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For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT CONCERNING DISTRICT COURTS; TO MAKE TECHNICAL
CORRECTIONS; TO CLARIFY STATUTES; TO REPEAL
UNNECESSARY STATUTES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

CONCERNING DISTRICT COURTS; TO MAKE
TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; TO REPEAL
UNNECESSARY STATUTES; AND TO CLARIFY
STATUTES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 16, Chapter 17, Subchapter 9, is amended to read as follows:

Subchapter 9

– Judicial Districts – Judges For District Courts

16-17-901. Definitions.

As used in this subchapter, unless the context otherwise requires:

(1) “Department” means the physical location where sessions of district court are held; and

(2) “Division” means the subject matter division of the district court.

16-17-902. Counties having one district court.

(a) Each of the following counties shall have one (1) district court



and one (1) district judge:

- ~~(1) Bradley;~~
- ~~(2) Calhoun;~~
- ~~(3) Cleveland;~~
- ~~(4) Drew;~~
- ~~(5) Grant;~~
- ~~(6) Hempstead;~~
- ~~(7)(1) Howard;~~
- ~~(8) Independence;~~
- ~~(9) Lee;~~
- ~~(10) Madison;~~
- ~~(11) Miller;~~
- ~~(12)(2) Montgomery;~~
- ~~(13) Nevada;~~
- ~~(14) Newton;~~
- ~~(15)(3) Perry;~~
- (4) Polk;
- ~~(16)(5) Randolph;~~
- ~~(17)(6) Scott;~~
- ~~(18) Searey;~~
- ~~(19)(7) Sevier; and~~
- ~~(20)(8) Stone; and~~
- ~~(21) Union.~~

(b) The district court shall be located in the county seat of each county listed in subsection (a) of this section.

(c)(1) The judge of any district court located in a county with one (1) district court shall be elected countywide.

(2) If there is only one (1) district court in a county, it shall have countywide jurisdiction.

~~16-17-903. Crittenden County District Courts.~~

~~(a) Crittenden County shall have the following district courts and judges:~~

~~(1)(A) Marion shall have one (1) district court with six (6) departments:~~

- ~~(i) One (1) located in Marion;~~

- ~~(ii) One (1) located in Earle;~~
- ~~(iii) One (1) located in Gilmore;~~
- ~~(iv) One (1) located in Jericho;~~
- ~~(v) One (1) located in Sunset; and~~
- ~~(vi) One (1) located in Turrell.~~

~~(B) All six (6) departments are to be served by one (1) judge; and~~

~~(2)(A) West Memphis shall have one (1) district court with three (3) departments;~~

- ~~(i) One (1) located in West Memphis;~~
- ~~(ii) One (1) located in Edmonson; and~~
- ~~(iii) One (1) located in Jennette.~~

~~(B) All three (3) departments are to be served by one (1) judge.~~

~~(b) The jurisdiction of any district court in Crittenden County shall be countywide.~~

~~(c) The judge of any district court in Crittenden County shall be elected countywide.~~

16-17-904. Arkansas County District Courts.

(a) Arkansas County shall have the following district courts and judges:

(1) The Northern District shall have:

- (A) One (1) district court located in Stuttgart; and
- (B) One (1) district judge; and

(2) The Southern District shall have:

- (A) One (1) district court with three (3) departments:
 - (i) One (1) located in DeWitt;
 - (ii) One (1) located in Gillett; and
 - (iii) One (1) located in St. Charles.

(B) All three (3) departments are to be served by one (1) judge.

(b) The judge of any district court located in Arkansas County shall be elected by the electors of the judicial district in which the court is located.

(c) In Arkansas County, the jurisdiction of the district court shall

be limited to the judicial district in which the court is located.

~~16-17-905. Sebastian County District Courts.~~

~~(a) Sebastian County, having two (2) judicial districts, shall have the following district courts and judges:~~

~~(1)(A) One (1) district court in Fort Smith with two (2) departments and one (1) judge for each department.~~

~~(B) Effective January 1, 2009, the Fort Smith District shall have:~~

~~(i) One (1) district court with three (3) departments located in Fort Smith; and~~

~~(ii)(a) One (1) judge for each department.~~

~~(b) The additional district court judgeship created under subdivision (a)(1)(B) of this section shall be elected by the qualified electors of the Fort Smith District at the 2008 nonpartisan judicial general election; and~~

~~(2) The Greenwood District shall have:~~

~~(A) One (1) district court with three (3) departments:~~

~~(i) One (1) located in Greenwood;~~

~~(ii) One (1) located in Barling; and~~

~~(iii) One (1) located in Central City; and~~

~~(B) One (1) district judge to serve all three (3) departments.~~

~~(b) The judge of any district court in Sebastian County shall be elected by the electors of the judicial district in which the court is located.~~

~~(c) The jurisdiction of the district courts in Sebastian County shall be limited to the judicial district in which the court is located.~~

~~16-17-906. Craighead County District Court.~~

~~(a)(1) Craighead County shall have one (1) district court with two (2) departments.~~

~~(2)(A) One (1) department shall be located in Jonesboro; and~~

~~(B) One (1) department shall be located in Lake City.~~

~~(3) Both departments are to be served by one (1) judge.~~

~~(b) The Craighead County District Court Judge shall be elected~~

~~countywide.~~

~~(c) The Craighead County District Court shall have countywide jurisdiction.~~

16-17-907. Clay County District Court.

(a)(1) Clay County shall have one (1) district court with three (3) departments:

- (A) One (1) located in Corning;
- (B) One (1) located in Piggott; and
- (C) One (1) located in Rector.

(2) All three departments are to be served by one (1) judge.

(b) The Clay County District Court Judge shall be elected countywide.

(c) The Clay County District Court shall have countywide jurisdiction.

~~16-17-908. Ashley County District Courts.~~

~~(a) Ashley County shall have one (1) district court with two (2) departments, one (1) located in Crossett and one (1) located in Hamburg, and one (1) judge for each department.~~

~~(b) The judges of Ashley County District Court shall be elected countywide.~~

~~(c) The Ashley County District Court shall have countywide jurisdiction.~~

~~16-17-909. Benton County District Courts.~~

~~(a)(1) Benton County shall have the following district courts and judges:~~

~~(A) Rogers shall have one (1) district court and one (1) district judge;~~

~~(B) Bentonville shall have one (1) district court and one (1) district judge;~~

~~(C) Siloam Springs shall have one (1) district court and one (1) district judge; and~~

~~(D) Benton County West shall have one (1) district court and one (1) district judge.~~

~~(2)(A) Benton County shall have the following departments:~~

~~(i) One (1) located in Bethel Heights;~~

- ~~(ii) One (1) located in Cave Springs;~~
- ~~(iii) One (1) located in Centerton;~~
- ~~(iv) One (1) located in Gravette;~~
- ~~(v) One (1) located in Little Flock;~~
- ~~(vi) One (1) located in Lowell;~~
- ~~(vii) One (1) located in Pea Ridge; and~~
- ~~(viii) One (1) located in Sulphur Springs.~~

~~(B) The presiding judge of the departments under subdivision (a)(2)(A) of this section shall be determined by the mutual agreement of the district court judges under the superintending control of the Nineteenth Judicial District — West administrative circuit judge.~~

~~(3) For the purpose of venue, the district court boundaries in Benton County shall be as follows:~~

~~(A) Rogers District Court (District Court 1):~~

~~(i) All of District 94, District 95, and District 96 of the House of Representatives as drawn by The Board of Apportionment in 2002;~~

~~(ii) That part of District 98 of the House of Representatives as drawn by The Board of Apportionment in 2002 that is in Benton County Quorum Court District 1 as established by the Benton County Election Commission;~~

~~(iii) That part of Benton County Quorum Court District 6 as established by the Benton County Election Commission that is in District 96 and District 98 of the House of Representatives as drawn by The Board of Apportionment in 2002; and~~

~~(iv) All of precinct 43, precinct 44, and precinct 49, as those precincts existed in 2003;~~

~~(B) Bentonville District Court (District Court 2 — Bentonville):~~

~~(i) All of District 7, District 8, District 10, and District 9 except for precinct 22, as that precinct existed in 2003, of the Benton County Quorum Court as established by the Benton County Election Commission;~~

~~(ii) All of District 99 of the House of Representatives as drawn by The Board of Apportionment in 2002 except for precinct 43, precinct 44, and precinct 49, as those precincts existed in 2003;~~

and

~~(iii) All of precinct 45, as that precinct existed in 2003;~~

~~(C) Siloam Springs District Court (District Court 3—Siloam Springs):~~

~~(i) All of District 97 of the House of Representatives as drawn by The Board of Apportionment in 2002; and~~

~~(ii) All of precinct 7, precinct 14, precinct 16, and precinct 17, as those precincts existed in 2003; and~~

~~(D) Benton County West District Court (District Court 4—Benton County West):~~

~~(i) All of Benton County Quorum Court District 11 as established by the Benton County Election Commission; and~~

~~(ii) All of precinct 6, precinct 15, precinct 18, precinct 19, and precinct 22, as those precincts existed in 2003.~~

~~(b) The judge of any district court in Benton County shall be elected countywide.~~

~~(c) The jurisdiction of any district court in Benton County shall be countywide.~~

~~16-17-910. Chicot County District Court.~~

~~(a)(1) Chicot County shall have one (1) district court with the following three (3) departments:~~

~~(A) One (1) located in Dermott;~~

~~(B) One (1) located in Eudora; and~~

~~(C) One (1) located in Lake Village.~~

~~(2) Each department shall have one (1) judge.~~

~~(b) The judges of Chicot County District Court shall be elected countywide.~~

~~(c) The Chicot County District Court shall have countywide jurisdiction.~~

~~16-17-911. Desha County District Court.~~

~~(a)(1) Desha County shall have one (1) district court with the following two (2) departments:~~

~~(A) One (1) located in Dumas; and~~

~~(B) One (1) located in McGehee.~~

~~(2) Each department shall have one (1) judge.~~

~~(b) The judges of Desha County District Court shall be elected countywide.~~

~~(c) The Desha County District Court shall have countywide jurisdiction.~~

16-17-912. Garland County District Court.

