

THE DAY TIMES

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Oh What A Difference A DAY Makes!



It's a New Day here in the Davidson County Circuit Clerk's office as the 20th Circuit Court Clerk, Joseph P. Day, was officially sworn in on August 29, 2022. Mr. Day has had an exciting journey within the organization from his start in the summer of 1997. From summer intern to Chief Deputy of Public Relations and Employee Development, and now the 20th Circuit Court Clerk, Mr. Day has displayed an exemplary magnitude of leadership, his dedication to service, a heightened level of integrity, over twenty-five years of experience, and a passion for innovation that will take this organization to the next level, and beyond.

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As the clouds gathered above, Vice Mayor Jim Shulman reminded all in attendance what an amazing and monumental occasion we were witnessing. 5th Circuit and Presiding Judge, The Honorable Joe P. Binkley, Jr. had the pleasure of administering the oath of office, while Mr. Day's wife, Tomesia, and sons Jared and Jaden stood by his side. Following the signing of the oath, the new Circuit Court Clerk seal was unveiled. The seal depicts bright yellow beams of sun light behind a Davidson County scroll, with the scales of justice on the left and a feathered pen on the right. Prayer and remarks were given by Mayor John Cooper, Bro. Robert Catlin, Pastor Sonny Lyons, and Bishop Sandy McClain.

Immediately following, the conclusion of the ceremony, a reception was held on the third floor of the Old Historic Court House, where fellowship, photos, and congratulations were had. Delicious hors d'oeuvres and desserts were provided and served by Bacon & Caviar Catering and The Baking Room.

A NOTE FROM THE CLERK:

Good Day! Greetings from the Circuit Court Clerk's office. I am honored to serve as the 20th Circuit Court Clerk of this great city. I couldn't have achieved this without the help and guidance of those before me. I am very appreciative and will continue to lead the organization to new heights. I am excited to start this new chapter and grateful for the vote of confidence given to me by the voters of Nashville, Davidson County. I look forward to working with the Circuit, Probate and General Sessions Courts. We will work together to serve the citizens of Nashville and Davidson County. Our offices will stand on the principles:
Service ✨ Integrity ✨ Experience ✨ Innovation
It's Day Time!



THE DAY ADMINISTRATION

Joseph P. Day – Circuit Court Clerk

Tracy Cartwright - Chief Deputy of Operations

Brittany Hayes - Chief Deputy of Administrative Services & Legal Affairs

André Walton – Chief Deputy of Employee Development & Community Engagement

Jannika Newsom – Executive Administrative Assistant/HR Specialist

Trey Collier – ADA / Safety / Fleet Coordinator

Morgan Taylor – Community Outreach Coordinator

Jason Fulford – IT Support Manager

Jean Harris – Internal Auditor

Stephanie Chatman – Chief Clerk Circuit

Brian Kahrs - Chief Clerk Probate

Glenn Balletto – Chief Clerk General Sessions

Bill Cartwright – Chief Clerk Traffic

Tommy King – Chief Clerk of Special Projects

REMEMBERING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF THE

Honorable Judge Philip E. Smith



1960 – 2022



Talk about a party! Employees, family, friends, and colleagues gathered August 26th to celebrate the nearly 30 years of leadership, dedication, and commitment to public service of the 19th Circuit Court Clerk, Richard R. Rooker.

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CIRCUIT COURT CLERK



WORDS FROM RRR:

"Words cannot express how proud I am of you and the organization that we built together. When I think back on my time here and in my many different roles throughout the organization, I am certain of one thing – the people in this organization that show up in so many ways on a daily basis is the recipe that has made our office an undoubted success. I think of the time when we transitioned to computers and then survived the courthouse renovations. I think of how we established our e-filing system as a nationwide example as to how technology can transform the legal system which benefits all involved. I think of how we weathered the COVID-19 pandemic when so much was uncertain. Again, and again, I knew I could depend on you all to accomplish what was needed even when it changed on a daily basis. I could not be prouder of you and our office. I will miss you greatly and know that your next chapters will be a success."

Deputy Clerks representing the organization's four offices, Circuit, General Sessions, Probate, and Traffic, were officially sworn-in by 2nd Circuit Judge, the Honorable Amanda McClendon September 1st.



The first All Team's Lunch was held September 7th. with a delectable meal catered by Monell's. The main goal of the All Team's Lunch is to create a space for members of the organization to connect with those who they don't see often or have never met through food and fellowship.



Titan Up Friday !!



Trial Verdicts



Jury Trials

WEEK OF AUGUST 22, 2022							
CASE NUMBER	TYPE OF CASE	CT	π / Δ	CIRCUIT JUDGMENT	% FAULT	GS JUDGMENT	BY
18C2798	AUTO	6	π	\$65,000.00			
WEEK OF AUGUST 29, 2022							
CASE NUMBER	TYPE OF CASE	CT	π / Δ	CIRCUIT JUDGMENT	% FAULT	GS JUDGMENT	BY
20C1866	AUTO	6	π #1	\$17,250.00			
20C591	AUTO	5		HUNG JURY ON 8.31.22.			

