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## **EXECUTIVE ORDER #21-29**

TO:

MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE

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FROM:

FRANK WHITE, JR.

JACKSON COUNTY EXECUTIVE

DATE:

November 9, 2021

RE:

APPOINTMENT TO THE PENSION PLAN BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Crispin Rea is appointed as an active member of the Pension Plan Board of Trustees within the Prosecuting Attorney's Office's bargaining unit for a term to expire February 17, 2023. Mr. Rea's appointment is occasioned by the retirement of Linda Steele. A copy of Mr. Rea's resume is attached.

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Frank White, Jr., County Executive



# CRISPIN M. REA

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## **EDUCATION**

University of Missouri-Kansas City, School of Law, 2014.

Juris Doctor

University of Missouri-Kansas City, Bloch School of Management, 2013.

• Master's of Public Administration, emphasis Urban Affairs

Park University, 2008.

Bachelor's in Political Science and Public Administration

## **EXPERIENCE**

## Jackson County Prosecutor's Office: 2015 - Present

- Positions
  - Attorney in the Special Victims Unit from 2017 to present. Manage a large and complex caseload including murder, rape, sodomy, child sexual abuse, child physical abuse, and domestic violence cases from charging decision to case resolution including guilty plea or trial. Duties include managing the Special Victims Unit docket, probation dockets, litigation of post-conviction claims, and routinely serving as the on-call Special Victim's Unit attorney.
  - Served in the General Crimes Unit from 2015 to 2017. Managed a large and diverse caseload including property, drug, and driving crimes from charging decision to case resolution including guilty plea or trial. Duties included managing property, drug, and driving crimes dockets, probation dockets, and litigation of post-conviction claims.
  - Served as first or second chair of nineteen jury trials in the 16<sup>th</sup> Circuit of Jackson County, Missouri, securing convictions in assault, robbery, domestic assault, adult sex, and murder cases.
- Leadership
  - Created and currently manage the Jackson County Prosecutor's Office Mentorship Program. The program connects new attorneys with experienced prosecutors to facilitate professional development and trial opportunities.
  - Co-Chair of the Jackson County Prosecutor's Office Diversity Committee which creates programs and policies that promote diversity within the office.
  - Intern Coordinator for the Special Victims Unit's legal interns ensuring interns gain meaningful experience and contribute to the work product of the unit.
  - Recipient of the 2015 Community Prosecutor of the Year Award within the Jackson County Prosecutor's Office.

## Kansas City Public Schools Board of Directors: 2010 - 2014

- Positions
  - Elected At-Large in 2010 to a four year term. Served as Board Vice President from 2012 to 2014. Vice President duties included chairing public board meetings, closed sessions, and administrative termination hearings.
- Leadership
  - Implemented a policy-governance system to reduce the micromanagement of the superintendent. Passed a conflict of interest and disclosure policy, academic achievement reforms, and policies that dramatically improved the district's financial health.
  - Served as Chair of the Board's Repurposing Committee. The committee oversaw the repurposing and economic development of closed school facilities. This role required balancing board member goals, staff expertise, and neighborhood input to ensure closed school buildings remained assets to the community.

- Served as Chair of the Board's Legislative Affairs and Agenda Committee. The committee oversaw the drafting and presentation of the School Board's legislative agenda to city, state, and federal policy makers. Worked closely with lobbyists and advocates in Jefferson City to advance the agenda.
- Served as Chair of the Board's Superintendent Contract Committee. The committee negotiated with the superintendent and legal counsel to draft the superintendent's contract of employment.

#### The Mattie Rhodes Center: 2010 – 2012

- Created, implemented, and served as the lead advocate of the Mattie Rhodes Center's Latino Advocacy Task
  Force. The program provided support services for victims and families impacted by violent homicide in the urban
  core. Facilitated civic engagement programs for inner-city Latino youth.
- Organized agency partners, such as the Guadalupe Center, Greater Kansas City Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, Hispanic Economic Development Corporation, Westside Housing, and LNESC to lobby city, county, and state governments on shared agenda items.

### Kansas City Mayor's Office: 2007 - 2010

Served as Communications Officer organizing press conferences, drafting speeches, and as a media contact.
 Served as Neighborhood Liaison for Kansas City's neighborhood associations. Policy portfolio included youth programming, education, public safety, and neighborhood services.

## **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

- 2020 present: Board of Directors of the Police Athletic League, Vice President
- 2020 present: Board of Directors of the Mattie Rhodes Center, Chair of Community Development Committee
- 2020 present: UMKC School of Law Diverse Alumni Committee
- 2015 2017: Board of Directors of Mothers in Charge
- 2012 2014: Hispanic Law Student Association of UMKC, President
- 2008 2014: Jackson County Democratic Committeeman, elected 13<sup>th</sup> Ward

## **AWARDS**

- 2015: Jackson County Prosecutor's Office "Community Prosecutor Award" Recipient
- 2014: Greater Kansas City Women's Political Caucus "Good Guy Award" Recipient
- 2012: Kansas City Business Magazine "Rising Star" Recipient
- 2007: NAIA Academic All-American in Cross Country and Track
- 2006: Presenter at the Midwest Undergraduate Political Science Conference
- 2006: NAIA Cross Country National Championships, Park University

References Available Upon Request.