(a)(1) Garland County shall have one (1) district court with three (3) departments:

(A) Two (2) located in Hot Springs; and

(B) One (1) located in Mountain Pine.

(2) All three (3) departments are to be served by two (2) judges.

(b) The judges of Garland County District Court shall be elected countywide.

(c) The Garland County District Court shall have countywide jurisdiction.

~~16-17-913. Jefferson County District Courts.~~

~~(a) Jefferson County shall have the following district courts and judges:~~

~~(1) Pine Bluff shall have one (1) district court, known as the Pine Bluff District Court, and one (1) judge; and~~

~~(2) Jefferson County shall have:~~

~~(A) One (1) district court, known as the Jefferson County District Court, with six (6) departments:~~

~~(i) One (1) located in Pine Bluff;~~

~~(ii) One (1) located in Altheimer;~~

~~(iii) One (1) located in Humphrey;~~

~~(iv) One (1) located in White Hall;~~

~~(v) One (1) located in Wabbaseka; and~~

~~(vi) One (1) located in Redfield.~~

~~(B) All six (6) departments are to be served by one (1) judge.~~

~~(b)(1) The judge of the Pine Bluff District Court shall be elected by~~

~~the qualified electors of the City of Pine Bluff.~~

~~(2) The Pine Bluff District Court shall have jurisdiction only within the city limits of Pine Bluff, as now or in the future may be constituted.~~

~~(c)(1) The judge of the Jefferson County District Court shall be elected countywide.~~

~~(2) The Jefferson County District Court shall have countywide jurisdiction.~~

16-17-914. Lonoke County District Courts.

(a) Lonoke County, having two (2) judicial districts, shall have the following district courts and judges:

(1) The Northern District of Lonoke County shall have:

(A) One (1) district court, with three (3) departments:

- (i) One (1) located in Cabot;
- (ii) One (1) located in Ward; and
- (iii) One (1) located in Austin.

(B) All three (3) departments are to be served by one (1) district judge; and

(2)(A) The Southern District of Lonoke County shall have one (1) district court with five (5) departments as follows:

- (i) One (1) located in Lonoke;
- (ii) One (1) located in England;
- (iii) One (1) located in Carlisle;
- (iv) One (1) located in Allport; and
- (v) One (1) located in Humnoke.

~~(B) The department in Lonoke is to be served by one (1) judge.~~

~~(C) The department in England is to be served by one (1) judge.~~

~~(D)(B) All three (3) departments in Carlisle, Allport, and Humnoke five (5) departments are to be served by one (1) judge.~~

(b) The district court boundaries in Lonoke County shall be as follows:

(1) The Northern District of Lonoke County shall consist of the townships of Butler, Caroline, Cleveland, Eagle, Goodrum, Magness, Oak Grove,

Prairie, Totten, Ward, and York; and

(2) The Southern District of Lonoke County shall consist of the townships of Carlisle, Crooked Creek, Dortch, Fletcher, Furlow, Gum Woods, Gray, Hamilton, Indian Bayou, Isbell, Lafayette, Lonoke, Pettus, Richwoods, Pulaski, Scott, Williams, and Walls.

(c) The judge of any district court in Lonoke County shall be elected by the qualified electors of the judicial district in which the court is located.

(d) The jurisdiction of each district court in Lonoke County shall be limited to the judicial district in which the court is located.

16-17-915. Monroe County District Court.

(a)(1) Monroe County shall have one (1) district court with three (3) departments as follows:

- (A) One (1) located in Brinkley;
- (B) One (1) located in Clarendon; and
- (C) One (1) located in Holly Grove.

(2)(A) The ~~Brinkley Department~~ department in Brinkley is to be served by one (1) judge.

(B) The two (2) departments in Clarendon and Holly Grove are to be served by one (1) judge.

(b) The judges of the Monroe County District Court shall be elected countywide.

(c) The Monroe County District Court shall have countywide jurisdiction.

16-17-916. Ouachita County District Courts.

(a) Ouachita County shall have the following district courts and judges:

- (1) Camden shall have:
 - (A) One (1) district court; and
 - (B) One (1) judge; and
- (2) East Camden shall have:
 - (A) One (1) district court with four (4) departments:
 - (i) One (1) located in Bearden;
 - (ii) One (1) located in Chidester;

(iii) One (1) located in East Camden; and

(iv) One (1) located in Stephens.

(B) All four (4) departments are to be served by one (1) judge.

(b)(1) The judge of the Camden District Court shall be elected countywide.

(2) The Camden District Court shall have countywide jurisdiction.

(c)(1) The judge of the East Camden District Court shall be elected countywide.

(2) The East Camden District Court shall have countywide jurisdiction.

~~16-17-917. Phillips County District Court.~~

~~(a)(1) Phillips County shall have one (1) district court with five (5) departments as follows:~~

~~(A) Two (2) located in Helena-West Helena;~~

~~(B) One (1) located in Lake View;~~

~~(C) One (1) located in Elaine; and~~

~~(D) One (1) located in Marvell.~~

~~(2) All five (5) departments are to be served by two (2) judges.~~

~~(b) The judges of the Phillips County District Court shall be elected countywide.~~

~~(c) The Phillips County District Court shall have countywide jurisdiction.~~

~~16-17-918. Saline County District Court.~~

~~(a)(1) Saline County shall have one (1) district court with six (6) departments as follows:~~

~~(A) One (1) located in Benton;~~

~~(B) One (1) located in Bryant;~~

~~(C) One (1) located in Alexander;~~

~~(D) One (1) located in Bauxite;~~

~~(E) One (1) located in Haskell; and~~

~~(F) One (1) located in Shannon Hills.~~

~~(2)(A) The department in Benton shall have one (1) judge.~~

~~(B) One (1) judge shall serve all five (5) departments in Bryant, Alexander, Bauxite, Haskell, and Shannon Hills.~~

~~(b) The judges of the Saline County District Court shall be elected by the qualified electors of Saline County and the City of Alexander.~~

~~(c) The Saline County District Court shall have jurisdiction of Saline County and the City of Alexander.~~

~~16-17-919. Washington County District Courts.~~

~~(a)(1) Washington County shall have the following district courts and judges:~~

~~(A) Springdale shall have:~~

~~(i) One (1) district court with three (3)~~

~~departments:~~

~~(a) One (1) located in Springdale;~~

~~(b) One (1) located in Elm Springs; and~~

~~(c) One (1) located in Johnson.~~

~~(ii) All three (3) departments are to be served by~~

~~one (1) judge;~~

~~(B) Fayetteville shall have one (1) district court and one~~

~~(1) judge;~~

~~(C) Elkins shall have one (1) district court and one (1)~~

~~judge;~~

~~(D) West Fork shall have:~~

~~(i) One (1) district court with two (2) departments:~~

~~(a) One (1) located in West Fork; and~~

~~(b) One (1) located in Greenland.~~

~~(ii) Both departments are to be served by one (1)~~

~~judge; and~~

~~(E) Prairie Grove shall have:~~

~~(i) One (1) district court with three (3)~~

~~departments:~~

~~(a) One (1) located in Prairie Grove;~~

~~(b) One (1) located in Lincoln; and~~

~~(c) One (1) located in Farmington.~~

~~(ii) All three (3) departments are to be served by~~

~~one (1) judge.~~

~~(2) The district court boundaries in Washington County shall be as follows:~~

~~(A) For Springdale District Court:~~

~~(i) The city limits of Springdale as now or in the future constituted;~~

~~(ii) The township of Elm Springs;~~

~~(iii) The township of Tontitown;~~

~~(iv) The township of Harmon; and~~

~~(v) That portion of the township of Johnson that lies outside the city limits of Fayetteville;~~

~~(B) For Fayetteville District Court, the city limits of Fayetteville as now or in the future constituted;~~

