

# — Mississippi Judicial Branch —

*In Mississippi, the judicial branch of government has three components: the Supreme Court, the Court of Appeals, and the Trial Courts.*

## SUPREME COURT

**Qualifications:** A qualified elector for and from the Supreme Court District in which election is sought (residency), a practicing attorney, at least 30 years of age, and a citizen of the state for five (5) years preceding the day of election.

**Fee:** \$200 made payable to the State Board of Election Commissioners, delivered to the Secretary of State's Office.

**Duties:** The Supreme Court is the State's court of last resort. It is composed of nine elected justices, three from each of the State's three Supreme Court Districts. Their eight-year terms are staggered to provide continuity. The Supreme Court hears appeals from Mississippi's two courts of general jurisdiction: circuit and chancery. In limited circumstances, it may also hear direct appeals from county courts. In addition to appellate jurisdiction, the Supreme Court has the power to issue extraordinary writs. The nine justices may sit in en banc (all members participating) or in three-judge panels.

Reserved to the Supreme Court are death penalty cases; appeals involving utility rates, annexations, bond issues, election contests, statutes held unconstitutional by a lower court, cases involving attorney discipline; judicial performance; certified questions from a federal court, cases involving a major question of first impression; fundamental and urgent issues of broad public importance requiring prompt determination; substantial constitutional questions concerning the validity of a statute, ordinance, court rule; or administrative rule or regulation; and issues where there is an inconsistency or conflict in court decisions.

## COURT OF APPEALS

**Qualifications:** A practicing attorney, at least 30 years of age, and a citizen of the state for five (5) years preceding the day of election.

**Fee:** \$200 made payable to the State Board of Election Commissioners, delivered to the Secretary of State's Office.

**Duties:** The Court of Appeals was created in 1994 and began sitting the following year. It is the state's only intermediate court and hears only appeals assigned by the Supreme Court.

The Court of Appeals is composed of 10 elected judges, two from each Congressional district. Their terms are for eight years and are staggered to provide continuity. The chief justice of the Supreme Court appoints the chief judge of the Court of Appeals.

## TRIAL COURTS

Mississippi's trial court system consists of two general jurisdiction courts (circuit and chancery) and three limited jurisdiction courts (county, justice, and municipal).

### Circuit Courts

**Qualifications:** A qualified elector for and from the circuit court district (residency), a practicing attorney for five (5) years, at least 26 years of age, and a citizen of the state for five (5) years.

**Fee:** \$100 made payable to the State Board of Election Commissioners, delivered to the Secretary of State's Office.

**Duties:** Twenty-two circuit courts have original jurisdiction over all civil and criminal matters not vested exclusively in another court. Circuit judges are elected in non-partisan races to four-year terms. Most circuit court cases are heard by juries, although some circumstances may permit bench trials. Circuit judges have the power to issue extraordinary writs.

### Chancery Courts

**Qualifications:** A qualified elector for and from the chancery court district (residency), a practicing attorney for five (5) years, at least 26 years of age, and a citizen of the state for five (5) years.

**Fee:** \$100 made payable to the State Board of Election Commissioners, delivered to the Secretary of State's Office.

**Duties:** Twenty chancery courts have jurisdiction over matters involving equity,

divorce, alimony, probate, guardianship, and sanity. In those counties with no county court, chancery courts have exclusive jurisdiction over juvenile matters. Their jurisdiction over equity matters involving less than \$75,000 is concurrent with county courts. Chancery court judges, often called chancellors, are elected in non-partisan races to four-year terms. Most chancery court cases are non-jury proceedings, although juries may be impaneled in certain circumstances.

## County Courts

**Qualifications:** A qualified elector for and from the county court district (residency), at least 26 years old, a practicing attorney for five (5) years, and a citizen of the state for five (5) years preceding the election.

**Fee:** \$15 made payable to county Circuit Clerk.

**Duties:** Twenty-two counties have established county courts. County court judges are elected in non-partisan races to four-year terms. They have exclusive jurisdiction over matters involving eminent domain, partition of personal property, unlawful entry and detainer, and juvenile matters.

County courts have concurrent jurisdiction with justice courts in all matters, civil and criminal; and concurrent jurisdiction with circuit and chancery courts in all matters of law and equity up to \$200,000. They may also adjudicate certain non-capital felony cases transferred by the circuit courts.

## Justice Courts

**Qualifications:** A qualified elector, a resident of the county for two (2) years preceding the day of election, a high school graduate, and complete a course of training required by law within six (6) months of the beginning of the term of office.

**Party Candidates:** \$100 made payable to the appropriate county executive committee via Circuit Clerk.

**Independent candidates:** \$100 paid to the county via the Circuit Clerk and petition filed with the Circuit Clerk containing signatures of not less than 15 qualified electors of the district.

**Duties:** Justice courts have jurisdiction in

all civil cases involving amounts of \$3,500 or less. They conduct preliminary hearings in felony cases and have concurrent jurisdiction with circuit courts over criminal matters where punishment cannot exceed a fine and sentence of one year in county jail. Justice courts also handle preliminary matters committed inside the county, but outside of city limits. Each county is divided into justice court districts, the number determined by population. Judges are elected in partisan elections to four-year terms.

## District Attorneys

**Qualifications:** A qualified elector of the district and a practicing attorney admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of Mississippi for two years.

**Political Party Candidates:** \$250 paid to the appropriate state party executive committee.

**Independent Candidates:** \$250 paid to the Secretary of State's Office, and petition filed with the Secretary of State containing signatures of not less than 100 qualified electors of district.

