreting Supreme Court Rules 4, 5 and 6 to members of the bar. The legal ethics counsel is Melinda Bentley.

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Established by rule of the Supreme Court of Missouri in 1944, The Missouri Bar is the official organization of all Missouri lawyers. Its executive director is Mischa Buford Epps.

Administrative

The Missouri Bar's Minimum Continuing Legal Education (MCLE) department administers Supreme Court Rule 15 regarding continuing

legal education. Per the Supreme Court of Missouri rule, The Missouri Bar administers the accreditation of education programs, activities, and sponsors as well as the annual reporting of all licensed lawyers in the state concerning each lawyer's compliance with Rule 15 continuing legal education requirements.

Education

The Missouri Bar's Continuing Legal Education Department (MoBarCLE) presents a number of programs—in person, virtually and pre-recorded—to keep lawyers abreast of changes in state and federal laws. These sessions are regularly accompanied by detailed course materials designed to supplement the programs. In addition, the department's renowned deskbook series, supplements and guidebooks provide lawyers with valuable reference materials they can make use of in their own law libraries.

Publications/Public Information

Also available to members are the Legislative Digest, published during and after each year's session of the General Assembly; ESQ., a weekly email with information about law-related events and news; and The Courts Bulletin, a monthly update on recent decisions in pertinent areas of the law.

For more than 50 years, The Missouri Bar has conducted a broad program of public information and education. Thousands of informative resource guides, legal forms and other educational materials about the law are distributed annually, including comprehensive lesson plans for teachers across Missouri. Legal guides, podcasts and other public-directed programming and materials are available at www.mobar.org. The growth of the bar's public information programs has been aided by cooperative ventures with the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, the Missouri Press Association, the Missouri Broadcasters Association, various law schools and other groups and associations.

Other Activities

Other prominent programs and services offered by The Missouri Bar include: a client security fund that considers partial financial reimbursement to eligible clients who have been harmed by the unethical conduct of a lawyer; an online LawyerSearch tool to connect lawyers with Missourians in need of legal assistance; a lawyers' assistance program that offers help to lawyers facing substance use or mental health issues; a complaint resolution program that offers an alternative to the formal lawyer disciplinary system for matters considered to be less serious in nature; a

fee-dispute resolution program that works to resolve disputes between a lawyer and a client over fees charged for services; and many more.

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Judicial Conference of Missouri

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In 1943, the General Assembly established the Judicial Conference of Missouri, which is composed of all state judges. The conference is charged by statute (section 476.350, RSMo) with studying the organization and administration of the state's judicial system, compiling data about the work of various courts and making biennial reports to the General Assembly, including any recommendations the conference may have for improving the laws. Since 1974, the chief justice of the Supreme Court, who is the conference's presiding officer, has presented an annual State of the Judiciary address to a joint session of the General Assembly, reviewing the problems, needs and goals of the judicial branch.

The statute also requires the conference to hold an annual meeting to be attended by all judges. At this meeting, the judges discuss the problems of court administration and invite experts in various fields to speak about matters of particular concern.

The clerk of the Supreme Court provides administrative and staff assistance and also serves as secretary to the executive council and the conference.

Nonpartisan Judicial Nominating Commissions

Under provisions of article V of the Missouri Constitution, any vacancy occurring in the office of judge of the Supreme Court, the court of appeals or the circuit courts within St. Louis City or Jackson County is filled through the "Nonpartisan Selection of Judges Court Plan," adopted through initiative petition at the November 1940 general election, which provides for the governor to appoint one of three qualified persons nominated by a nonpartisan judicial commission. This method of selecting judges was adopted by the voters of the 21st Judicial Circuit (St. Louis County) in 1970; by the voters of the Sixth Judicial Circuit (Platte County) and the Seventh Judicial Circuit (Clay County) in 1973 and by the voters of the

31st Judicial Circuit (Greene County) in November 2008.

Under the Missouri Plan, as it often is called nationally, a vacancy on a court to which the plan applies is filled in the following way. A nonpartisan judicial commission of lay persons, lawyers and a judge selects three persons from those who apply, based on merit. The governor appoints one of the three. A judge appointed in this way must stand for retention in office at the first general election occurring after the judge has been in office for 12 months. The judge's name is placed on a separate judicial ballot, without political party designation and the voters must vote either for or against retention in office. The judge's name again is placed on the ballot for a retention vote at certain intervals if the judge wishes to serve subsequent terms. The Missouri Plan has served as a national model for the selection of judges and has been adopted by a number of other states.

