



MICHAEL D. SANDERS
Jackson County Executive

EXECUTIVE ORDER #10-12


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

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

DATE: DECEMBER 6, 2010

RE: APPOINTMENT OF COUNTY COUNSELOR

I hereby appoint W. Stephen Nixon as County Counselor effective January 4, 2011, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Mark S. Jones, for a new term to expire on December 31, 2014. A copy of Mr. Nixon's resume is attached.



Michael D. Sanders, County Executive

Date: Dec 6, 2010

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COUNTY CLERK** 



Honorable William Stephen Nixon

Curriculum Vitae

Bar Admissions

Missouri Bar	Admitted	1975
Federal Court, Western District Of Missouri	Admitted	1975
United States Supreme Court	Admitted	1988

Educational Background

High School	Shawnee Mission West High School Shawnee Mission, KS	Graduated 1969
College	Drury College Springfield, MO	1969 To 1971
	University Of Missouri-Kansas City Kansas City, MO	Graduated 1973 Bachelor Of Arts Economics
Law School	University Of Missouri-Kansas City School Of Law Kansas City, MO	Graduated 1975 Juris Doctor

Employment History-Legal

Circuit Judge, Division 5 16th Judicial Circuit-Jackson County Family Court Administrative Judge Presiding Judge	March 26, 1998 to Present 2002 & 2003 2009 & 2010
Ahmann, Stewart & Nixon, PC Independence, Missouri	June, 1982 to March 26, 1998
Law Office Of W. Stephen Nixon Independence, Missouri	February, 1976 to June, 1982
William C. Paxton, A Professional Corporation Independence, Missouri	September, 1975 to February, 1976
William C. Paxton, A Professional Corporation Law Clerk Independence, MO	1974 to 1975

Employment History-Non-Lawyer

Jack Henry Clothing Company Kansas City, MO	Stock Room Clerk	1972 to 1974
Drury College Springfield, MO	Student Employee-CX	1970 to 1971
MFA Meat Packing Plant Springfield, MO	Production Worker	1970 to 1971
Kingsridge Apartments Springfield, MO	Apartment Manager	1970 to 1971
Kraft Foods, Inc. Springfield, MO	Production Worker	1969 to 1970
Fry-Wagner Moving And Storage St. Louis, MO	Driver's Assistant	1969
Local Home & Garden Nursery Shawnee Mission, KS	Potting & Caring For Plants Sales Clerk	1968-1969
Local Farmers In Johnson County, KS Lenexa, KS	Hay Baling And Farm Work	1966-1968

Political Offices Held And Public Service

Circuit Judge-Division 5, 16th Judicial Circuit-Jackson County, Missouri

Appointed And Commissioned March 2, 1998
By Governor Mel Carnahan

Retained In Office By Non-Partisan Election November 5, 2000

Retained in Office By Non-Partisan Election November 7, 2006

Independence & Eastern Jackson County Youth Courts

Youth Diversion Program 1986 to Present

Mayor-City Of Lake Lotawana, Missouri

Elected To First Term 1995 April, 1995 to March, 1997

Elected To Second Term 1997 April, 1997 to March, 1998

(Resigned To Accept Appointment as Circuit Judge)

Ward III Alderman-City Of Lake Lotawana, Missouri	1994-1995
Lake Lotawana Planning Commission	1994-1995
Eastern Jackson County Betterment Council	1995 to March, 1998
Co-Chairman of Board Of Directors	1995 to March, 1998
Director	1995 to March, 1998

Affiliations Outside The Legal Profession

Truman Heartland Community Foundation	
Charitable Organization Serving Eastern Jackson County	
Director	1997 to 2006

National Truancy Prevention Association	
National Organization Devoted To Reducing Truancy	
Founding Member and Director	2002 to 2008

Lake Lotawana Optimist Club	1995 to Present
Lake Lotawana, MO	
Positions Held:	Director
	Vice-President
	Coordinator Of All Youth Activity Programs
	Chairman-Respect For Law Program
	Chairman-Youth In Government Program
	Club Photographer

Hickman Mills School District Truancy Program	2001 to 2007
Truancy Court Judge	Smith-Hale Middle School

Peoples Law School Coordinator And Teacher	1998 to 1991
Independence School District Adult Education Program	

Coalition For Excellence In Education	1995 to March, 1998
Volunteer Group Dedicated To Improving Public Education	
In The Lee's Summit School District	

William Jewell College Volunteer Coach		
Positions Held:	Volunteer Assistant Men's Basketball Coach	1976 & 1979
	Varsity and Junior Varsity	
	Volunteer Assistant Women's Basketball Coach	1978 & 1979
	Varsity and Junior Varsity	
	Volunteer Men's Tennis Coach	1978 & 1979
	Varsity and Junior Varsity	