

16th Judicial Circuit, Jackson County, Missouri

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Attorney Daniel C. Berezoski Appointed as New Family Court Commissioner

Attorney Daniel C. Berezoski was appointed today as Jackson County Family Court Commissioner of Division 40 at a meeting of the Court en Banc. He will fill the vacancy that will be created by the upcoming retirement of Commissioner William R. Jackson.

Berezoski is currently an attorney at Husch Blackwell where he handles the pro bono cases that are assigned to the firm by the Family Court. Since joining the firm in July 2015, Berezoski has primarily represented indigent parents in abuse and neglect cases, as well as, termination of parental rights cases. He also receives appointments from the Family Court to represent youths in delinquency cases and certification proceedings.

Prior to that, he was an attorney in the Office of the Juvenile Officer and an attorney with the Missouri Department of Social Services.

"Daniel Berezoski is an experienced attorney who has dedicated his life to serving families in the Jackson County Family Court," said Presiding Judge Jalilah Otto. "He has a deep understanding of juvenile law and has maintained a constant presence in the Family Court for over a decade. We are pleased that he will be joining the Jackson County Circuit Court as our newest commissioner."

Berezoski is involved in several organizations related to legal issues involving children. He is a member of the Missouri Psychotropic Medication Advisory Committee that provides professional consultation and policy advice on the administration of medications to children in the custody of the Children's Division and in foster care. He is a board member of the Kansas City Youth Court. He has taught a number of continuing education classes to attorneys related to Juvenile Law.

Berezoski is a graduate of Texas A & M University where he received a Bachelor of Science degree in Genetics. He earned a Juris Doctor degree from the University of Missouri – Kansas City Law School.

Berezoski will join the Court upon the retirement of Commissioner Jackson on July 7, 2023. Jackson was appointed Commissioner in June 2015. He was appointed Juvenile Officer in January 2013. Jackson joined the Family Court in 1987 as an attorney for the Office of the Juvenile Officer. He will retire upon reaching Missouri's mandatory retirement age of 70 for judicial officers.