

CIRCUIT COURT OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

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Dear Jackson County Citizen:

The judicial system in the United States is held in high esteem by many people around the world who yearn to live in a country ruled by laws, and to have their disputes heard by a jury of their peers. Our democracy is built upon the foundation of the three branches of government to create a just and lawful land.

I speak for the 35 judicial officers of this Court when I say that it is an honor to serve as a judge in our legal system, and a privilege to serve the people of Jackson County in the 16th Judicial Circuit.

As judges, when we took the oath of office, we pledged to uphold the constitutions and the laws of the United States and the State of Missouri.

The Bill of Rights in the Missouri Constitution states, "The courts of justice shall be open to every person, and certain remedy afforded for every injury to person, property or character, and that right and justice shall be administered without sale, denial or delay."

Our pledge to you, the citizens of Jackson County, is that we will do our very best to carry out the duties set forth above to the best of our abilities. Thank you for entrusting us with the office.

Sincerely,

The Honorable Marco A. Roldan Presiding Judge

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