~~(C) For Elkins District Court, the townships of:~~

~~(i) Brush Creek;~~

~~(ii) Springdale 1;~~

~~(iii) Prairie 1;~~

~~(iv) Goshen;~~

~~(v) Wyman;~~

~~(vi) Prairie 2;~~

~~(vii) Richland;~~

~~(viii) Richland Senate;~~

~~(ix) White River; and~~

~~(x) Durham;~~

~~(D) For West Fork District Court:~~

~~(i) The township of Valley;~~

~~(ii) The township of West Fork;~~

~~(iii) The township of Crawford;~~

~~(iv) The township of Reed;~~

~~(v) The township of Winslow;~~

~~(vi) The township of Lee's Creek;~~

~~(vii) The township of Cove Creek;~~

~~(viii) The township of Boston;~~

~~(ix) The township of Vineyard; and~~

~~(x) That portion of the township of Greenland that lies outside the city limits of Fayetteville; and~~

~~(E) For Prairie Grove District Court, the townships of:~~

- ~~(i) — Prairie 4;~~
- ~~(ii) — Prairie 3;~~
- ~~(iii) — Wheeler;~~
- ~~(iv) — Litteral;~~
- ~~(v) — Center House;~~
- ~~(vi) — Center;~~
- ~~(vii) — Prairie Grove Senate;~~
- ~~(viii) — Prairie Grove;~~
- ~~(ix) — Marrs Hill;~~
- ~~(x) — Weddington;~~
- ~~(xi) — Illinois;~~
- ~~(xii) — Rheas;~~
- ~~(xiii) — Price;~~
- ~~(xiv) — Starr Hill;~~
- ~~(xv) — Dutch Mills;~~
- ~~(xvi) — Morrow; and~~
- ~~(xvii) — Cane Hill.~~

~~(b) — The judge of any district court in Washington County shall be elected by the qualified electors within the judicial district in which the court is located.~~

~~(c) — The jurisdiction of any district court in Washington County shall be limited to the judicial district in which the court is located.~~

~~16-17-920. White County District Court.~~

~~(a) — White County shall have the following district courts and judges:~~

~~(1) — Beebe shall have one (1) district court and one (1) judge;~~

and

~~(2) — Searcy shall have:~~

~~(A) — One (1) district court with eight (8) departments:~~

- ~~(i) — One (1) located in Searcy;~~
- ~~(ii) — One (1) located in Bald Knob;~~
- ~~(iii) — One (1) located in Bradford;~~
- ~~(iv) — One (1) located in Judsonia;~~
- ~~(v) — One (1) located in McRae;~~
- ~~(vi) — One (1) located in Kensett;~~
- ~~(vii) — One (1) located in Pangburn; and~~

~~(viii) One (1) located in Rosebud.~~

~~(B) All eight (8) departments are to be served by one (1) judge.~~

~~(b) The judges of the White County District Court shall be elected countywide.~~

~~(c) The White County District Court shall have countywide jurisdiction.~~

~~16-17-921. Pulaski County District Courts.~~

~~Pulaski County shall have the following district courts and judges:~~

~~(1) Jacksonville shall have:~~

~~(A) One (1) district court with jurisdiction only within the city limits of Jacksonville, as now or in the future may be constituted; and~~

~~(B) One (1) judge to be elected by the qualified electors of the City of Jacksonville;~~

~~(2) Little Rock shall have:~~

~~(A) Three (3) departments of one (1) district court with jurisdiction only within the city limits of Little Rock, as now or in the future may be constituted; and~~

~~(B) One (1) judge for each department to be elected by the qualified electors of the City of Little Rock;~~

~~(3) North Little Rock shall have:~~

~~(A) Two (2) departments of one (1) district court with jurisdiction only within the city limits of North Little Rock, as now or in the future may be constituted; and~~

~~(B) One (1) judge for each department to be elected by the qualified electors of the City of North Little Rock;~~

~~(4) Maumelle shall have:~~

~~(A) One (1) district court with jurisdiction only within the city limits of Maumelle, as now or in the future may be constituted; and~~

~~(B) One (1) judge to be elected by the qualified electors of the City of Maumelle; and~~

~~(5)(A) Pulaski County shall have one (1) district court with the following four (4) departments:~~

~~(i) One (1) located in Pulaski County known as the~~

~~Pulaski County District Court;~~

~~(ii) One (1) located in Sherwood known as the Sherwood District Court;~~

~~(iii) One (1) located in Wrightsville known as the Wrightsville District Court; and~~

~~(iv) One (1) located in Gammaek Village known as the Gammaek Village District Court.~~

~~(B)(i) One (1) judge shall serve the department known as the Pulaski County District Court.~~

~~(ii) One (1) judge shall serve the department known as the Sherwood District Court.~~

~~(iii) Both departments known as the Wrightsville District Court and the Gammaek Village District Court are to be served by one (1) judge.~~

~~(C) The judges of the district court in Pulaski County shall be elected countywide.~~

~~(D) The district court located in Pulaski County shall have countywide jurisdiction.~~

16-17-922. Yell County District Courts.

(a)(1) Yell County, having two (2) judicial districts, shall have two (2) district courts with one (1) department located in the Northern District.

(2) The two (2) judicial districts shall each have one (1) part-time judge serviced by the one (1) department in the Northern District.

~~(b) The salary provided for the Yell County District Court Judge shall be divided at the rate of sixty-five percent (65%) for payment to the Northern District Judge and thirty-five percent (35%) to the Southern District Judge.~~

~~(e)(b) The judge of each district court in Yell County shall have jurisdiction within each respective Northern and Southern District.~~

~~(d)(c) The judge shall be elected within each respective district.~~

~~16-17-923. District Courts established—Election of district judges.~~

~~(a) District courts shall be established under this subchapter on July 16, 2003.~~

~~(b) The voters at the 2004 nonpartisan judicial general election shall~~

~~elect the number of district judges established under this subchapter, to take office effective January 1, 2005.~~

~~16-17-924. Poinsett County District Court.~~

~~(a)(1) Poinsett County shall have one (1) district court with six (6) departments:~~

~~(A) One (1) located in Marked Tree;~~

~~(B) One (1) located in Trumann;~~

~~(C) One (1) located in Tyronza;~~

~~(D) One (1) located in Lepanto;~~

~~(E) One (1) located in Harrisburg; and~~

~~(F) One (1) located in Weiner.~~

~~(2) All six (6) departments are to be served by one (1) judge.~~

~~(b) The Poinsett County District Court Judge shall be elected countywide.~~

~~(c) The Poinsett County District Court shall have countywide jurisdiction.~~

16-17-925. Sharp County District Court.

(a)(1) Sharp County shall have one (1) district court with two (2) departments:

(A) One (1) located in Ash Flat; and

(B) One (1) located in Cherokee Village.

(2) Both departments are to be served by (1) judge.

(b) The Sharp County District Court Judge shall be elected countywide.

(c) The Sharp County District Court shall have countywide jurisdiction.

16-17-926. Woodruff County District Court.

(a)(1) Woodruff County shall have one (1) district court with four (4) departments:

(A) One (1) located in Augusta;

(B) One (1) located in Cotton Plant;

(C) One (1) located in McCrory; and

(D) One (1) located in Patterson.

(2) All four (4) departments are to be served by one (1) judge.

(b) The Woodruff County District Court Judge shall be elected countywide.

(c) The Woodruff County District Court shall have countywide jurisdiction.

~~16-17-927. Prairie County District Courts.~~

~~(a) Prairie County, having two (2) judicial districts, shall have the following district courts and judges:~~

~~(1) The Northern District shall have:~~

~~(A) One (1) district court located in Des Arc; and~~

~~(B) One (1) district judge; and~~

~~(2) The Southern District shall have:~~

~~(A) One (1) district court with three (3) departments:~~

~~(i) One (1) located in Hazen;~~

~~(ii) One (1) located in Biscoe; and~~

~~(iii) One (1) located in DeValls Bluff; and~~

~~(B) One (1) district judge.~~

~~(b) The judge of any district court located in Prairie County shall be elected by the electors of the judicial district, as now or in the future may be constituted, in which the court is located.~~

~~(c) The jurisdiction of any district court in Prairie County shall be limited to the judicial district, as now or in the future may be constituted, in which the court is located.~~

16-17-928. Lawrence County District Court.

(a)(1) Lawrence County shall have one (1) district court with four (4) departments:

(A) One (1) located in Walnut Ridge;

(B) One (1) located in Hoxie;

(C) One (1) located in Black Rock; and

(D) One (1) located in Portia.

(2) All four (4) departments are to be served by one (1) judge.

(b) The Lawrence County District Court Judge shall be elected countywide.

(c) The Lawrence County District Court shall have countywide jurisdiction.

