

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 19-25

TO:

MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE

CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE

FROM:

FRANK WHITE, JR.

JACKSON COUNTY EXECUTIVE

DATE:

RE:

OCTOBER 1, 2019

APPOINTMENT TO THE COMBAT COMMISSION

I hereby make the following appointment to the Jackson County COMBAT Commission:

Arimeta Renae DuPree, ESQ. is appointed as a District 2 member for a term to expire December 31, 2019, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Melesa N. Johnson. A copy of Ms. DuPree's resume is attached.

Frank White, Jr., County Executive

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ARIMETA RENAE DUPREE, ESQ.

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EMPLOYMENT

A. DuPree & Associates, LLC

Kansas City, Missouri

February 2015 - Present

Owner

Litigation law firm advocating for plaintiffs and defendants in personal injury, employment, family, criminal and traffic matters.

JURY TRIAL EXPERIENCE

I Jury trial with the following charges:

Murder

Burglary

Armed Criminal Action

BENCH TRIAL EXPERIENCE

7 Bench trials with the following charges:

- Child Custody

- Orders of Protection

Assault

Missouri State Public Defender System, Trial Division

Kansas City, Missouri

August 2004 - February 2015

Intern Coordinator

Team Leader (Supervisor)

Zealous advocate for criminal defendants in arraignments, guilty pleas, motion hearings, jury trials, bench trials, and an appeal in the Missouri Circuit and Appellate Courts.

JURY TRIAL EXPERIENCE

43 Jury trials with the following charges:

- Murder - Arson - Burglary - Forcible Rape - Statutory Sodomy - Tampering

- Forcible Sodomy - Statutory Rape - Unlawful use of a Weapon

- Assault - Kidnapping - Resisting Arrest

Drugs
Armed Criminal Action
Violation of a Protection Order

BENCH TRIAL EXPERIENCE

9 Bench trials with the following charges:

- Forcible Rape - Assault - Assault on a Law Enforcement Officer

- Forcible Sodomy - Armed Criminal Action - Resisting Arrest

- Robbery - Property Damage - Receiving Stolen Property

APPEAL.

NGRI Unconditional Release

Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency

Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

August 2003 - August 2004

Prepared legal pleadings for the Commonwealth to be filed in Bankruptcy Court regarding debtors' obligations to honor contractual agreements.

Honorable Judge Doris A. Smith-Ribner

Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

August 2001 - August 2003

Drafted bench memoranda for the Commonwealth Court in preparation for oral arguments. Drafted published and unpublished judicial opinions.

Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General

Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

Office of Legislative Affairs

August 2001 - August 2002

Researched and prepared memoranda for attorneys defending the constitutionality of Commonwealth statutes and regulations. Attended General Assembly committee meetings and prepared memoranda summarizing committee meetings.

Pennsylvania Office of General Counsel

Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

Bureau of Professional and Occupational Affairs

May 2001 - August 2001

Conducted legal research and prepared memoranda for attorneys regarding the fraudulent and unethical practices of professional license holders.

EDUCATION

Widener University School of Law

Juris Doctorate, May 2003

Honors

Dean's Honors List

Legal Research and Writing Achievement

Oral Advocate Achievement Moot Court Honor Society Trial Advocacy Honor Society

Activities

Black Law Student Association

Criminal Law Society Phi Alpha Delta

Oklahoma City University

Bachelor of Arts, May 2000 B.A., Criminal Justice

Honors

Dean's List

Activities

Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature

Spanish Club

Spanish Communication Institute

Study Abroad Program, Summer 1999

Tepoztlan, Mexico

Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Missouri Bar Association

Association for Women Lawyers (Former Board of Directors)

Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association (Former Board of Directors)

Jackson County Bar Association

Eastern Jackson County Bar Association

Planned Industrial Expansion Authority, Commissioner

Appointed by the Mayor of Kansas City, Missouri in July 2008 for a Four-Year Term to help improve blighted areas within the Kansas City Metropolitan boundaries by awarding tax abatements to developers and contractors.

BAR MEMBERSHIPS

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania – April 2004

State of Missouri – April 2005

United States District Court for the Western District of Missouri - January 2017

AWARDS

2011 Women's Justice Award Recipient

- Rising Star

2011 The Young Lawyers' Section of the Missouri Bar Association Award Recipient

- Thomas D. Cochran Community Service Award

2012 Missouri Lawyers Weekly

- Up & Coming Attorney

Lon O. Hocker Award Nominee

- 2013, 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009