



MICHAEL D. SANDERS
Jackson County Executive

EXECUTIVE ORDER #07-12


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

**FROM: MICHAEL D. SANDERS
JACKSON COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

DATE: JANUARY 19, 2007

RE: APPOINTMENT OF COUNTY COUNSELOR

I hereby appoint Mark S. Jones as County Counselor effective January 22, 2007, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the expiration of the term of Edward B. Rucker, for a new term to expire on December 31, 2010. A copy of Mr. Jones's resume is attached.



Michael D. Sanders, County Executive

Dated: January 22, 2007

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MARK S. JONES

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Accomplished professional with expertise in management, operations, negotiations, conflict resolution, litigation, and strategy development/execution.

LEADERSHIP • BUSINESS ACUMEN • LEGAL EXPERTISE

Skilled negotiator with ability to devise key strategies and deliver positive results. Managed office with 7,000 to 10,000 cases annually. Personally reviewed 200+ cases per year.

High-performance leader who thrives in fast-paced environments and manages multiple priorities. Successfully directed daily operations for office with 200+ personnel and \$15 million departmental budget.

PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

JD, Dean's honors, Washburn University, 1982 • MA, University of Kansas, 1977 • BSE, University of Kansas, 1974
Completed 20 hours toward LLM, University of Missouri-Kansas City Law School

Bar Memberships and Associations: Missouri Supreme Court • Kansas Supreme Court • Federal District Court of Kansas • Kansas City Bar Association • Missouri Office of Prosecution Services • National District Attorney's Association • National College of District Attorneys' Faculty

Adjunct Professor, Baker University • Guest Lecturer, National College of District Attorney Association Trial School

CAREER HISTORY

JACKSON COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE

5/2003 - Present

Senior Trial Attorney

- Assigned to major case squad involving assaults, robberies, and homicide cases.

MANAGING COUNSEL FOR LEGAL SERVICES

2001 - 2002

for *Alterra Healthcare Corporation*, a billion-dollar corporation with headquarters in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Responsible for the management of outside counsel and lawsuits in 29 states involving litigation in labor, employment law, civil rights, construction, contract and business cases. In addition, served as an integral part of the management team coordinating operations of over 450 assisted living facilities across the United States. Reporting directly to Steven Vick, President and C.O.O.

PETERS, MOORE AND JONES, L.L.C.

1999 - 2002

Partner

- Manages all facets of practice including P&L, operations, negotiations, client relationships and administration.
- Expertise spans diverse areas of law including employment, labor and civil rights.
- Recruited as corporate counsel for technology startup.

JACKSON COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE

1990 - 1999

Senior Attorney, 1999

- Assigned to general crimes and drug unit. Managed weekly docket. Member of the homicide unit.

Chief Deputy Prosecutor, 1993 - 1998

- Directed daily supervision of 80 lawyers and team of 200 as 1st Assistant to elected Prosecutor, Claire McCaskill.
- Managed 7,000 to 10,000 cases annually. Personally litigated 45 cases. Recruited/trained key personnel.
- Selected as 1 of only 50 prosecutors by the Department of Justice to attend the National Law Institute.
- Instrumental in Claire McCaskill's recognition for excellence by the John F. Kennedy School of Government.
- Liaison with 29 judges. Built consensus and resolved critical issues with lawyers and victims.

PRIVATE PRACTICE

1988 - 1990

Principal

- Served as solo practitioner trying cases in domestic relations, criminal, business and civil litigation.

MARTIN, CHURCHILL, OVERMAN, HILL & COLE LAW FIRM OF WICHITA, KANSAS

1982 - 1988

Shareholder / Partner

As partner in this "AV" rated firm, represented business clients in labor, employment, civil rights and business litigation in state and federal courts. Cases included labor arbitration, business, contract, E.E.O., Title VII, administrative law and wage hour litigation.