Appellate Judicial Commission

Nominations for judges of the Supreme Court and the Court of Appeals are made by a seven-member Appellate Judicial Commission. It consists of a judge of the Supreme Court selected by the members of the Court and two resident citizens from each of the three court of appeals districts. One lawyer is elected from each district by members of The Missouri Bar residing in that district and one non-lawyer is appointed from each district by the governor. The judge member serves a two-year term, while the other members serve staggered terms of six years each.

Members: Paul C. Wilson, chief justice, Supreme Court of Missouri, chair, June 30, 2023.

From the Missouri Court of Appeals, Eastern District: Timothy M. Drury, lay member, Dec. 31, 2024; Thomas K. Neill, lawyer member, Dec. 31, 2023.

From the Missouri Court of Appeals, Southern District: Neil Chanter, lawyer member, Dec. 31, 2025; Sally Hargis, lay member, Dec. 31, 2026.

From the Missouri Court of Appeals, Western District: Scott S. Bethune, lawyer member, Dec. 31, 2021; Kathy Ritter, lay member, Dec. 31, 2022.

Circuit Judicial Commissions

Nominations for judges of circuit courts are made by a five-member circuit judicial commission consisting of the chief judge of the district of the Court of Appeals in which the circuit or the major portion of its population lies, two lawyers elected by other members of The Missouri Bar re-

siding in the circuit and two non-lawyer residents of the circuit appointed by the governor.

Sixth Circuit (Platte County) Judicial Commission: Cynthia L. Martin, chair, chief judge, Missouri Court of Appeals, Western District, June 30, 2022. Members: Mark M. Ferguson, Kansas City, lawyer member; Julie Elliot, Smithville, lay member; Carla Killen, Kansas City, lay member and Jared P. Welsh, Platte City, lawyer member.

Seventh Circuit (Clay County) Judicial Commission: Cynthia L. Martin, chair, chief judge, Missouri Court of Appeals, Western District, June 30, 2022. Members: Jason C. Starr, Liberty, lay member; Allison Kendrick, Kansas City, lay member; Kate E. Noland, Liberty, lawyer member and James H. Thompson Jr., North Kansas City, lawyer member.

Sixteenth Circuit (Jackson County) Judicial Commission: Cynthia L. Martin, chair, chief judge, Missouri Court of Appeals, Western District, June 30, 2022. Members: Kirk R. Presley, Kansas City, lawyer member; Damon Daniel, Grandview, lay member; Phyllis Norman, Kansas City, lawyer member and Connie Cierpiot, Lee's Summit, lay member.

Twenty-first Circuit (St. Louis County) Judicial Commission: Sherri B. Sullivan, chair, chief judge, Missouri Court of Appeals, Eastern District, June 30, 2022. Members: Tiffany Franklin, Manchester, lay member; William P. Grant, St. Louis, lawyer member; Al Koller III, Fenton, lay member and Jeffrey D. Sigmund, St. Louis, lawyer member.

Twenty-second Circuit (St. Louis) Judicial Commission: Sherri B. Sullivan, chair, chief judge, Missouri Court of Appeals, Eastern District, June 30, 2022. Members: J. Brent Dulle, St. Louis, lawyer member; Chris Goodson, St. Louis, lay member; Andre Harris, St. Louis, lay member and Bryan J. Sanger, St. Louis, lawyer member.

Thirty-first Circuit (Greene County) Judicial Commission: Gary W. Lynch, chair, chief judge, Missouri Court of Appeals, Southern District, June 30, 2022. Members: Kurt Larson, Springfield, lawyer member; Kim Hancock, Republic, lay member; Deborah K. Dodge, Springfield, lawyer member and Joann Hosmer, Springfield, lay member.

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The Office of State Public Defender is created by Section 600.019 RSMo as an independent department of the judicial branch of state

government. The Missouri State Public Defender (MSPD) is the state department created to fulfill the state's constitutional obligation to ensure that all persons facing state criminal prosecution have the assistance of counsel in their defense. MSPD's attorneys provide legal representation to persons who are charged with or challenging convictions for state criminal offenses but do not have the means available to hire defense counsel.

Public Defender Commission

State law (Chapter 600, RSMo) provides for a seven-member Public Defender Commission to oversee the State Public Defender. The members of the commission are appointed by the governor with consent of the Senate and serve without compensation for six-year terms. Four members must be lawyers and no more than four members may be of the same political party.

Members, Public Defender Commission

Atwell, Charles E., chair;
Ferrell, Larry H., vice chair;
Fuhr, Gary B., member;
Hogan, A. Crista, member;
Schad, Rodney, member;
Fox, Mary, *ex officio* member;
Vacancies, 2.

