



**FRANK WHITE, JR.**  
Jackson County Executive

**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 21- 12**

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

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

**DATE: APRIL 7, 2021**

**RE: REAPPOINTMENTS AND APPOINTMENT TO THE COMMUNITY  
CHILDREN'S SERVICES FUND BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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**MARY JO SPINO  
COUNTY CLERK**

Pursuant to chapter 82 of the Jackson County Code, I hereby make the following reappointments to the Jackson County Community Children's Services Fund Board of Directors:

**Dr. Robert Bartman, Ed.D.** is reappointed as a District 4 member for a new term to expire March 31, 2024.

**Brian Kaberline** is reappointed as a District 5 member for a new term to expire March 31, 2024.

**Ajia Mignon Morris** is appointed to fill the vacancy occasioned by the expiration of Rachelle Styles' term, as a District 2 member for a new term to expire March 31, 2024. A copy of Ms. Morris' resume is attached.

  
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Frank White, Jr., County Executive

Date: 4/7/21



# Ajia Morris

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## EDUCATION:

**Washington University School of Law, St. Louis, MO**  
Juris Doctorate

**University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA**  
B.S., Business Administration (Management Consulting)

## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT/RECOGNITION:

Mayor's Challenge Cabinet-Innovation Policy Task Force, Black Community Fund Scholarship Review Committee, HipHop Sisters Advisory Board (National), KC Business Magazine Rising Star (2013), Gladstone Elementary HERO of the Year (2012)

## EXPERIENCE:

**The Greenline Initiative, Kansas City, MO** Aug. 2018-present  
*Chief Executive Officer*

The Greenline Initiative renovates blighted homes in the urban core and sells them to community members via owner financing obtained through crowdsourced funding. Currently operating in Missouri, The Greenline Initiative is actively scaling and will be entering our second territory Fall 2020.

**Kansas City Public Schools, Kansas City, MO** Apr. 2016-Apr. 2019  
*Board of Directors, Sub-District 5*

Kansas City Public Schools is guided by a seven-member Board of Directors elected to four-year terms by the district's patrons. The Board of Directors has many duties, in addition to governance including: monitoring the use of financial and human resources; education planning and evaluation; appointing the chief administrator, the Superintendent of Schools; and facilities management.

**Goodwill of Western Missouri & Eastern Kansas, Kansas City, MO** Sept. 2015-Sept. 2016  
*Vice President of Mission Advancement*

Leads the design and development of internal and external mission programs and activities that are aligned with Goodwill's mission, core values and ethics. Conducts an in-depth Community Needs Assessment. Cultivates and maintains a Community Advisory Council. Leads and engages the mission services team in exploring issues, assessing trends, and devising changes to the service model. Identifies and grows connections throughout a number of community constituencies for partnership opportunities. Partners with mission operations to develop mechanisms to integrate mission services into other areas of the agency. Represents mission and Agency interests in legislative affairs, including review and interpretation of and response to or to seek changes in state statutes and local ordinances. Oversees budget, capital planning and cost management for the mission advancement in alignment with Goodwill's strategic plan. Leads Grant Development to identify sources of funds, develop grant applications and funding proposals.

**Dress for Success- Northwest Arkansas, Rogers, AR** Dec. 2014-Aug. 2015  
*Executive Director*

Provides overall strategic and operational responsibility for Dress for Success' staff, programs, expansion, and execution of its mission. Ensures ongoing local programmatic excellence, rigorous program evaluation, and consistent quality of finance and administration, fundraising, communications, and systems; recommends timelines and resources needed to achieve the strategic goals. Actively engages and energizes volunteers, board members, event committees, alumni, partnering organizations, and funders. Uses external presence and relationships to garner new opportunities. Serves as an external local and national presence that publishes and communicates program results with an emphasis on the successes of the local program as a model for regional replication.

**Ewing Marion Kauffman School, Kansas City, MO**

May 2013-Nov. 2014

*Director of Operations*

Oversees school budget and finances including all contracts, invoices, and accounting for events. Oversees school IT consulting, maintenance, food service, transportation, enrollment, and supply systems with a \$23mil budget, and team of twenty-three (23) skilled professionals.

*Operations Manager*

Manages program budget and finances including invoicing, and accounting for events. Manages logistical support and coordination for field trips, and civic & college expeditions. Works with volunteers to coordinate afterschool clubs and enrichment activities. Manages purchasing for materials and services (e.g., food service, transportation, IT consulting, uniforms, textbooks). Manages school maintenance, food service, transportation, enrollment, and supply systems with a \$7mil budget, and team of eight (8) skilled professionals.

**Kansas City Missouri School District, Kansas City, MO**

Nov. 2010-Nov. 2012

*Program Coordinator for Homeless Students*

Creates strategic plan to increase homeless students' attendance and grades while decreasing student discipline incidents. Provides guidance on school law as it relates to homeless youth and children in foster care, encourages varying intervention strategies, and identifies compatible referral sources. Conducts district-wide training on federal law and compliance and arranges for homeless family skills training. Counsels homeless parents on rights and responsibilities surrounding a child's education. Manages \$400K budget, team of four (4) skilled professionals, and academic careers of 1,500 scholars.

*Grievance Hearing Officer*

Serves as an administrative judge for all employee grievances filed within the school district. Arranges all hearings ensuring they are treated confidentially and prepares written grievance determinations. Analyzes and prepares reports regarding the types and frequency of actions taken concerning grievances.

**Kansas City Mediation Group, Kansas City, MO**

Feb. 2006-Nov. 2011

*Attorney-Mediator*

Provides administrative and strategic planning consulting services from start-up through the winding down process as well as drafting, contractual review, redlining, and negotiation of master service, software licensing, and SaaS agreements. Identifies potential issues, eliminates long term pitfalls, and assists in the implementation of refocused directives for the entire company.

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**Professional References:**

Dr. Mark Bedell  
Superintendent  
Kansas City Public Schools  
(816) 418-7000

Dr. Luis Dominguez Cordoba  
Chief Student Support and Intervention Officer  
Kansas City Public Schools  
(816) 418-7555

Corey Scholes  
Director of Education  
Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation  
(816) 932-1031