

IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

AN ORDINANCE repealing section 1803., Jackson County Code, 1984, relating to County municipal court and enacting, in lieu thereof, one new section relating to the same subject.

ORDINANCE NO. 5595, January 31, 2022

INTRODUCED BY Theresa Cass Galvin, County Legislator

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the County Municipal Court judge be compensated at the rate of \$74,200.00 per annum and be eligible to receive county benefits, in recognition of the judge's dedication of approximately 30 hours per week necessary to keep up with the court's growing docket; now therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Enacting Clause

Section 1803., Jackson County Code, 1984, is hereby repealed, and one new section enacted in lieu thereof to be known as section 1803., to read as follows:

1803. Judges.

1803.1 Appointment.

The County Executive may appoint one (1) judge of the County. Municipal Court, subject to the disapproval of the County Legislature, according to such procedures as the County Executive may promulgate by Executive Order.

1803.2 Qualifications.

Any judge appointed to the County Municipal Court shall be licensed to practice law in the state of Missouri, shall be a resident of the County, and shall serve for a term of two (2) years but may be removed sooner, with or without cause, by the County Executive. The County Executive may appoint temporary or acting judges in order to handle the work of the court during the disability or absence of a County Municipal judge; said appointment may be made by the County Executive prior to any disability or absence of a County Municipal judge. No temporary or acting judge shall be appointed for a term longer than two (2) years but may be removed sooner, with or without cause, by the County Executive.

1803.3 Limitations.

A judge appointed as a County Municipal Court judge shall not accept or handle cases in his or her practice of law which are inconsistent with his or her duties as a County Municipal Court judge. A judge, upon authorization by the circuit court of the sixteenth judicial circuit, may act as a commissioner to hear in the first instance nonfelony violations of state law involving motor vehicles as provided by local rule.

1803.4 Compensation.

A judge appointed under this section shall [not] receive [any of] the benefits of a permanent, part time Jackson County employee. Compensation of a County Municipal Court judge shall be [forty-eight thousand five hundred dollars (\$48,500.00)] seventy-four thousand two hundred dollars (\$74,200.00) per annum.

Each County Municipal Court judge shall devote such time as is necessary to discharge his or her duties, which time is expected to be approximately thirty (30) hours per week. The compensation for a temporary or acting judge shall be established by the County Executive but shall not exceed one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00) per diem.

Effective Date: This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its signature by the County Executive.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Chief Deputy County Counselor



County Counselor

I hereby certify that the attached ordinance, Ordinance No. 5595 introduced on January 31, 2022, was duly passed on February 7, 2022 by the Jackson County Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:

Yeas 9

Nays 0

Abstaining 0

Absent 0

This Ordinance is hereby transmitted to the County Executive for his signature.

2.7.2022

Date



Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature

I hereby approve the attached Ordinance No. 5595.

2-7-2022

Date



Frank White, Jr., County Executive