~~16-17-929. Mississippi County District Courts.~~

~~(a) Mississippi County, having two (2) judicial districts, shall have the following district courts and judges:~~

~~(1) The Oseeola District shall have:~~

~~(A) One (1) district court with two (2) departments:~~

~~(i) One (1) located in Oseeola; and~~

~~(ii) One (1) located in Joiner.~~

~~(B) Both departments are to be served by one (1) district judge; and~~

~~(2) The Chickasawba District shall have:~~

~~(A) One (1) district court with five (5) departments:~~

~~(i) One (1) located in Blytheville;~~

~~(ii) One (1) located in Manila;~~

~~(iii) One (1) located in Leachville;~~

~~(iv) One (1) located in Gosnell; and~~

~~(v) One (1) located in Dell.~~

~~(B) All five (5) departments are to be served by one (1) judge.~~

~~(b) The judge of any district court located in Mississippi County shall be elected by the electors of the judicial district in which the court is located.~~

~~(c) In Mississippi County, the jurisdiction of the district court shall be limited to the judicial district in which the court is located.~~

~~16-17-930. Greene County District Court.~~

~~(a)(1) Greene County shall have one (1) district court with two (2) departments:~~

~~(A) One (1) located in Paragould; and~~

~~(B) One (1) located in Marmaduke.~~

~~(2) Both departments are to be served by one (1) judge.~~

~~(b) The Greene County District Court Judge shall be elected countywide.~~

~~(c) The Greene County District Court shall have countywide jurisdiction.~~

~~16-17-931. Carroll County District Courts.~~

~~(a) Carroll County, having two (2) judicial districts, shall have the following district courts and judges:~~

~~(1) The Western District shall have:~~

~~(A) One (1) district court located in Eureka Springs; and~~

~~(B) One (1) district judge; and~~

~~(2) The Eastern District shall have:~~

~~(A) One (1) district court with two (2) departments:~~

~~(i) One (1) located in Berryville; and~~

~~(ii) One (1) located in Green Forest.~~

~~(B) Both departments are to be served by one (1) district judge.~~

~~(b) The judge of any district court located in Carroll County shall be elected by the electors of the judicial district in which the court is located.~~

~~(c) In Carroll County, the jurisdiction of the district court shall be limited to the judicial district in which the court is located.~~

~~16-17-932. Pope County District Court.~~

~~(a)(1) Pope County shall have one (1) district court with five (5) departments:~~

~~(A) One (1) located in Russellville;~~

~~(B) One (1) located in Atkins;~~

~~(C) One (1) located in Dover;~~

~~(D) One (1) located in London; and~~

~~(E) One (1) located in Pottsville.~~

~~(2) All five (5) departments are to be served by one (1) judge.~~

~~(b) The Pope County District Court Judge shall be elected countywide.~~

~~(c) The Pope County District Court shall have countywide jurisdiction.~~

16-17-933. Franklin County District Courts.

(a) Franklin County, having two (2) judicial districts, shall have the following district courts and judges:

(1) The Charleston District shall have:

(A) One (1) district court located in Charleston; and

(B) One (1) district judge; and

(2) The Ozark District shall have:

(A) One (1) district court with two (2) departments:

(i) One (1) located in Ozark; and

(ii) One (1) located in Altus.

(B) Both departments are to be served by one (1) district judge.

(b) The judge of any district court located in Franklin County shall be elected by the electors of the judicial district in which the court is located.

(c) In Franklin County, the jurisdiction of the district court shall be limited to the judicial district in which the court is located.

~~16-17-934. Baxter County District Court.~~

~~(a)(1) Baxter County shall have one (1) district court with six (6) departments:~~

~~(A) One (1) located in Mountain Home;~~

~~(B) One (1) located in Briareliff;~~

~~(C) One (1) located in Lakeview;~~

~~(D) One (1) located in Cotter;~~

~~(E) One (1) located in Cassville; and~~

~~(F) One (1) located in Norfolk.~~

~~(2) All six (6) departments are to be served by one (1) judge.~~

~~(b) The Baxter County District Court Judge shall be elected countywide.~~

~~(c) The Baxter County District Court shall have countywide jurisdiction.~~

16-17-935. Logan County District Courts.

(a) Logan County, having two (2) judicial districts, shall have the following district courts and judges:

(1) The Northern District shall have:

(A) One (1) district court located in Paris; and

(B) One (1) district judge; and

(2) The Southern District shall have:

(A) One (1) district court with two (2) departments:

(i) One (1) located in Booneville; and

(ii) One (1) located in Magazine.

(B) Both departments are to be served by one (1) district judge.

(b) The judge of any district court located in Logan County, shall be elected by the electors of the judicial district in which the court is located.

(c) In Logan County, the jurisdiction of the district court shall be limited to the judicial district in which the court is located.

~~16-17-936. Gleburne County District Court.~~

~~(a)(1) Gleburne County shall have one (1) district court with four (4) departments:~~

~~(A) One (1) located in Heber Springs;~~

~~(B) One (1) located in Greers Ferry;~~

~~(C) One (1) located in Concord; and~~

~~(D) One (1) located in Quitman.~~

~~(2) All four (4) departments are to be served by one (1) judge.~~

~~(b) The Gleburne County District Court Judge shall be elected countywide.~~

~~(c) The Gleburne County District Court shall have countywide jurisdiction.~~

~~(d) Court costs in the Gleburne County District Court department described under subdivision (a)(1)(D) of this section shall be allocated as described under § 16-10-604(d)(1)(A).~~

~~16-17-937. Boone County District Court.~~

~~(a)(1) Boone County shall have one (1) district court with two (2) departments:~~

~~(A) One (1) located in Harrison; and~~

~~(B) One (1) located in Alpena.~~

~~(2) Both departments are to be served by one (1) judge.~~

~~(b) The Boone County District Court Judge shall be elected countywide.~~

~~(c) The Boone County District Court shall have countywide jurisdiction.~~

16-17-938. Columbia County District Court.

(a)(1) Columbia County shall have one (1) district court with two (2) departments:

(A) One (1) located in Magnolia; and

(B) One (1) located in Waldo.

(2) Both departments are to be served by one (1) judge.

(b) The Columbia County District Court Judge shall be elected countywide.

(c) The Columbia County District Court shall have countywide jurisdiction.

16-17-939. Conway County District Court.

(a)(1) Conway County shall have one (1) district court with four (4) departments:

(A) One (1) located in Morrilton;

(B) One (1) located in Menifee;

(C) One (1) located in Oppelo; and

(D) One (1) located in Plumerville.

(2) All four (4) departments are to be served by one (1) judge.

(b) The Conway County District Court Judge shall be elected countywide.

(c) The Conway County District Court shall have countywide jurisdiction.

~~16-17-940. Crawford County District Court.~~

~~(a)(1) Crawford County shall have one (1) district court with five (5) departments:~~

~~(A) One (1) located in Van Buren;~~

~~(B) One (1) located in Mountainburg;~~

~~(C) One (1) located in Alma;~~

~~(D) One (1) located in Mulberry; and~~

~~(E) One (1) located in Dyer.~~

~~(2) All five (5) departments are to be served by one (1) judge.~~

~~(b) The Crawford County District Court Judge shall be elected countywide.~~

~~(c) The Crawford County District Court shall have countywide jurisdiction.~~

16-17-941. Cross County District Court.

(a)(1) Cross County shall have one (1) district court with three (3) departments:

- (A) One (1) located in Wynne;
- (B) One (1) located in Cherry Valley; and
- (C) One (1) located in Parkin.

(2) All three (3) departments are to be served by one (1) judge.

(b) The Cross County District Court Judge shall be elected countywide.

(c) The Cross County District Court shall have countywide jurisdiction.

~~16-17-942. Dallas County District Court.~~

~~(a)(1) Dallas County shall have one (1) district court with two (2) departments:~~

- ~~(A) One (1) located in Fordyce; and~~
- ~~(B) One (1) located in Sparkman.~~

~~(2) Both departments are to be served by one (1) judge.~~

~~(b) The Dallas County District Court Judge shall be elected countywide.~~

~~(c) The Dallas County District Court shall have countywide jurisdiction.~~

~~16-17-943. Faulkner County District Court.~~

~~(a)(1) Faulkner County shall have one (1) district court with six (6) departments:~~

- ~~(A) One (1) located in Conway;~~
- ~~(B) One (1) located in Greenbrier;~~
- ~~(C) One (1) located in Mount Vernon;~~
- ~~(D) One (1) located in Mayflower;~~
- ~~(E) One (1) located in Guy; and~~
- ~~(F) One (1) located in Vilonia.~~

~~(2) All six (6) departments are to be served by one (1) judge.~~

~~(b) The Faulkner County District Court Judge shall be elected countywide.~~

~~(c) The Faulkner County District Court shall have countywide~~

~~jurisdiction.~~

16-17-944. Fulton County District Court.

(a)(1) Fulton County shall have one (1) district court with two (2) departments:

(A) One (1) located in Salem; and

(B) One (1) located in Mammoth Springs.

(2) Both departments are to be served by one (1) judge.

(b) The Fulton County District Court Judge shall be elected countywide.

(c) The Fulton County District Court shall have countywide jurisdiction.

~~16-17-945. Hot Spring County District Court.~~

~~(a)(1) Hot Spring County shall have one (1) district court with four (4) departments:~~

~~(A) One (1) located in Malvern;~~

~~(B) One (1) located in Rockport;~~

~~(C) One (1) located in Friendship; and~~

~~(D) One (1) located in Donaldson.~~

~~(2) All four (4) departments are to be served by one (1) judge.~~

~~(b) The Hot Spring County District Court Judge shall be elected countywide.~~

~~(c) The Hot Spring County District Court shall have countywide jurisdiction.~~

16-17-946. IZARD County District Court.

(a)(1) IZARD County shall have one (1) district court with ~~three (3)~~ two (2) departments:

(A) One (1) located in Melbourne;

~~(B) One (1) located in Calico Rock; and~~

~~(C)~~(B) One (1) located in Horseshoe Bend.