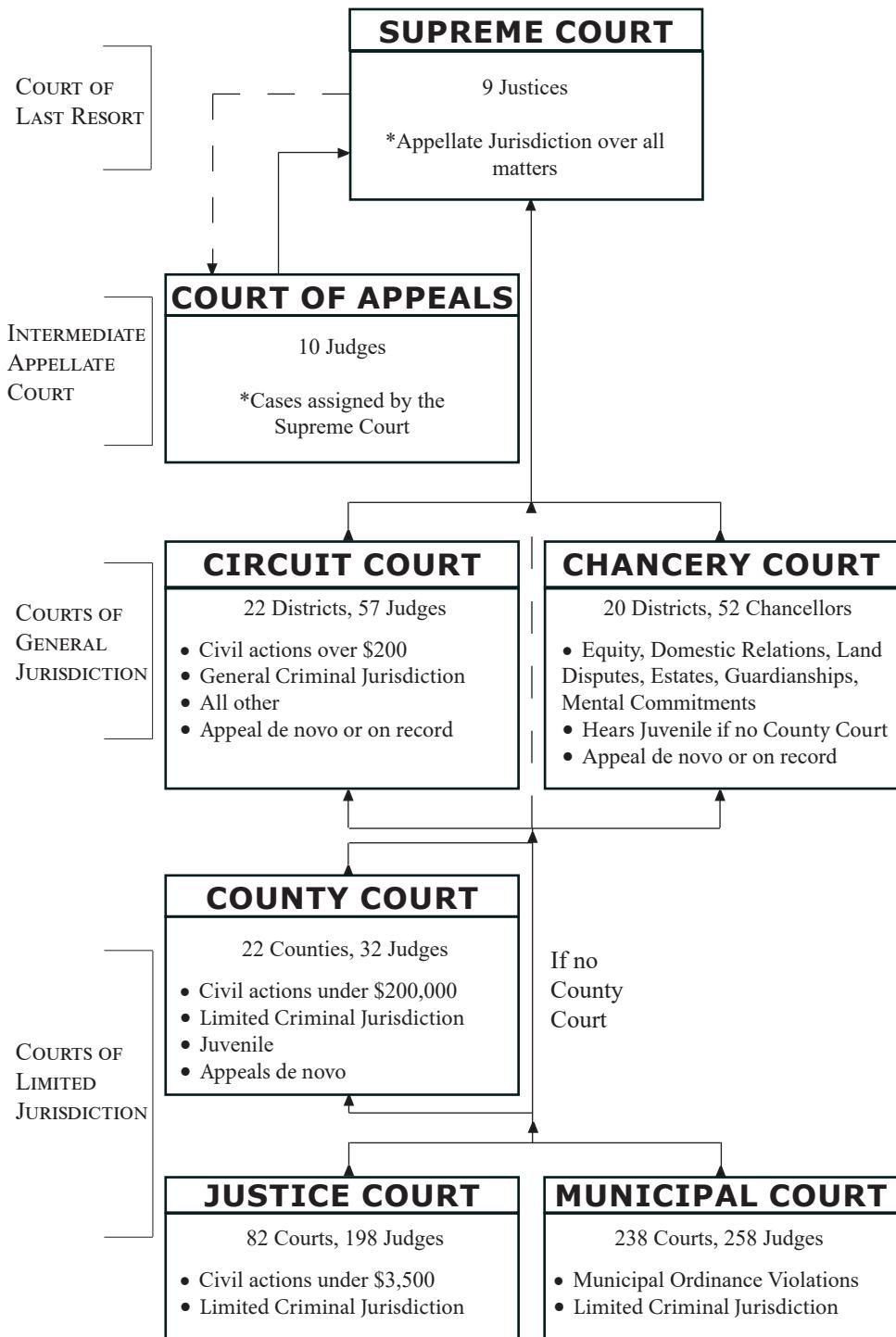
**Duties:** There are 22 district attorneys in Mississippi, each assigned to a Circuit Court district. District attorneys are prosecutors who represent the people of Mississippi in all criminal matters originating in a trial court except in those counties with county prosecuting attorneys.

## Youth Courts

The Youth Courts deal with matters involving abuse and neglect of juveniles, as well as offenses committed by juveniles. Young people who have not reached the age of 18 may be subject to the Youth Court, although there are some exceptions. Some offenses which would be treated as crimes if committed by adults are known as delinquent acts when they involve juveniles.

