



IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI
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Commissioner S. Margene Burnett
Elected President of the Board of
Missouri Association of Probate and Associate Circuit Judges



16th Judicial Circuit Court **Deputy Commissioner S. Margene Burnett** was elected President of the Board of the Missouri Association of Probate and Associate Circuit Judges at their recent annual conference. Prior to her election as President, Commissioner Burnett was Vice President of the Board. As such, Commissioner Burnett held full responsibility for the continuing legal education programs presented at the 3 day conference.

Commissioner Burnett was appointed Deputy Commissioner of the Probate Division by the Judges of the 16th Judicial Circuit in 2003, and is currently a candidate for the open judgeship in Division 13 at the Court. She served as Respondent's Counsel for mentally ill and incapacitated adults and was in private practice prior to her appointment as Deputy Commissioner. A life-long Kansas City resident, she received her law degree from the University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law and Bachelors degrees in magazine journalism and political science from the University of Missouri-Columbia.

Judge Gregory B. Gillis was re-elected to the Board as Historian of the Association. Judge Gillis was appointed by Governor Bob Holden in 2001, after serving as Drug Court Commissioner. Prior to that, he served as a Jackson County Assistant Prosecuting Attorney for 12 years. Also a life-long Kansas City resident, Judge Gillis received both his Bachelors and his law degree from the University of Missouri – Columbia.

The Missouri Association of Probate and Associate Circuit Judges provides continuing legal education at its conference, with its membership open to all state judges and commissioners.

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