(2) ~~All three (3)~~ Both departments are to be served by one (1) judge.

(b) The IZARD County District Court Judge shall be elected countywide.

(c) The IZARD County District Court shall have countywide

jurisdiction.

16-17-947. Jackson County District Court.

(a)(1) Jackson County shall have one (1) district court with four (4) departments:

- (A) One (1) located in Newport;
- (B) One (1) located in Diaz;
- (C) One (1) located in Swifton; and
- (D) One (1) located in Tuckerman.

(2) All four (4) departments are to be served by one (1) judge.

(b) The Jackson County District Court Judge shall be elected countywide.

(c) The Jackson County District Court shall have countywide jurisdiction.

16-17-948. Johnson County District Court.

(a)(1) Johnson County shall have one (1) district court with three (3) departments:

- (A) One (1) located in Clarksville;
- (B) One (1) located in Lamar; and
- (C) One (1) located in Coal Hill.

(2) All three (3) departments are to be served by one (1) judge.

(b) The Johnson County District Court Judge shall be elected countywide.

(c) The Johnson County District Court shall have countywide jurisdiction.

~~16-17-949. Lafayette County District Court.~~

~~(a)(1) Lafayette County shall have one (1) district court with three (3) departments:~~

- ~~(A) One (1) located in Lewisville;~~
- ~~(B) One (1) located in Bradley; and~~
- ~~(C) One (1) located in Stamps.~~

~~(2) All three (3) departments are to be served by one (1) judge.~~

~~(b) The Lafayette County District Court Judge shall be elected countywide.~~

~~(c) The Lafayette County District Court shall have countywide jurisdiction.~~

~~16-17-950. Lincoln County District Court.~~

~~(a)(1) Lincoln County shall have one (1) district court with three (3) departments:~~

- ~~(A) One (1) located in Star City;~~
- ~~(B) One (1) located in Grady; and~~
- ~~(C) One (1) located in Gould.~~

~~(2) All three (3) departments are to be served by one (1) judge.~~

~~(b) The Lincoln County District Court Judge shall be elected countywide.~~

~~(c) The Lincoln County District Court shall have countywide jurisdiction.~~

16-17-951. Little River County District Court.

(a)(1) Little River County shall have one (1) district court with three (3) departments:

- (A) One (1) located in Ashdown;
- (B) One (1) located in Foreman; and
- (C) One (1) located in Winthrop.

(2) Both departments are to be served by one (1) judge.

(b) The Little River County District Court Judge shall be elected countywide.

(c) The Little River County District Court shall have countywide jurisdiction.

~~16-17-952. Marion County District Court.~~

~~(a)(1) Marion County shall have one (1) district court with four (4) departments:~~

- ~~(A) One (1) located in Yellville;~~
- ~~(B) One (1) located in Bull Shoals;~~
- ~~(C) One (1) located in Flippin; and~~
- ~~(D) One (1) located in Summit.~~

~~(2) All four (4) departments are to be served by one (1) judge.~~

~~(b) The Marion County District Court Judge shall be elected~~

~~countywide.~~

~~(c) The Marion County District Court shall have countywide jurisdiction.~~

16-17-953. Pike County District Court.

(a)(1) Pike County shall have one (1) district court with two (2) departments:

- (A) One (1) located in Murfreesboro; and
- (B) One (1) located in Glenwood.

(2) Both departments are to be served by one (1) judge.

- (b) The Pike County District Court Judge shall be elected countywide.
- (c) The Pike County District Court shall have countywide jurisdiction.

~~16-17-954. St. Francis County District Court.~~

~~(a)(1) St. Francis County shall have one (1) district court with five (5) departments:~~

- ~~(A) One (1) located in Forrest City;~~
- ~~(B) One (1) located in Hughes;~~
- ~~(C) One (1) located in Madison;~~
- ~~(D) One (1) located in Palestine; and~~
- ~~(E) One (1) located in Widener.~~

~~(2) All five (5) departments are to be served by one (1) judge.~~

~~(b) The St. Francis County District Court Judge shall be elected countywide.~~

~~(c) The St. Francis County District Court shall have countywide jurisdiction.~~

~~16-17-955. Van Buren County District Court.~~

~~(a)(1) Van Buren County shall have one (1) district court with two (2) departments:~~

- ~~(A) One (1) located in Clinton; and~~
- ~~(B) One (1) located in Damascus.~~

~~(2) Both departments are to be served by one (1) judge.~~

~~(b) The Van Buren County District Court Judge shall be elected countywide.~~

~~(c) The Van Buren County District Court shall have countywide~~

~~jurisdiction.~~

~~16-17-956. Perry County District Court.~~

~~(a)(1) Perry County shall have one (1) district court with two (2) departments located in Perryville.~~

~~(2) Both departments are to be served by one (1) judge.~~

~~(b) The Perry County District Court Judge shall be elected countywide.~~

~~(c) The Perry County District Court shall have countywide jurisdiction.~~

~~16-17-957. Clark County District Court.~~

~~(a)(1) Clark County shall have one (1) district court with four (4) departments:~~

~~(A) One (1) located in Arkadelphia;~~

~~(B) One (1) located in Amity;~~

~~(C) One (1) located in Caddo Valley; and~~

~~(D) One (1) located in Gurdon.~~

~~(2) Both departments are to be served by one (1) judge.~~

~~(b) The Clark County District Court Judge shall be elected countywide.~~

~~(c) The Clark County District Court shall have countywide jurisdiction.~~

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 16-17-1105 is repealed.

~~16-17-1105. Consolidation of city courts with district courts.~~

~~(a) The city courts located in the following cities or towns shall be consolidated with district courts:~~

~~(1) Alexander;~~

~~(2) Alpena;~~

~~(3) Atkins;~~

~~(4) Barling;~~

~~(5) Bauxite;~~

~~(6) Bethel Heights;~~

~~(7) Briarecliff;~~

~~(8) Cave Springs;~~

~~(9) Centerton;~~

~~(10) Central City;~~

- ~~(11) — Concord;~~
- ~~(12) — Cotter;~~
- ~~(13) — Dell;~~
- ~~(14) — Dover;~~
- ~~(15) — Cassville;~~
- ~~(16) — Cosnell;~~
- ~~(17) — Gravette;~~
- ~~(18) — Greers Ferry;~~
- ~~(19) — Haskell;~~
- ~~(20) — Hughes;~~
- ~~(21) — Lakeview;~~
- ~~(22) — Leachville;~~
- ~~(23) — Little Flock;~~
- ~~(24) — London;~~
- ~~(25) — Lowell;~~
- ~~(26) — Madison;~~
- ~~(27) — Manila;~~
- ~~(28) — Marmaduke;~~
- ~~(29) — Norfolk;~~
- ~~(30) — Palestine;~~
- ~~(31) — Pea Ridge;~~
- ~~(32) — Pottsville;~~
- ~~(33) — Quitman;~~
- ~~(34) — Salesville;~~
- ~~(35) — Shannon Hills;~~
- ~~(36) — Sulphur Springs;~~
- ~~(37) — Weiner; and~~
- ~~(38) — Widner.~~

~~(b) — Each city court under subsection (a) of this section:~~

- ~~(1) — Is consolidated with the pilot state district court having jurisdiction over the geographical area of the abolished city court;~~
- ~~(2) — Shall continue to exist as a department of that pilot state district court unless abolished by town or city ordinance; and~~
- ~~(3) — Is redesignated as the “_____ District Court, _____ Department”.~~

~~(c) — Under the Arkansas District Courts and City Courts Accounting Law,~~

~~§ 16-10-201 et seq., each department of a pilot state district court shall maintain a docket and set court dates for hearing that docket in the town or city unless the district court and the town or city in which the department is located agree otherwise.~~

~~(d)(1) A town or city that operated a city court prior to January 1, 2008, and became a department of a pilot state district court under this subchapter may abolish that department by ordinance.~~

~~(2) The clerk of the town or city shall send a copy of the ordinance issued under subdivision (d)(1) of this section to the Administrative Office of the Courts.~~

~~(3) After a department has been abolished under subdivision (d)(1) of this section:~~

~~(A) The nearest district court in the county shall exercise jurisdiction over the geographical area of that abolished department;~~

~~(B) The abolished city court shall transfer all its papers and records to the court described in subdivision (d)(3)(A) of this section; and~~

~~(C)(i) All of the following existing on January 1, 2008, shall continue unaffected unless otherwise affected by this subchapter:~~

~~(a) Actions;~~

~~(b) Appeals;~~

~~(c) Causes of action;~~

~~(d) Civil proceedings;~~

~~(e) Criminal proceedings;~~

~~(f) Decrees;~~

~~(g) Judgments;~~

~~(h) Liabilities;~~

~~(i) Orders;~~

~~(j) Prosecutions;~~

~~(k) Regulations;~~

~~(l) Sentences;~~

~~(m) Suits; and~~

~~(n) Writs.~~

~~(ii) A suit or prosecution of any kind or nature shall not abate as a result of this subchapter.~~

~~(4) A town or city may not reinstate a department of district court that has been abolished under subdivision (d)(1) of this section.~~

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 16-17-1110 is amended to read as follows:
16-17-1110. Organization and designation.