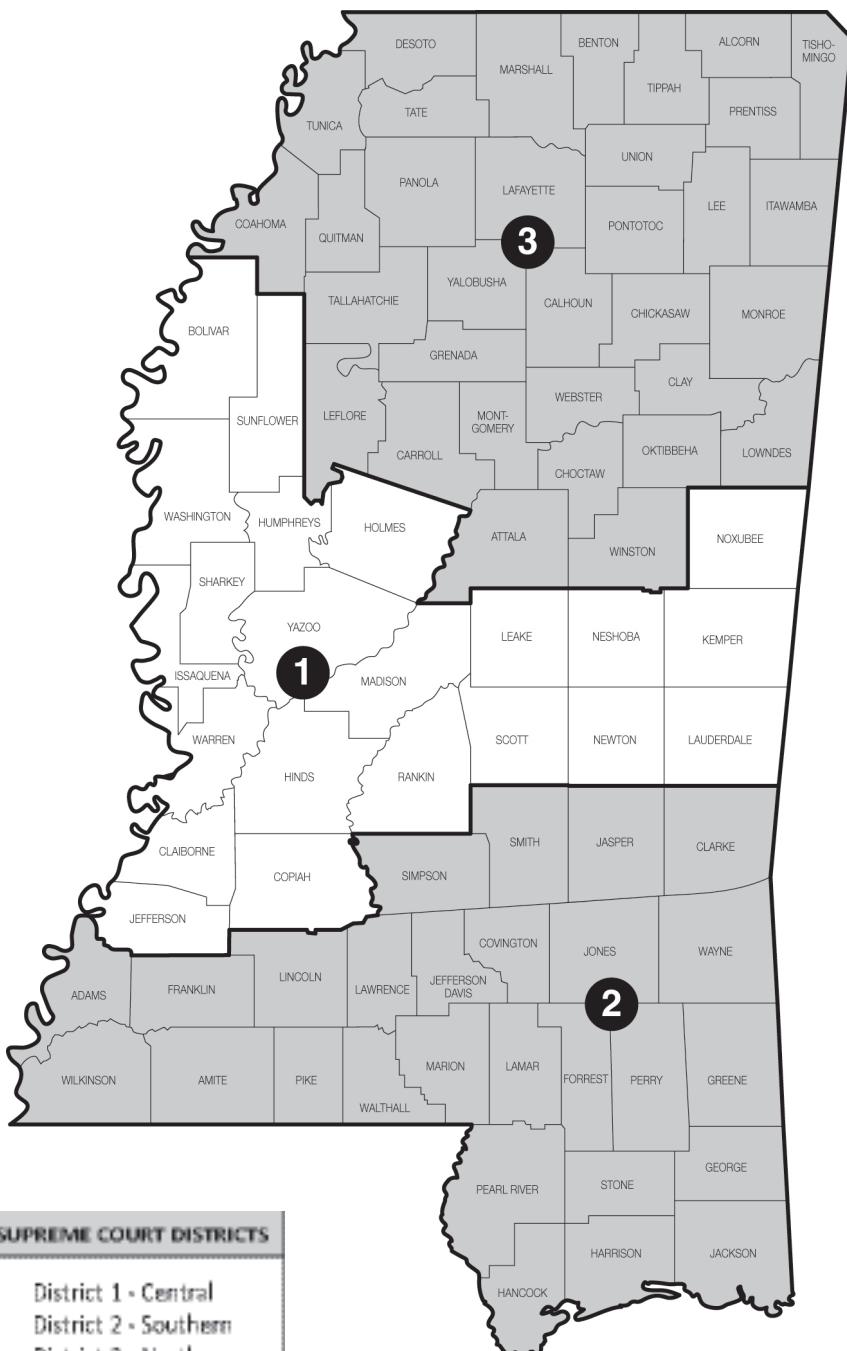
In the 22 counties which have a County Court, those judges also serve as Youth Court judges. In counties which do not have a County Court, the Chancery Judge may hear Youth Court matters, or the Chancery Judge may appoint a lawyer to act in a judicial capacity as Youth Court Referee. The city of Pearl also has its own municipal Youth Court.

## — Judicial Route of Appeal —



Source: Mississippi Administrative Office of Courts

## — Supreme Court Districts —



# — Mississippi Supreme Court —

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**Executive Officer: Michael K. Randolph, Chief Justice**

## Judges

		Term Ends
Chief Justice Michael K. Randolph.....	Southern District 2, Place 3 .....	Jan. 2029
Presiding Justice James W. Kitchens.....	Central District 1, Place 3 .....	Jan. 2025
Presiding Justice Leslie D. King.....	Central District 1, Place 2 .....	Jan. 2029
Associate Justice Josiah Dennis Coleman .....	Northern District 3, Place 3 .....	Jan. 2029
Associate Justice James D. Maxwell II .....	Northern District 3, Place 2 .....	Jan. 2025
Associate Justice Dawn Beam .....	Southern District 2, Place 2 .....	Jan. 2025
Associate Justice Robert P. Chamberlin .....	Northern District 3, Place 1 .....	Jan. 2025
Associate Justice David M. Ishee .....	Southern District 2, Place 1 .....	Jan. 2028
Associate Justice T. Kenneth Griffis, Jr. ....	Central District 1, Place 1.....	Jan. 2030

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D. Jeremy Whitmire.....	Supreme Court Clerk	Alexander Sullivan .....	Editor of Opinions

## Terms of Court

Mississippi Code Annotated 1972, Section 9-3-3. A term of the Supreme Court shall be held twice each year in the city of Jackson, to be styled the Supreme Court; and the terms shall commence the second Monday of September

and the first Monday of March, and the court shall be kept open for the discharge of business for at least nine months of every year if the business therein should require.

# — Court of Appeals of the State of Mississippi —

Carroll Gartin Justice Building - 450 High Street  
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Jackson, Mississippi 39201  
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## Judges

		Term Ends
Chief Judge Donna M. Barnes .....	District 1, Place 2 .....	Jan. 2027
Presiding Judge Virginia C. Carlton .....	District 4, Place 1 .....	Jan. 2023
Presiding Judge Jack L. Wilson .....	District 3, Place 1 .....	Jan. 2025
Judge Jim M. Greenlee .....	District 1, Place 1 .....	Jan. 2023
Judge Deborah McDonald .....	District 2, Place 1 .....	Jan. 2027
Judge Latrice A. Westbrooks .....	District 2, Place 2 .....	Jan. 2025
Judge David McCarty .....	District 4, Place 2 .....	Jan. 2027
Judge Anthony (Tony) Lawrence III .....	District 5, Place 1 .....	Jan. 2027
Joel Smith .....	District 5, Place 2 .....	Jan. 2023
John H. Emfinger .....	District 3, Place 2 .....	Jan. 2023

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*Note: 2001 Legislature designated Court of Appeals districts.*

