



16th Circuit Court
Jackson County, Missouri

Probate Commissioner Panel Announced

October 20, 2021

The Probate Court Commissioner Selection Committee of the 16th Judicial Circuit has announced its panel of three applicants for the Probate Commissioner position. The applicants were interviewed on October 20, 2021, and will be selected at a special meeting of the Court en Banc on October 29, 2021.

The panel includes:

Amy DeGraeve, Attorney, The Counts Law Firm

Michelle Morris, Attorney, Jackson County Public Administrator

Kelly Willyard, Assistant Attorney General, Missouri Attorney General's Office

The Selection Committee consisted of Presiding Judge J. Dale Youngs, Judge Mark A. Styles, Jr. of Division 19, Judge Jerri J. Zhang of Division 3, Judge Jalilah Otto of Division 15 and Judge Susan E. Long of Division 34.

Missouri law requires the Probate Court Commissioner to possess the same qualifications as a circuit judge.