The following ~~pilot district courts which are in existence as of January 1, 2011, and being served by twenty five (25) pilot district court judges shall continue operation as~~ state district courts ~~and shall hereinafter~~ be organized and designated in ~~the following~~ numbered judicial districts as follows:

(1)(A) The First District is composed of Benton County.

(B) The First District has ~~thirteen (13)~~ fourteen (14) departments as follows:

- (i) One (1) located in Rogers;
- (ii) One (1) located in Bentonville;
- (iii) One (1) located in Siloam Springs;
- (iv) One (1) located in Gentry;
- (v) One (1) located in Decatur;
- (vi) One (1) located in Bethel Heights;
- (vii) One (1) located in Cave Springs;
- (viii) One (1) located in Centerton;
- (ix) One (1) located in Gravette;
- (x) One (1) located in Little Flock;
- (xi) One (1) located in Lowell;
- (xii) One (1) located in Pea Ridge; ~~and~~
- (xiii) One (1) located in Sulphur Springs; and
- (xiv) One (1) located in Bella Vista.

(C)(i) The district is served by four (4) state district court judges.

(ii) ~~The One (1) judgeship which is presently held by Brad Karren shall hereinafter~~ be designated as Division 1.

(iii) ~~The One (1) judgeship which is presently held by John Skaggs shall hereinafter~~ be designated as Division 2.

(iv) ~~The One (1) judgeship which is presently held by Stephen Thomas shall hereinafter~~ be designated as Division 3.

(v) ~~The One (1) judgeship which is presently held by~~

~~Jeff Conner~~ shall hereinafter be designated as Division 4.

(D) The assignment of judges to departments under subdivision (1)(B) of this section is determined by the mutual agreement of the state district court judges.

(E) For the purpose of venue, the district court boundaries in Benton County are as follows:

(i) Division 1 – Rogers District Court:

(a) All of District 94, District 95, and District 96 of the House of Representatives as drawn by The Board of Apportionment in 2002;

(b) That part of District 98 of the House of Representatives as drawn by The Board of Apportionment in 2002 that is in Benton County Quorum Court District 1 as established by the Benton County Election Commission;

(c) That part of Benton County Quorum Court District 6 as established by the Benton County Election Commission that is in District 96 and District 98 of the House of Representatives as drawn by The Board of Apportionment in 2002; and

(d) All of precinct 43, precinct 44, and precinct 49 as they existed on January 1, 2011;

(ii) Division 2 – Bentonville District Court:

(a) All of District 7, District 8, District 9, and District 10 except for the now-existing precinct 22, of the Benton County Quorum Court as established by the Benton County Election Commission;

(b) All of District 99 of the House of Representatives as drawn by The Board of Apportionment in 2002 except for the now-existing precinct 43, precinct 44, and precinct 49; and

(c) All of precinct 45 as it existed on January 1, 2011;

(iii) Division 3 – Siloam Springs District Court:

(a) All of District 97 of the House of Representatives as drawn by The Board of Apportionment in 2002; and

(b) All of precinct 7, precinct 14, precinct 16, and precinct 17 as they existed on January 1, 2011; and

(iv) Division 4 – Benton County West District Court:

(a) All of Benton County Quorum Court District

11 as established by the Benton County Election Commission; and

(b) All of precinct 6, precinct 15, precinct 18, precinct 19, and precinct 22 as they existed on January 1, 2011.

(F) The First District judges are elected districtwide.

(G) The First District court has districtwide jurisdiction;

(2)(A) The Second District shall be composed of Washington County and the city limits of Springdale as of January 1, 2011, including that portion of the City of Springdale which extends into Benton County.

(B) The Second District shall have ten (10) departments as follows:

(i) One (1) located in Springdale;

(ii) One (1) located in Elm Springs;

(iii) One (1) located in Johnson;

(iv) One (1) located in Fayetteville;

(v) One (1) located in Elkins;

(vi) One (1) located in West Fork;

(vii) One (1) located in Greenland;

(viii) One (1) located in Prairie Grove;

(ix) One (1) located in Lincoln; and

(x) One (1) located in Farmington.

(C) The Second District shall be served by four (4) state district court judges:

(i) One (1) judgeship shall be designated as Division 1;

(ii) One (1) judgeship shall be designated as Division 2;

(iii) One (1) judgeship shall be designated as Division 3; and

(iv) One (1) judgeship shall be designated as Division 4.

(D) The presiding judge of the departments under subdivision (2)(C) of this section shall be determined by the mutual agreement of the state district court judges of the Second District.

(E) The Second District judges shall be elected districtwide.

(F) The Second District court shall have districtwide jurisdiction;

(3)(A) The Third District shall be composed of Carroll County and Madison County.

(B) The Third District shall have four (4) departments as follows:

(i) One (1) located in Berryville;

(ii) One (1) located in Eureka Springs;

(iii) One (1) located in Huntsville; and

(iv) One (1) located in Green Forest.

(C) The Third District shall be served by one (1) state district court judge.

(D) The Third District judge shall be elected districtwide.

(E) The Third District court shall have districtwide jurisdiction;

~~(2)(A)(4)(A) The Fourth District is composed of Boone County.~~

~~(B) Beginning January 1, 2017, the The Fourth District shall be composed of the counties of Boone County, the city of Alpena in Carroll County, Newton County, and Searcy County.~~

~~(C)(B) The Fourth District has two (2) four (4) departments as follows:~~

~~(i) One (1) located in Alpena; and~~

~~(ii) One (1) located in Harrison;~~

~~(iii) One (1) located in Marshall; and~~

~~(iv) One (1) located in Jasper.~~

~~(D) Beginning January 1, 2017, the Fourth District shall have two (2) additional departments as follows:~~

~~(i) One (1) located in Marshall; and~~

~~(ii) One (1) located in Jasper.~~

~~(E)(C) The Fourth District is served by one (1) state district court judge.~~

~~(F)(D) The Fourth District judge is elected districtwide.~~

~~(G)(E) The Fourth District court has districtwide jurisdiction;~~

(5)(A) The Fifth District shall be composed of Crawford County.

(B) The Fifth District shall have five (5) departments as follows:

- (i) One (1) located in Van Buren;
- (ii) One (1) located in Mountainburg;
- (iii) One (1) located in Alma;
- (iv) One (1) located in Mulberry; and
- (v) One (1) located in Dyer.

(C) The Fifth District shall be served by one (1) state district court judge.

(D) The Fifth District judge shall be elected districtwide.

(E) The Fifth District court shall have districtwide jurisdiction;

~~(3)-(A)~~(6)(A) The Sixth District is composed of the Greenwood District of Sebastian County and the Fort Smith District of Sebastian County.

(B) The Greenwood District of Sebastian County has one (1) district court with one (1) judge and three (3) departments as follows:

- (i) One (1) located in Greenwood;
- (ii) One (1) located in Barling; and
- (iii) One (1) located in Central City.

(C)(i) The Fort Smith District of Sebastian County has one (1) district court with three (3) departments and one (1) judge for each department.

(ii) ~~The One (1) judgeship which is presently held by David Saxon shall hereinafter~~ be designated Division 1.

(iii) ~~The One (1) judgeship which is presently held by Ben Beland shall hereinafter~~ be designated Division 2.

(iv) ~~The One (1) judgeship which is presently held by Claire Borengasser shall hereinafter~~ be designated Division 3.

(D) The assignment of judges to departments under subdivision (6)(C) of this section is determined by the mutual agreement of the state district court judges of the Sixth District.

~~(D)~~(E) The judge of any district court in Sebastian County shall be elected by the electors of the judicial district in which the court is located.

~~(E)~~(F) The jurisdiction of the district courts in

Sebastian County shall be limited to the judicial district in which the court is located;

~~(4)(A)(7)(A)~~ The Eighth District is composed of Pope County.

(B) The Eighth District has five (5) departments as follows:

- (i) One (1) located in Russellville;
- (ii) One (1) located in Atkins;
- (iii) One (1) located in Dover;
- (iv) One (1) located in London; and
- (v) One (1) located in Pottsville.

(C) The Eighth District is served by one (1) state district court judge.

(D) The Eighth District judge is elected districtwide.

(E) The Eighth District court has districtwide jurisdiction;

(8)(A) The Ninth District shall be composed of Faulkner County and Van Buren County.

(B) The Ninth District shall have seven (7) departments as follows:

- (i) One (1) located in Conway;
- (ii) One (1) located in Greenbrier;
- (iii) One (1) located in Guy;
- (iv) One (1) located in Mayflower;
- (v) One (1) located in Vilonia;
- (vi) One (1) located in Clinton; and
- (vii) One (1) located in Damascus.

(C) The Ninth District shall be served by two (2) state district court judges:

(i) One (1) judgeship shall be designated as Division 1; and

(ii) One (1) judgeship shall be designated as Division 2.

(D) The assignment of judges to departments under subdivision (8)(C) of this section shall be determined by the mutual agreement of the state district court judges of the Ninth District.

(E) The Ninth District judges shall be elected

districtwide.

(F) The Ninth District court shall have districtwide jurisdiction;

~~(5)(A)(9)(A)~~ (A) The Tenth District is composed of Baxter County and Marion County.