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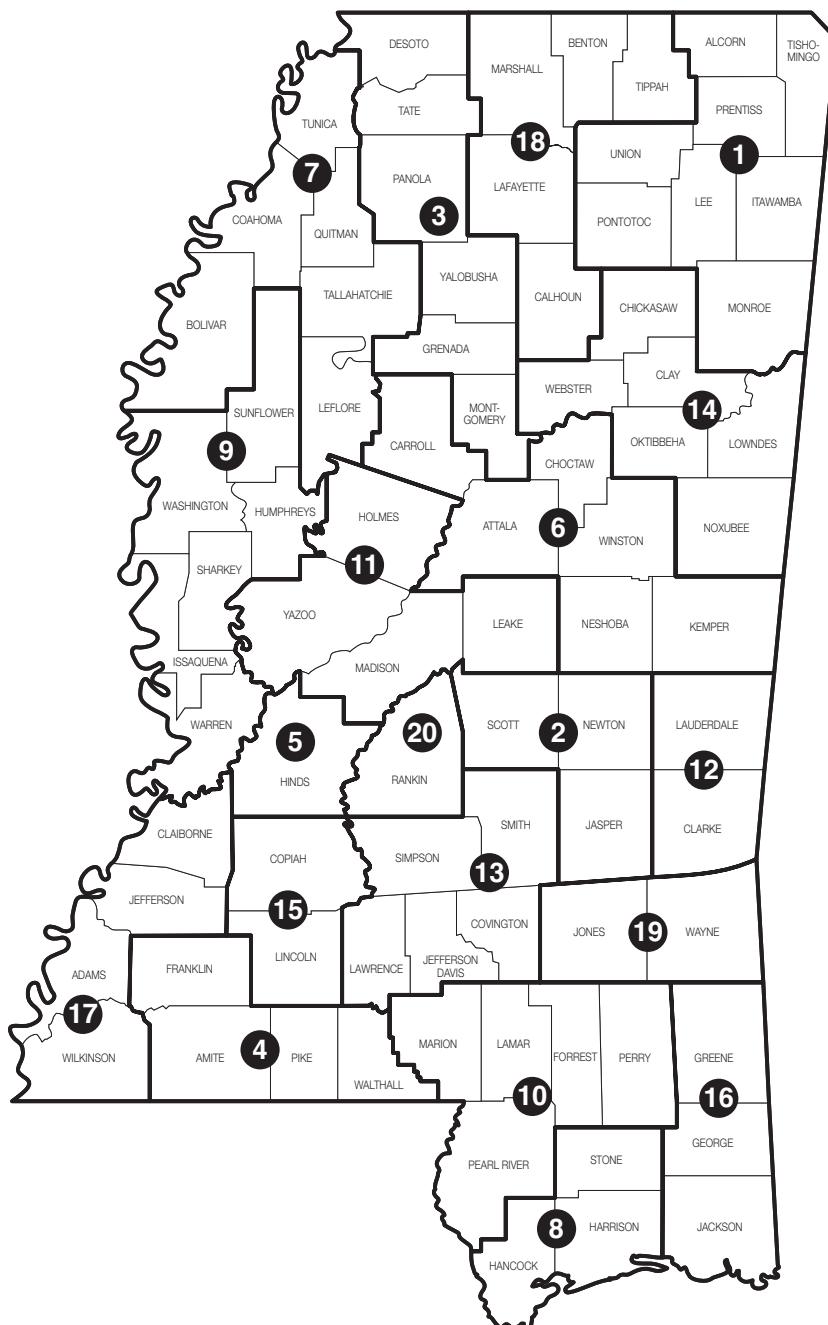
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## — Court Districts by County —

Chancery District	Circuit District	Chancery District	Circuit District
Adams.....	17.....	6	4
Alcorn .....	1.....	1	14
Amite .....	4.....	6	16
Attala .....	6.....	5	20
Benton .....	18.....	3	15
Bolivar.....	7.....	11	3
Calhoun.....	18.....	3	1
Carroll .....	6.....	5	5
Chickasaw .....	14.....	3	8
Choctaw.....	6.....	5	8
Claiborne .....	17.....	22	16
Clarke.....	12.....	10	16
Clay.....	14.....	16	17
Coahoma.....	7.....	11	1
Copiah.....	15.....	22	1
Covington.....	13.....	13	1
DeSoto .....	3.....	17	1
Forrest .....	10.....	12	1
Franklin.....	4.....	6	11
George .....	16.....	19	20
Greene .....	16.....	19	8
Grenada.....	3.....	5	9
Hancock .....	8.....	2	13
Harrison .....	8.....	2	13
Hinds.....	5.....	7	2
Holmes.....	11.....	21	4
Humphreys .....	9.....	21	17
Issaquena.....	9.....	9	3
Itawamba.....	1.....	1	1
Jackson .....	16.....	19	11
Jasper.....	2.....	13	6
Jefferson .....	17.....	22	5
Jefferson Davis .....	13.....	15	14
Jones.....	19.....	18	9
Kemper .....	6.....	10	4
Lafayette .....	18.....	3	3
Lamar.....	10.....	15	17
Lauderdale.....	12.....	10	17
Lawrence .....	13.....	15	5
Leake.....	11.....	8	17
Lee .....	1.....	1	21
Leflore.....		7	
Lincoln .....		15	
Lowndes.....		14	
Madison .....		11	
Marion .....		10	
Marshall .....		18	
Monroe .....		1	
Montgomery.....		3	
Neshoba.....		6	
Newton .....		2	
Noxubee .....		14	
Oktibbeha .....		14	
Panola.....		3	
Pearl River.....		10	
Perry .....		10	
Pike .....		4	
Pontotoc .....		1	
Prentiss .....		1	
Quitman .....		7	
Rankin .....		20	
Scott .....		2	
Sharkey .....		9	
Simpson .....		13	
Smith .....		13	
Stone .....		8	
Sunflower .....		9	
Tallahatchie .....		7	
Tate .....		3	
Tippah .....		18	
Tishomingo .....		1	
Tunica .....		7	
Union .....		1	
Walthall .....		4	
Warren .....		9	
Washington .....		9	
Wayne .....		19	
Webster .....		14	
Wilkinson .....		17	
Winston .....		6	
Yalobusha .....		3	
Yazoo .....		11	