Non-Jury Trials

CASE NUMBER	TYPE OF CASE	CT	π / Δ	CIRCUIT JUDGMENT	% FAULT	GS JUDGMENT	BY
SPECIALLY SET TRIALS:							
CASE NUMBER	TYPE OF CASE	CT	π / Δ	CIRCUIT JUDGMENT	DATE OF	GS JUDGMENT	BY
22C703	GSA - CONTRACT	6	Δ	DISMISSED	8.1.22	π \$10,000.00	Δ
21C2041	GSA - CONTRACT	6	Δ	DISMISSED	8.1.22	π \$10,000.00	Δ
18C3153	NEGLIGENCE - DAMAGES HEARING	6	π	\$1,000,000.00	8.3.22		
22C591	METRO APPEAL	5	π	Δ GUILTY OF UNLAWFUL USE OF WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATION DEVICE T.C.A. § 55-8-199, FINE OF \$25 PLUS \$10 COURT COSTS PER STATUTE	8.8.22	\$25 FINE	Δ
21C1798	GSA - AUTO	2	Δ	CASE DISMISSED W/O PREJUDICE	8.10.22	π \$4,251.00	Δ
15C2901	NEGLIGENCE - FAILURE TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE SECURITY	8	π	π \$300,000.00 PAIN AND SUFFERING; Δ ELLIS ATTY. FEES \$29,590.00 AND EXPENSES OF \$2,185.76 FOR TOTAL OF \$31,745.76. ALL OTHER MATTERS DIS., COURT COSTS TAXED TO Δ EICHEL.	8.2.22		
22C767	BREACH OF CONTRACT - DAMAGES	6	π	\$80,000.00 + ATTY. FEES	8.10.22		
22C1447	DETAINER WARRANT	5	π	WRIT TO ISSUE IMMEDIATELY,	8.22.22	POSSESSION ONLY	Δ
21C2210	DETAINER WARRANT	8	π	\$10,672.00 + COURT COSTS TO Δ.	8.10.22	POSSESSION ONLY	π
22C430	METRO APPEAL	2	π	SPEED AMENDED TO 75 IN 70. FINE & COST UPHELD.	8.30.22		

Department Numbers

<u>Circuit Court</u>	<u>Aug.</u>	<u>YTD</u>
New Civil Cases	242	1,454
Jury Demand	119	974
Non-Jury	58	415
New Divorce Cases Filed	185	1,281
Domestic Petitions Filed	7	47
Orders of Protection Filed	68	489
Orders of Protection Granted	26	201
Orders of Protection Dismissed	78	509
Judicial Committals Filed	16	158
New Adoption Petitions	9	67
Civil Cases Concluded	289	1,645
Jury Demand	184	1,280
Non-Jury	42	304
Divorce Cases Concluded	181	1,661
Domestic Petitions Concluded	10	124

<u>General Sessions</u>	<u>Aug.</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Total New Cases Filed	4,012	27,687
Civil Warrants	1,752	11,879
Detainer Warrants	1,232	7,703
Recovery Warrants	9	52
Order of Protection Petitions	279	2,109
Orders of Protection Granted	74	540
Orders of Protection Dismissed	264	1,525
Emergency Committals	698	5,594
Immediate Possession	3	27
Sue & Attach	0	2
Petitions to Interplead	1	2
Counter-Claims	1	24
Distress Warrants	38	319
Executions Issued	3,742	30,218
Garnishment Payments	3,983	30,205
Judgments Collected	\$1,291,124	\$9,507,662

<u>Probate</u>	<u>Aug.</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Total New Cases Filed	223	1,645
Total Closed Cases	204	1,569
Petitions to Probate Will	81	585
Probate Will for Muniment of Title	11	65
Letters of Administration	47	335
Small Estate Affidavits	31	319
Conservatorship	41	260
Guardianship of Minor	2	19
Name Change	8	39
Trust Matters	2	18
Other Miscellaneous	0	5

<u>Traffic Violations Bureau</u>	<u>Aug.</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Total Traffic Violations	6,540	40,500
Moving Citations	1,846	15,712
Parking Citations	4,964	24,788
Environmental Citations	230	923
Civil Misdemeanor Citations	14	296
Total Fines Collected	\$169,922	\$1,172,662
Nullifications	116	879
Nullification Fees Collected	\$1,393	\$10,562

Congratulations and welcome
to our newly elected Judges!
We look forward to working with you.

Circuit Judges



1st Circuit: David Briley

2nd Circuit: Amanda McClendon

3rd Circuit: Phillip Robinson

4th Circuit: (Muriel Robinson) - Interim

5th Circuit: Joe Binkley

6th Circuit: Thomas Brothers

7th Circuit: Andra Hedrick

8th Circuit: Lynne Ingram



General Sessions Judges



Division I: Gale Robinson

Division II: Melissa Blackburn

Division III: Ana Escobar

Division IV: Allegra Walker

Division V: Robin Hayes

Division VI: Jim Todd

Division VII: Marcus Floyd

Division VIII: Rachel Bell

Division IX: Lynda Jones

Division X: Sam Coleman

Division XI: Aaron Holt



Special thanks to **Nick Lane** for his creative mind, skills, ability and assistance in creating the new Circuit Court Clerk seal.

Happy Birthday

Jean Harris ~ September 4th

Bill Cartwright ~ September 11th

Debra Vaughn ~ September 16th

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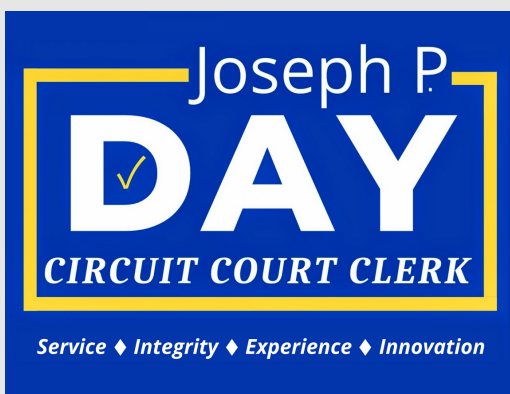
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