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Jackson County Executive

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**TO: MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE  
CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE**

**FROM: FRANK WHITE, JR.  
JACKSON COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

**DATE: SEPTEMBER 22, 2025**

**RE: JACKSON COUNTY MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE  
REAPPOINTMENT**

Pursuant to article VII, section 7 of the 2010 Jackson County Charter and section 1803.2 of the Jackson County Code, I hereby reappoint **James A. Witteman, Jr.**, as Jackson County Municipal Court Judge, for a term to expire on December 31, 2026.

9/22/2025  
Date

  
Frank White, Jr., County Executive

## **James A. Witteman, Jr.**

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### **Education:**

Washburn University School of Law, 2000-2002

Juris Doctorate, 2002

University of Missouri – Kansas City School of Law, Visiting Student, 2001-2002

Licensed Member of the Missouri Bar, Bar #56822

University of Missouri-Kansas City, 1994-1998

Bachelor of Science Accounting, July 1998

### **Work Experience:**

Jackson County Municipal Court, Division 301, Independence, Jackson County, MO

Judge, April 2019-present

JAMES A WITTEMAN, JR, LLC, Blue Springs, MO, June 2022-present

Owner/Manager – Private legal services practice focusing in the areas of DUI/DWI, Criminal Defense, and Personal Injury

Waits & Witteman, LLC, Blue Springs, MO, July 2016-May 2022

Owner/Manager – Private legal services practice focusing in the areas of DUI/DWI, Criminal Defense, Family Law and Personal Injury

City of Greenwood, Missouri,

City Prosecutor, November 2011-April 2019

JAMES A WITTEMAN, JR, LLC, Lee's Summit, MO, July 2010-June 2016

Owner/Manager – Private legal services practice focusing in the areas of DUI/DWI, Criminal Defense, Family Law and Personal Injury

deVries & Associates, P.C., Kansas City, MO, October 2007-June 2010

Associate Attorney – Practice areas include criminal defense and municipal practice.

Jackson County Prosecutor's Office, Jackson County, MO, May 2005–September 2007

Assistant Prosecuting Attorney – Assigned to the Drug Unit

Self-employed Attorney, September 2004-May 2005

Criminal Misdemeanor & Traffic, Civil Litigation, & Bankruptcy

Higginsville True Value Hardware Store, October 2003-December 2004

General Manager – Managed All Affairs for Family Business Including Legal, Accounting, Sales

Great Plains Land Service, Kansas City, MO, September 2002-September 2003

Contractor – Network Real Estate at Sprint, Negotiation and Organization of Real Estate Agreements, Coordinating Negotiation between Multiple Parties

Shank & Hamilton, P.C., Kansas City, MO, July 2001-May 2002

Civil Defense Litigation Law Clerk, Various Research & Writing Projects, Maintained Client Files

Taylor, Perky & Parker, L.L.C., Overland Park, KS, February 1998-December 1999

Audit, Tax, Financial Accounting, Litigation Support, Director of Recruiting, New Employee Trainer, Marketing Committee Member, Recruiting and Retention Committee Member, Awarded for Excellence in Recruiting December 1999

Mercantile Bank, Kansas City, MO, June 1996-August 1997

Floating Teller, Vault Teller, Commercial Loans

**Activities & Organizations:** Supreme Court of Missouri en banc Task Force on Criminal Justice  
 Appointed by Chief Justice as Member, May 2022-present  
 Member of Costs, Fees, and Fine Subcommittee, April 2022-present  
 Attendee of Municipal Justice Subcommittee for the Commission on Racial and Ethnic Fairness, February 2021-March 2025

Missouri Municipal and Associate Circuit Judges Association  
 Officer: Treasurer, May 2025-present  
 Director: District 5, May 2021-May 2025  
 Member, May 2019-present

Boy Scouts of America, Lee's Summit, MO  
 Venture Crew 220 Advisor, May 2025-present  
 Troop 220 Merit Badge Counselor, May 2021-present  
 Troop 220 Committee Member, January 2020-present, November 2016-November 2017  
 Troop 220 Assistant Scoutmaster, November 2017-December 2019  
 Pack 220 Cubmaster, November 2017-August 2019  
 Pack 220 Assistant Cubmaster, August 2017-November 2017  
 Pack 220 Committee Member, August 2012-August 2017

Association for Women Lawyers of Greater Kansas City  
 Member, November 2021-present

Eastern Jackson County Bar Association,  
 Member, 2020-present, 2007-2016

Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association,  
 Board of Directors and Criminal Law Section President, 2011  
 Municipal Court Committee Chair, 2009-2010  
 Member, 2018-present, 2005-2011

Jackson County COMBAT (Community Backed Anti-Drug Sales Tax) Drug Commission  
 Chair, March 2017-April 2019  
 At-Large Legal Professional Member, October 2013-April 2019

Missouri Municipal and Associate Circuit Courts Prosecutor's Association,  
 Board of Directors, 2013  
 Member, 2012-2019

Jackson County Ethics, Human Relations and Citizen Complaints Commission  
 Nominating Committee, 2010-2013

Missouri Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers,  
 Board of Directors, 2010-2011  
 Member, 2008-2019

National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers,  
 Member, 2008-2009

Missouri Society for Criminal Justice,  
 Member, 2007-2019

UMKC Student Government Association, President, 1997-1998  
 Inter Campus Student Council, Member, 1997-1998  
 Associated Students of the University of Missouri, Ex-officio Member, 1997-1998  
 Delegate, Student Government Conference, 1997

UMKC Inter Fraternity Council, President, 1996-97  
 Delegate, Missouri Governor's Leadership Forum, 1997  
 Delegate, Mid-American Greek Council Association, 1997

Sigma Phi Epsilon, President, 1997-1998  
 IFC Judicial Delegate, 1997-1998  
 IFC Delegate, 1996  
 Pledge Class Vice President of Finance, 1995  
 Delegate, Carlson Leadership Academy, 1996

American Bar Association,  
Professional Member, 2002  
Student Member, 2001-2002

Institute of Management Accountants  
Professional Member, 1998-2000  
Student Member, 1995-1998

Alpha Phi Omega National Service Fraternity, Member, 1995-96  
Delegate, APO Sectional Conferences 1995-96

Boy Scouts of America, Eagle Scout, Troop 430, Clinton, MO 1990

**Career Objectives:**

Continuing to seek a challenging and rewarding career in law serving my community and striving to maintain the knowledge and skills necessary to effectively serve the public and my clients. Most importantly, I desire to use my legal career to make a positive impact in my community.

**Interests:**

Family, aviation, boating, camping, sports, mentoring, traveling, and patronizing the arts.

**References:**

References upon request.