## — Chancery Court Districts —



# — Chancery Court Judges —

*(Listed by District)*

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**Alcorn, Tishomingo, Prentiss, Pontotoc, Lee, Itawamba, Monroe, & Union Counties (1st Chancery District)**

Judge .....	Jacqueline Mask .....	P.O. Box 7395 .....	Tupelo 38802 .....	(662)432-2130 .....	(f) (662)680-6057
Judge .....	Michael Malski .....	P.O. Box 543 .....	Amory 38821 .....	(662)305-3204 .....	(662)256-1191
Judge .....	Stephen T. Bailey .....	P.O. Box 7395 .....	Tupelo 38802 .....	(662)432-2130 .....	(662)680-6057
Judge .....	Bradley D. Tennison .....	P.O. Box 118 .....	Booneville 38829 .....	(662)728-2366 .....	(662)728-9303

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**Scott, Newton, & Jasper Counties (2nd Chancery District)**

Judge .....	Robert M. Logan, Jr. ....	P.O. Box 58 .....	Newton 39345 .....	(601)627-0154 .....	(f) (601)900-4605
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**DeSoto, Tate, Panola, Yalobusha, Grenada, & Montgomery Counties (3rd Chancery District)**

Judge .....	Mitchell M. Lundy, Jr. ....	P.O. Drawer 471 .....	Grenada 38902 .....	(662)226-1343 .....	No Fax
Judge .....	Percy L. Lynchard, Jr. ....	P.O. Box 340 .....	Hernando 38632 .....	(662)469-8374 .....	No Fax
Judge .....	Vicki B. Daniels .....	P.O. Box 1104 .....	Batesville 38606 .....	(662)563-8715 .....	No Fax

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**Franklin, Amite, Pike, & Walthall Counties (4th Chancery District)**

Judge .....	Debba K. Halford .....	P.O. Box 575 .....	Meadville 39653 .....	(601)384-3833 .....	(f) (601)384-4349
Judge .....	Wayne Smith .....	P.O. Box 524 .....	Liberty 39645 .....	(601)657-8588 .....	(601)657-8688

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**Hinds County (5th Chancery District)**

Judge .....	Denise Owens .....	P.O. Box 686 .....	Jackson 39205 .....	(601)968-6545 .....	(f) (601)949-2602
Judge .....	Crystal Wise Martin .....	P.O. Box 686 .....	Jackson 39205 .....	(601)968-6549 .....	(601)973-5587
Judge .....	Tiffany Grove .....	P.O. Box 686 .....	Jackson 39205 .....	(601)968-6547 .....	(601)973-5587
Judge .....	Dewayne Thomas .....	P.O. Box 686 .....	Jackson 39205 .....	(601)968-6551 .....	(601)973-5587

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**Attala, Carroll, Choctaw, Kemper, Neshoba, & Winston Counties (6th Chancery District)**

Judge .....	D. Joseph Kilgore .....	P.O. Box 1006 .....	Philadelphia 39350 .....	(601)656-1881 .....	(f) (601)656-1884
Judge .....	Kiley Kirk .....	P.O. Box 387 .....	Louisville 39339 .....	(662)773-6686 .....	(662)773-8650

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**Bolivar, Coahoma, LeFlore, Quitman, Tallahatchie, & Tunica Counties (7th Chancery District)**

Judge .....	Willie J. Perkins, Sr. ....	P.O. Box 553 .....	Greenwood 38935 .....	(662)453-1432 .....	(f) (662)455-7959
Judge .....	Catherine Farris-Carter .....	P.O. Box 1787 .....	Cleveland 38732 .....	(662)843-2111 .....	(662)843-3382
Judge .....	W. M. Sanders .....	P.O. Box 473 .....	Greenwood 38935 .....	(662)451-7289 .....	(662)451-7122

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**Hancock, Harrison, & Stone Counties (8th Chancery District)**

Judge .....	Margaret Alfonso .....	P.O. Box 1446 .....	Gulfport 39502 .....	(228)865-4096 .....	(f) (228)863-6339
Judge .....	Jim Persons .....	P.O. Box 457 .....	Gulfport 39502 .....	(228)865-4096 .....	(228)863-6339
Judge .....	Jennifer Schloegel .....	P.O. Box 986 .....	Gulfport 39502 .....	(228)865-4096 .....	(228)863-6339
Judge .....	Carter Bise .....	P.O. Box 1542 .....	Gulfport 39502 .....	(228)865-4008 .....	(228)865-1646

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**Humphreys, Issaquena, Sharkey, Sunflower, Warren, & Washington Counties (9th Chancery District)**

Judge .....	Bennie L. Richard .....	P.O. Box 1762 .....	Greenville 38702 .....	(662)334-2685 .....	(f) (662)334-2782
Judge .....	Vicki R. Barnes .....	P.O. Box 351 .....	Vicksburg 39181 .....	(601)636-8327 .....	(601)630-8021
Judge .....	Debra M. Giles .....	P.O. Box 850 .....	Indianola 38751 .....	(662)887-7070 .....	(662)887-7071

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**Forrest, Lamar, Marion, Pearl River, & Perry Counties (10th Chancery District)**