~~(B) Beginning January 1, 2017, the Tenth District shall be composed of the counties of Baxter and Marion.~~

~~(C)(B)~~ (B) The Tenth District has ~~seven (7)~~ ten (10) departments as follows:

- (i) One (1) located in Briarcliff;
- (ii) One (1) located in Cotter;
- (iii) One (1) located in Gassville;
- (iv) One (1) located in Lakeview;
- (v) One (1) located in Mountain Home;
- (vi) One (1) located in Norfolk; ~~and~~
- (vii) One (1) located in Salesville
- (viii) One (1) located in Yellville;
- (ix) One (1) located in Bull Shoals; and
- (x) One (1) located in Flippin.

~~(D) Beginning January 1, 2017, the Tenth District shall have four (4) additional departments as follows:~~

- ~~(i) One (1) located in Yellville;~~
- ~~(ii) One (1) located in Bull Shoals;~~
- ~~(iii) One (1) located in Flippin; and~~
- ~~(iv) One (1) located in Summit.~~

~~(E)(C)~~ (C) The Tenth District is served by one (1) state district court judge.

~~(F)(D)~~ (D) The Tenth District judge is elected districtwide.

~~(G)(E)~~ (E) The Tenth District court has districtwide jurisdiction;

~~(6)(A)(10)(A)~~ (A) The Thirteenth District is composed of Cleburne County.

(B) The Thirteenth District has four (4) departments as follows:

- (i) One (1) located in Heber Springs;
- (ii) One (1) located in Greers Ferry;

(iii) One (1) located in Concord; and

(iv) One (1) located in Quitman.

(C) The Thirteenth District is served by one (1) state district court judge.

(D) The Thirteenth District judge is elected districtwide.

(E) The Thirteenth District court has districtwide jurisdiction.

(F) Court costs in the Cleburne County District Court – Quitman Department shall be allocated as described in § 16-10-604(d)(1)(A);

~~(7)(A)(11)(A)~~ The Fourteenth District is composed of Independence County.

(B) The Fourteenth District has one (1) department located in Batesville.

(C) The Fourteenth District is served by one (1) state district court judge.

(D) The Fourteenth District judge is elected districtwide.

(E) The Fourteenth District court has districtwide jurisdiction;

~~(8)(A)(12)(A)~~ The Seventeenth District is composed of Greene County.

(B) The Seventeenth District has two (2) departments as follows:

(i) One (1) located in Paragould; and

(ii) One (1) located in Marmaduke.

(C) The Seventeenth District is served by one (1) state district court judge.

(D) The Seventeenth District judge is elected districtwide.

(E) The Seventeenth District court has districtwide jurisdiction;

~~(9)(A) Beginning January 1, 2017, the~~

(13)(A) The Eighteenth District shall be composed of the Chickasawba District and the Osceola District in Mississippi County.

(B) The Eighteenth District has five (5) departments in the Chickasawba District as follows:

(i) One (1) located in Blytheville;

- (ii) One (1) located in Manila;
- (iii) One (1) located in Leachville;
- (iv) One (1) located in Gosnell; and
- (v) One (1) located in Dell.

(C) The Eighteenth District has ~~two (2) departments~~ one (1) department located in Osceola in the Osceola District ~~as follows:~~

- ~~(i) One (1) located in Osceola; and~~
- ~~(ii) One (1) located in Joiner.~~

(D) The Eighteenth District is served by two (2) state district court judges, with one (1) elected from the Chickasawba District and one (1) elected from the Osceola District.

(E) Each district court within the Eighteenth District only has jurisdiction within each of the district court's respective ~~district~~ districts;

(14)(A) The Nineteenth District shall be composed of Craighead County.

(B) The Nineteenth District shall have two (2) departments as follows:

- (i) One (1) department located in Jonesboro; and
- (ii) One (1) department located in Lake City.

(C) The Nineteenth District shall be served by two (2) state district court judges:

(i) One (1) judgeship shall be designated as Division 1; and

(ii) One (1) judgeship shall be designated as Division 2.

(D) The assignment of judges to departments under subdivision (14)(C) of this section shall be determined by the mutual agreement of the state district court judges of the Nineteenth District.

(E) The Nineteenth District judges shall be elected districtwide.

(F) The Nineteenth District court shall have districtwide jurisdiction;

~~(10)(A)~~(15)(A) The Twentieth District is composed of Poinsett County.

(B) The Twentieth District has ~~six (6)~~ five (5)

departments as follows:

- (i) One (1) located in Marked Tree;
- (ii) One (1) located in Trumann;
- (iii) One (1) located in Tyronza;
- (iv) One (1) located in Lepanto; and
- (v) One (1) located in Harrisburg; and.
- ~~(vi) One (1) located in Weiner.~~

(C) The Twentieth District is served by one (1) state district court judge.

(D) The Twentieth District judge is elected districtwide.

(E) The Twentieth District court has districtwide jurisdiction;

(16)(A) The Twenty-First District shall be composed of Crittenden County.

(B) The Twenty-First District shall have seven (7) departments as follows:

- (i) One (1) located in Earle;
- (ii) One (1) located in Gilmore;
- (iii) One (1) located in Jennette;
- (iv) One (1) located in Jericho;
- (v) One (1) located in Marion;
- (vi) One (1) located in Turrell; and
- (vii) One (1) located in West Memphis.

(C) The Twenty-First District shall be served by one (1) state district court judge.

(D) The Twenty-First District judge shall be elected districtwide.

(E) The Twenty-First District court shall have districtwide jurisdiction;

(17)(A) The Twenty-Second District shall be composed of Lee County and Phillips County.

(B) The Twenty-Second District shall have five (5) departments as follows:

- (i) One (1) located in Marianna;
- (ii) One (1) located in Helena-West Helena;
- (iii) One (1) located in Lake View;

(iv) One (1) located in Elaine; and

(v) One (1) located in Marvell.

(C) The Twenty-Second District shall be served by one (1) state district court judge.

(D) The Twenty-Second District judge shall be elected districtwide.

(E) The Twenty-Second District court shall have districtwide jurisdiction;

(18)(A) The Twenty-Third District shall be composed of White County and Prairie County.

(B) The Twenty-Third District shall have thirteen (13) departments as follows:

(i) One (1) located in Beebe;

(ii) One (1) located in Searcy;

(iii) One (1) located in Bald Knob;

(iv) One (1) located in Bradford;

(v) One (1) located in Judsonia;

(vi) One (1) located in McRae;

(vii) One (1) located in Kensett;

(viii) One (1) located in Pangburn;

(ix) One (1) located in Rose Bud;

(x) One (1) located in Des Arc;

(xi) One (1) located in Hazen;

(xii) One (1) located in Biscoe; and

(xiii) One (1) located in De Valls Bluff.

(C) The Twenty-Third District shall be served by two (2) state district court judges:

(i) One (1) judgeship shall be designated as Division 1; and

(ii) One (1) judgeship shall be designated as Division 2.

(D) The assignment of judges to departments under subdivision (18)(C) of this section shall be determined by the mutual agreement of the state district court judges of the Twenty-Third District.

(F) The Twenty-Third District judges shall be elected districtwide.

(G) The Twenty-Third District court shall have districtwide jurisdiction;

~~(11)(A)~~(19)(A) The Twenty-Fifth District is composed of St. Francis County.

(B) The Twenty-Fifth District has three (3) departments as follows:

- (i) One (1) located in Forrest City;
- (ii) One (1) located in Madison; and
- (iii) One (1) located in Palestine.

(C) The Twenty-Fifth District is served by one (1) state district court judge.

(D) The Twenty-Fifth District judge is elected districtwide.

(E) The Twenty-Fifth District court has districtwide jurisdiction;

(20)(A) The Twenty-Sixth District shall be composed of Ashley County.

(B) The Twenty-Sixth District shall have two (2) departments as follows:

- (i) One (1) located in Crossett; and
- (ii) One (1) located in Hamburg.

(C) The Twenty-Sixth District shall be served by one (1) state district court judge.

(D) The Twenty-Sixth District judge shall be elected districtwide.

(E) The Twenty-Sixth District court shall have districtwide jurisdiction;

(21)(A) The Twenty-Seventh District shall be composed of Desha County and Chicot County.

(B) The Twenty-Seventh District shall have five (5) departments as follows:

- (i) One (1) located in Dermott;
- (ii) One (1) located in Eudora;
- (iii) One (1) located in Lake Village;
- (iv) One (1) located in Dumas; and
- (v) One (1) located in McGehee.

(C) The Twenty-Seventh District shall be served by one (1) state district court judge.

(D) The Twenty-Seventh District judge shall be elected districtwide.

(E) The Twenty-Seventh District court shall have districtwide jurisdiction;

(22)(A) The Twenty-Eighth District shall be composed of Bradley County and Drew County.

(B) The Twenty-Eighth District shall have two (2) departments as follows:

(i) One (1) located in Monticello; and

(ii) One (1) located in Warren.

(C) The Twenty-Eighth District shall be served by one (1) state district court judge.

(D) The Twenty-Eighth District judge shall be elected districtwide.

