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News Release

Tiffany D. Gregg Appointed as Treatment Court Commissioner

Tiffany D. Gregg was appointed today as the treatment court commissioner of Division 50 by the judges of the 16th Judicial Circuit at a meeting of the Court en Banc. At the time of her appointment, Gregg was serving as an attorney with the Missouri State Public Defender's Office.

In the past five years, Gregg has served as a member of the Court's treatment team in her role as a defense attorney. She attended daily staff meetings with current Commissioner David J. Fry and the attorneys with the Jackson County Prosecutor's Office to discuss treatment issues of participants in the program. Those discussions included whether participants needed additional treatment, alternative resources or possibly sanctions in order for them to successfully complete the court ordered treatment program.

"The Court is pleased that Tiffany Gregg will become our next treatment court commissioner as she is knowledgeable about the law, has extensive experience in mental health and drug treatment issues, and is familiar with the practices and policies of the treatment court in Jackson County," said Presiding Judge David M. Byrn.

Gregg joined the Missouri Public Defender's Office in 2007 after graduation from the University of Missouri-Kansas City Law School. She has represented a range of clients from those charged with motor vehicle infractions to those charged with murder. Since 2017, she has also worked as an Adjunct Professor at UMKC Law School.

The new treatment court commissioner will preside over the Drug Court, Mental Health Court and Veterans Court. All of these courts are designed to give individuals who qualify an opportunity to go through an extensive court ordered drug treatment program rather than the normal path in the criminal justice system. Since creating one of the first drug courts in the nation in 1993, Jackson County has significantly expanded its diversion programming.

Gregg was appointed to fill the judicial vacancy that will occur when Commissioner Fry retires on December 31, 2020 after serving 13 years on the bench.

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