Judge .....	Rhea H. Sheldon .....	P.O. Box 1977 .....	Hattiesburg 39403 .....	(601)545-6079 .....	(f) (601)545-6038
Judge .....	Sheila Havard Smallwood .....	P.O. Box 1977 .....	Hattiesburg 39403 .....	(601)545-6079 .....	(601)545-6038
Judge .....	Chad Smith .....	P.O. Box 1977 .....	Hattiesburg 39403 .....	(601)545-6079 .....	(601)545-6038
Judge .....	Deborah J. Gambrell .....	P.O. Box 1977 .....	Hattiesburg 39403 .....	(601)545-6079 .....	(601)545-6038

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**Holmes, Leake, Madison, & Yazoo Counties (11th Chancery District)**

Judge ..... Robert G. Clark III ..... P.O. Box 39 ..... Lexington 39095 ..... (662)834-1285 ..... (f) (662)834-9688  
Judge ..... Cynthia Brewer ..... P.O. Box 404 ..... Canton 39046 ..... (601)855-5512 ..... (601)859-0795  
Judge ..... James C. Walker ..... P.O. Box 404 ..... Canton 39046 ..... (601)855-5707 ..... (601)859-0795

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**Clarke & Lauderdale Counties (12th Chancery District)**

Judge ..... Lawrence (Larry) Primeaux..P.O. Box 5165 ..... Meridian 39302 ..... (601)482-9729 ..... (f) (601)486-4921  
Judge ..... Charles E. (Charlie) Smith ...P.O. Box 386..... Meridian 39302 ..... (601)482-9729 ..... (601)486-4921

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**Covington, Jefferson Davis, Lawrence, Simpson, & Smith Counties (13th Chancery District)**

Judge ..... David Shoemake ..... P.O. Box 1678..... Collins 39428 ..... (601)765-8284 ..... (f) (601)765-8282  
Judge ..... Gerald Martin..... P.O. Box 325 ..... Raleigh 39153 ..... (601)822-5017 ..... (601)822-5027

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**Chickasaw, Clay, Lowndes, Noxubee, Oktibbeha, & Webster Counties (14th Chancery District)**

Judge ..... Paula Drungole-Ellis.....101 E. Main St. .... Starkville 39759 .....(662)323-5130 .....(f) (662)338-1068  
Judge ..... Rodney Faver .....101 E. Main St. .... Starkville 39759 .....(662)323-5130 .....(662)338-1068  
Judge ..... Joseph N. (Joe) Studdard ....P.O. Box 684..... Columbus 39703 .....(662)329-5844 .....(662)241-1913

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**Copiah & Lincoln Counties (15th Chancery District)**

Judge ..... Joseph Durr..... P.O. Box 1356..... Brookhaven 39602 .... (601)835-3437 .....(f) (601)835-3401

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**George, Greene, & Jackson Counties (16th Chancery District)**

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Judge ..... D. Neil Harris, Sr.....P.O. Box 998..... Pascagoula 39568 .....(228)769-3034 .....(228)769-3488

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**Adams, Claiborne, Jefferson, & Wilkinson Counties (17th Chancery District)**

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Judge ..... George Ward .....115 South Wall St. .... Natchez 39120 .....(601)442-7454 .....(601)445-7973

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**Benton, Calhoun, Lafayette, Marshall, & Tippah Counties (18th Chancery District)**

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Judge ..... Robert Q. Whitwell.....P.O. Box 49..... Oxford 38655 .....(662)236-0233 .....(662)234-6996

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**Jones & Wayne Counties (19th Chancery District)**

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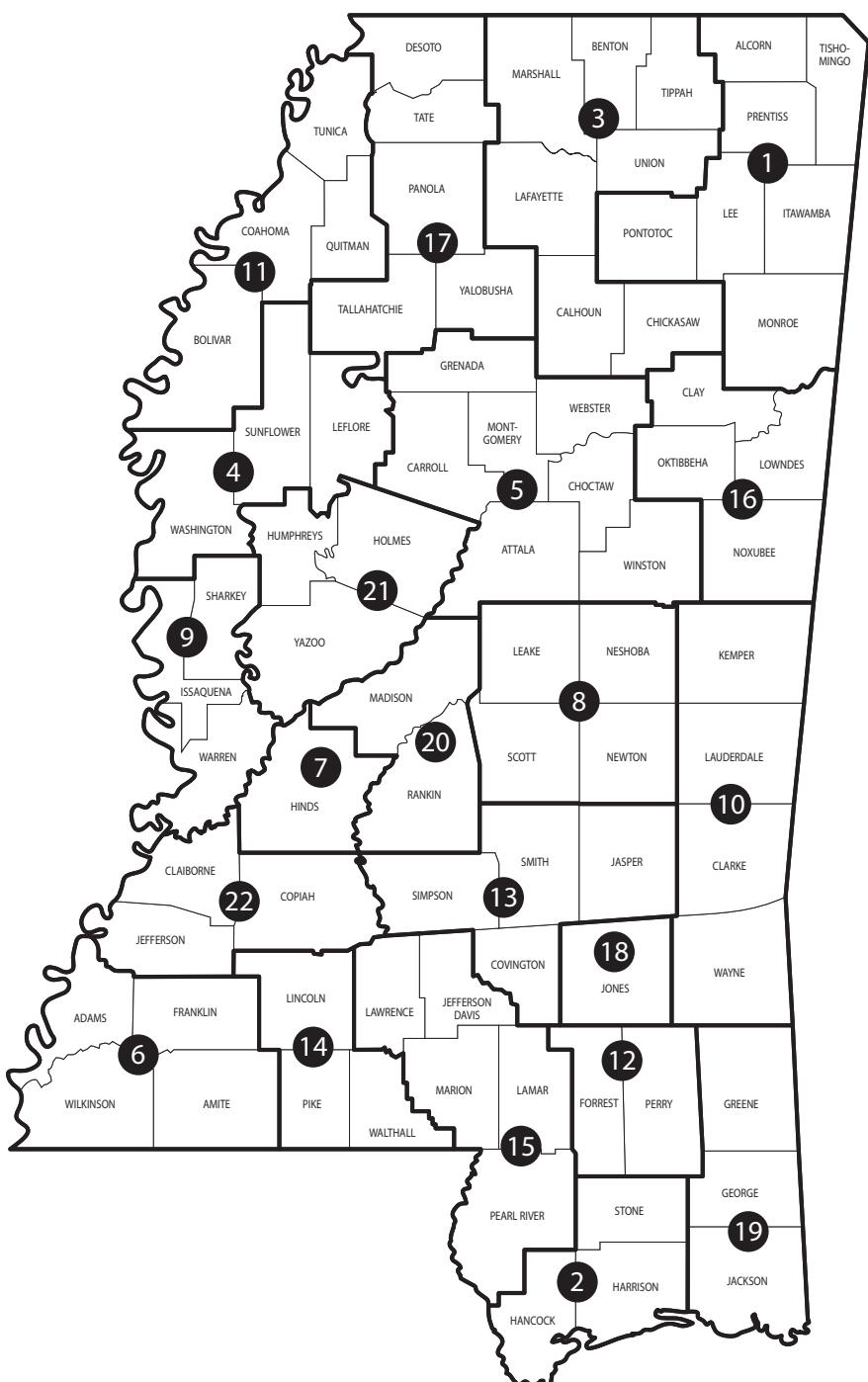
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**Rankin County (20th Chancery District)**