Missouri State Public Defender

MSPD is a statewide department primarily comprised of six legal divisions: Trial Division, Capital Division, Commitment Defense Unit, Children's Defense Team, Appellate/Post-Conviction Division and Parole Revocation Defense Team. Attorneys in district offices within each division provide direct representation to indigent clients.

Trial Division

Trial Division attorneys represent clients charged with felonies, misdemeanors and probation revocations at the state trial court level throughout Missouri.

Capital Division

The Capital Division represents clients where the state seeks the death penalty in the State Trial Court, the State Supreme Court and the United States Supreme Court

Commitment Defense Unit

The Commitment Defense Unit represents clients where the state of Missouri has initiated civil commitment proceedings based on the allegation that the citizen is a "sexually violent predator".



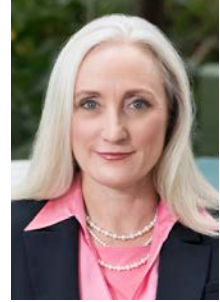
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Children's Defense Team

The Children's Defense Team represents children charged with delinquent acts in State and Appellate Courts.

Division of Appellate/Post-Conviction Relief

The Appellate/Post-Conviction Relief division attorneys represent clients who have been convicted of felony offenses, after either a trial or a guilty plea. These attorneys provide representation in direct appeals from non-capital felony convictions, post-conviction trial court challenges and appeals from post-conviction proceedings.



MARY FOX
State Public Defender

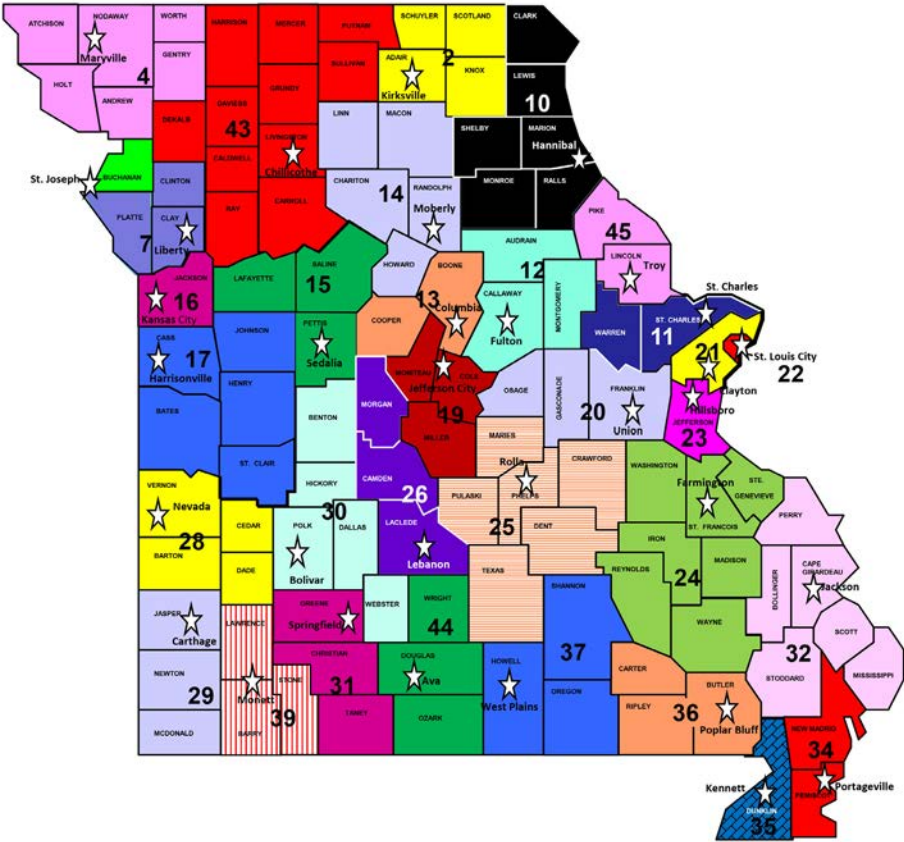


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Deputy State Public Defender

Parole Revocation Defense Team

The Parole Revocation Defense Team represents parolees in the community facing revocation of their parole.

Missouri State Public Defender Trial Division District Map





Pontoon Bridge, Noel, Mo.

Image of the Pontoon Bridge across an unidentified body of water in Noel, Missouri. The postcard is partially colorized so that the sky looks blue. Courtesy of the Missouri State Archives, RG005 Secretary of State Publications Vanishing Missouri Photograph Collection.