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## — Circuit Court Districts —



# — Circuit Court Judges —

*(Listed by District)*

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**Alcorn, Tishomingo, Prentiss, Pontotoc, Lee, Itawamba, & Monroe Counties (1st Circuit District)**

Judge .....	Paul S. Funderburk .....	P.O. Drawer 1100 .....	Tupelo 38802 .....	(662)432-2360...(f)	(662)680-6078
Judge .....	Michael P. Mills, Jr .....	P.O. Drawer 1100 .....	Tupelo 38802 .....	(662)432-2360.....(662)680-6078	
Judge .....	John R. White .....	P.O. Drawer 1100 .....	Tupelo 38802 .....	(662)432-2360.....(662)680-6078	
Judge .....	Kelly L. Mims .....	P.O. Drawer 1100 .....	Tupelo 38802 .....	(662)432-2360.....(662)680-6078	

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**Hancock, Harrison, & Stone Counties (2nd Circuit District)**

Judge .....	Lisa P. Dodson .....	P.O. Box 1461 .....	Gulfport 39502 .....	(228)865-4220...(f)	(228)865-4376
Judge .....	Randi Mueller .....	P.O. Box 1461 .....	Gulfport 39502 .....	(228)865-4158.....(228)865-1636	
Judge .....	Christopher L. Schmidt .....	P.O. Box 1461 .....	Gulfport 39502 .....	(228)865-4104.....(228)867-6536	
Judge .....	Lawrence Bourgeois, Jr. ....	P.O. Box 1461 .....	Gulfport 39502 .....	(228)865-4262.....(228)865-1636	

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**Benton, Calhoun, Chickasaw, Lafayette, Marshall, Tippah, & Union Counties (3rd Circuit District)**

Judge .....	Grady F. Tollison III .....	1 Courthouse Sq., ....	Oxford 38655 .....	(662)234-3013...(f)	(662)236-3401
		Ste. 201			
Judge .....	Kent E. Smith .....	P.O. Box 670 .....	Holly Springs 38635 .....	(662)252-6311.....(662)447-3332	
Judge .....	J. Kelly Luther .....	102 N Main St., .....	Ripley 38663 .....	(662)837-7884.....(662)837-7513	
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**Leflore, Sunflower, & Washington Counties (4th Circuit District)**

Judge .....	Carol White-Richard .....	P.O. Box 686 .....	Indianola 38751 .....	(662)445-1996.....(662)887-5656	
Judge .....	Richard A. Smith .....	P.O. Box 10239 .....	Greenwood 38930 .....	(662)453-1429.....(662)455-9056	
Judge .....	Margaret Carey-McCrory ....	P.O. Box 1775 .....	Greenville 38702-1775 ....	(662)334-2797.....(662)334-2716	
Judge .....	W. Ashley Hines .....	P.O. Box 1315 .....	Greenville 38702-1315 ....	(662)334-2652.....(662)335-2381	

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**Attala, Carroll, Choctaw, Grenada, Montgomery, Webster, & Winston Counties (5th Circuit District)**

Judge .....	George Mitchell, Jr. ....	P.O. Drawer J .....	Eupora 39744 .....	(662)258-3691...(f)	(662)258-6855
Judge .....	Joseph H. Loper, Jr. ....	P.O. Box 616 .....	Ackerman 39735 .....	(662)285-3818.....(662)285-3160	

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**Adams, Amite, Franklin, & Wilkinson Counties (6th Circuit District)**

Judge .....	Lillie Blackmon Sanders .....	115 South Wall St. ....	Natchez 39120 .....	(601)445-7933...(f)	(601)445-2369
Judge .....	Debra W. Blackwell .....	115 South Wall St. ....	Natchez 39120 .....	(601)442-8363.....(601)445-7954	

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**Hinds County (7th Circuit District)**

Judge .....	Adrienne Wooten .....	P.O. Box 327 .....	Jackson 39205 .....	(601)968-6679...(f)	(601)973-5541
Judge .....	Winston Kidd .....	P.O. Box 327 .....	Jackson 39205 .....	(601)968-6688.....(601)714-6305	
Judge .....	Eleanor Faye Peterson .....	P.O. Box 327 .....	Jackson 39205 .....	(601)714-6222.....(601)948-2689	
Judge .....	Tomie T. Green .....	P.O. Box 327 .....	Jackson 39205 .....	(601)968-6658.....(601)714-6270	

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**Leake, Neshoba, Newton, & Scott Counties (8th Circuit District)**

Judge .....	Mark Duncan .....	201 Range Ave. ....	Philadelphia 39350 .....	(601)656-5776...(f)	(601)656-3329
Judge .....	Caleb E. May .....	P.O. Box 388 .....	Philadelphia 39350 .....	(601)656-4830.....No fax	

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**Issaquena, Sharkey, & Warren Counties (9th Circuit District)**

Judge .....	M. James Chaney, Jr. ....	P.O. Box 351 .....	Vicksburg 39181 .....	(601)638-8981...(f)	(601)630-8033
Judge .....	Toni Walker Terrett .....	P.O. Box 351 .....	Vicksburg 39181 .....	(601)634-8042.....(601)634-8049	

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**Clarke, Kemper, Lauderdale, & Wayne Counties (10th Circuit District)**

Judge .....	Robert T. (Bo) Bailey .....	P.O. Box 1262 .....	Meridian 39302 .....	(601)482-9741...(f)	(601)486-4933
Judge .....	Charles W. Wright, Jr. ....	P.O. Box 1677 .....	Meridian 39302 .....	(601)482-9741.....(601)486-4933	

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**Bolivar, Coahoma, Quitman, & Tunica Counties (11th Circuit District)**

Judge ..... Charles E. Webster.....P.O. Drawer 998.....Clarksdale 38614 .....(662)624-3017...(f) (662)624-2515  
Judge ..... Albert B. Smith III .....P.O. Drawer 478.....Cleveland 38732 .....(662)843-3346.....(662)846-2930  
Judge ..... Linda F. Coleman.....P.O. Drawer 548.....Cleveland 38732 .....(662)846-2939.....(662)846-2937

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**Forrest & Perry Counties (12th Circuit District)**

Judge ..... Robert B. Helfrich .....P.O. Box 309.....Hattiesburg 39403 .....(601)544-5495...(f) (601)545-6179  
Judge ..... Jon Mark Weathers.....P.O. Box 830.....Hattiesburg 39403 .....(601)544-8230.....(601)544-8255

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**Covington, Jasper, Simpson, & Smith Counties (13th Circuit District)**

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Judge ..... Stanley Sorey .....P.O. Box 861.....Raleigh 39153 .....(601)782-9999..... No Fax

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**Lincoln, Pike, & Walthall Counties (14th Circuit District)**

Judge ..... Michael M. Taylor .....P.O. Drawer 1350.....Brookhaven 39602 .....(601)835-1576...(f) (601)835-5644  
Judge ..... David H. Strong, Jr. .....P.O. Box 1387.....McComb 39649 .....(601)684-3400.....(601)684-2700

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**Jefferson Davis, Lamar, Lawrence, Marion, & Pearl River Counties (15th Circuit District)**

Judge ..... Anthony A. Mozingo .....P.O. Drawer 269 ..... Purvis 39475 .....(601)794-1051...(f) (601)794-3547  
Judge ..... Prentiss G. Harrell .....P.O. Box 488 ..... Purvis 39475 .....(601)794-6035.....(601)794-2801  
Judge ..... Claiborne McDonald .....P.O. Box 590 ..... Poplarville 39470 .....(601)403-2360.....(601)403-2363

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**Clay, Oktibbeha, Lowndes, & Noxubee Counties (16th Circuit District)**

Judge ..... Lee J. Howard .....P.O. Box 1679 ..... Starkville 39760 .....(662)323-6765...(f) (662)323-1121  
Judge ..... James T. Kitchens, Jr. .....P.O. Box 1387 ..... Columbus 39703 .....(662)329-5919.....(662)245-4632  
Judge ..... Lee S. Coleman .....P.O. Drawer 1033 ..... West Point 39773 .....(662)494-4893.....(662)494-0195

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**DeSoto, Panola, Tallahatchie, Tate, & Yalobusha Counties (17th Circuit District)**

Judge ..... Celeste Embrey Wilson .....2535 Hwy. 51 S. .... Hernando 38632 .....(662)469-8359...(f) (662)469-8370  
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**Jones County (18th Circuit District)**

Judge ..... Dal Williamson .....P.O. Box 65 ..... Laurel 39441 .....(601)428-4572.....(601)428-3189

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**George, Greene, & Jackson Counties (19th Circuit District)**

Judge ..... Robert P. Krebs .....P.O. Box 998 .....Pascagoula 39568 .....(228)769-3438...(f) (228)769-3262  
Judge ..... Dale Harkey .....P.O. Box 998 .....Pascagoula 39568 .....(228)769-3434.....(228)769-3262  
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**Rankin & Madison Counties (20th Circuit District)**

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Judge ..... Martin Bradley Mills .....P.O. Box 1689 .....Brandon 39043 .....(601)824-2427.....(601)824-2441  
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**Holmes, Humphreys, & Yazoo Counties (21st Circuit District)**

Judge .....Jannie M. Lewis-Blackmon.....P.O. Box 149 ..... Lexington 39095 .....(662)834-1452...(f) (662)834-1481

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**Copiah, Claiborne, & Jefferson Counties (22nd Circuit District)**

Judge ..... Tomika H. Irving .....P.O. Box 278 .....Fayette 39069 .....(601)786-9600...(f) (601)786-8900

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