(E) The Twenty-Eighth District court shall have districtwide jurisdiction;

(23)(A) The Twenty-Ninth District shall be composed of Jefferson County and Lincoln County.

(B) The Twenty-Ninth District shall have nine (9) departments as follows:

(i) One (1) located in Pine Bluff;

(ii) One (1) located in Altheimer;

(iii) One (1) located in Humphrey;

(iv) One (1) located in White Hall;

(v) One (1) located in Wabbaseka;

(vi) One (1) located in Redfield;

(vii) One (1) located in Star City;

(viii) One (1) located in Grady; and

(ix) One (1) located in Gould.

(C) The Twenty-Ninth District shall be served by three (3) state district court judges:

(i) One (1) judgeship shall be designated as Division 1;

(ii) One (1) judgeship shall be designated as

Division 2; and

(iii) One (1) judgeship shall be designated as

Division 3.

(D) The assignment of judges to departments under subdivision (23)(C) of this section shall be determined by the mutual agreement of the state's district court judges of the Twenty-Ninth District.

(E) The Twenty-Ninth District judge shall be elected districtwide.

(F) The Twenty-Ninth District court shall have districtwide jurisdiction;

~~(12)(A)(24)(A)~~ The Thirty-First District is composed of Pulaski County.

~~(B) The Thirty-First District has ten (10) departments until January 1, 2012, and thereafter shall have eleven (11) departments, as follows:~~

~~(i) One (1) located in Jacksonville, to be known as Jacksonville District Court;~~

~~(ii) Four (4) located in Little Rock, to be known as:~~

~~(a) Little Rock District Court — First Division;~~

~~(b) Little Rock District Court — Second Division;~~

~~(c) Little Rock District Court — Third Division; and~~

~~(d) Pulaski County District Court;~~

~~(iii) One (1) located in Maumelle, to be known as Maumelle District Court;~~

~~(iv) Two (2) located in North Little Rock, to be known as:~~

~~(a) North Little Rock District Court — First Division; and~~

~~(b) North Little Rock District Court — Second Division;~~

~~(v) One (1) located in Sherwood, to be known as Sherwood District Court;~~

~~(vi) One (1) located in Wrightsville, to be known as Wrightsville District Court; and~~

~~(vii) Effective January 1, 2012, subject to the provisions of § 16-17-1202, one (1) located in Cammack Village, to be known as Cammack Village District Court.~~

~~(C) From and after January 1, 2012, until January 1, 2017, subject to the provisions of § 16-17-1202, the Cammack Village District Court and the Wrightsville District Court shall be served by one (1) judge; otherwise, the provisions of subdivisions (12)(B)(i)-(vii) of this section will apply in the Thirty-First District.~~

~~(D) From July 27, 2011 until January 1, 2017, the Thirty-First District is served by four (4) state district judges and six (6) local district judges, as follows:~~

~~(i) The Jacksonville District Court is served by one (1) state district judge who is elected by the qualified electors of the city of Jacksonville and has territorial jurisdiction only within the city limits of Jacksonville;~~

~~(ii) The Little Rock District Court — First Division is served by one (1) local district judge who is elected by the qualified electors of the City of Little Rock and has territorial jurisdiction only within the city limits of Little Rock;~~

~~(iii) The Little Rock District Court — Second Division is served by one (1) local district judge who is elected by the qualified electors of the City of Little Rock and has territorial jurisdiction only within the city limits of Little Rock;~~

~~(iv) The Little Rock District Court — Third Division is served by one (1) local district judge who is elected by the qualified electors of the City of Little Rock and has territorial jurisdiction only within the city limits of Little Rock;~~

~~(v) The Maumelle District Court is served by one (1) local district judge who is elected by the qualified electors of the City of Maumelle and has territorial jurisdiction only within the city limits of Maumelle;~~

~~(vi) The North Little Rock District Court — First Division is served by one (1) state district judge who is elected by the qualified electors of the City of North Little Rock and has territorial~~

~~jurisdiction only within the city limits of North Little Rock;~~

~~(vii) The North Little Rock District Court — Second Division is served by one (1) state district judge who is elected by the qualified electors of the City of North Little Rock and has territorial jurisdiction only within the city limits of North Little Rock;~~

~~(viii) The Pulaski County District Court is served by one (1) state district judge who is elected districtwide and has districtwide territorial jurisdiction;~~

~~(ix) The Sherwood District Court is served by one (1) local district judge who is elected districtwide and has districtwide territorial jurisdiction; and~~

~~(x)(a) The Wrightsville District Court is served by one (1) local district judge who is elected districtwide and has districtwide territorial jurisdiction.~~

~~(b) From and after January 1, 2012, the Wrightsville District Court and the Cammack Village District Court are served by one (1) judge.~~

~~(E) Effective January 1, 2017, the~~

(B) The Thirty-First District shall ~~continue to~~ have eleven (11) departments that shall be served by eight (8) state district judges. All the following judges shall be elected districtwide and shall have ~~district-wide~~ districtwide territorial jurisdiction:

(i) The Jacksonville District Court and the Maumelle District Court shall be served by one (1) judge;

(ii) The Little Rock District Court — First Division shall be served by one (1) judge;

(iii) The Little Rock District Court — Second Division shall be served by one (1) judge;

(iv) The Little Rock District Court — Third Division, the Wrightsville District Court, and the Cammack Village District Court shall be served by one (1) judge;

(v) The North Little Rock District Court — First Division shall be served by one (1) judge;

(vi) The North Little Rock District Court — Second Division shall be served by one (1) judge;

(vii) The Pulaski County District Court shall be

served by one (1) judge; and

(viii) The Sherwood District Court shall be served by one (1) judge.

~~(F)(i)(C)(i)~~ Any judge serving as a local district judge in the Thirty-First District whose base annual salary is paid by a city and whose base annual salary is more than the annual salary paid to a state district judge, upon becoming a state district judge, shall continue to be paid by the city the differential amount between his or her annual salary as of December 31, 2016, and the annual salary established by the state for a state district judge.

(ii) The differential amount as calculated as of December 31, 2016, shall continue as long as the judge continues to serve as a state district judge.

(iii) Upon leaving office of state district court judge, by retirement or otherwise, his or her successor shall be paid only the salary established for a state district judge without regard to the differential amount provided for in this section;

~~(13)(A)(25)(A)~~ The Thirty-Second District is composed of Saline County and the City of Alexander in Pulaski County.

(B) The Thirty-Second District has six (6) departments as follows:

- (i) One (1) located in Benton;
- (ii) One (1) located in Bryant;
- (iii) One (1) located in Alexander;
- (iv) One (1) located in Bauxite;
- (v) One (1) located in Haskell; and
- (vi) One (1) located in Shannon Hills.

(C)(i) The Thirty-Second District is served by two (2) state district court judges.

(ii) ~~The One (1) judgeship which is presently held by Mike Robinson~~ shall hereinafter be designated as Division 1.

(iii) ~~The One (1) judgeship which is presently held by Curtis Rickard~~ shall hereinafter be designated Division 2.

(D) The assignment of judges to departments under subdivision ~~(a)(12)(B)(a)(25)(B)~~ of this section is determined by the mutual agreement of the state district court judges in the Thirty-Second District.

(E) The Thirty-Second District judges are elected districtwide.

(F) The Thirty-Second District court has districtwide jurisdiction;

(26)(A) The Thirty-Third District shall be composed of Grant County and Hot Spring County.

(B) The Thirty-Third District shall have three (3) departments as follows:

(i) One (1) located in Sheridan;

(ii) One (1) located in Malvern; and

(iii) One (1) located in Rockport.

(C) The Thirty-Third District shall be served by one (1) state district court judge.

(D) The Thirty-Third District judge shall be elected districtwide.

(E) The Thirty-Third District court shall have districtwide jurisdiction;

(27)(A) The Thirty-Fourth District shall be composed of Calhoun County, Cleveland County, and Dallas County.

(B) The Thirty-Fourth District shall have four (4) departments as follows:

(i) One (1) located in Hampton;

(ii) One (1) located in Rison;

(iii) One (1) located in Fordyce; and

(iv) One (1) located in Sparkman.

(C) The Thirty-Fourth District shall be served by one (1) state district court judge.

(D) The Thirty-Fourth District judge shall be elected districtwide.

(E) The Thirty-Fourth District court shall have districtwide jurisdiction;

~~(14)(A)~~(28)(A) The Thirty-Fifth District is composed of Union County.

(B) The Thirty-Fifth District has one (1) department located in El Dorado and one (1) state district court judge.

(C) The Thirty-Fifth District judge is elected

districtwide.

(D) The Thirty-Fifth District court has districtwide jurisdiction; ~~and~~

~~(15)(A)(29)(A)~~ (A) The Thirty-Seventh District is composed of Miller County and Lafayette County.

~~(B)~~ Beginning January 1, 2017, the Thirty-Seventh District shall be composed of the counties of Miller and Lafayette.

~~(C)(B)~~ (B) The Thirty-Seventh District ~~shall have two (2) departments located in Texarkana.~~

~~(D)~~ Beginning January 1, 2017, the Thirty-Seventh District shall have three (3) additional departments as follows: has five (5) departments as follows:

- (i) One (1) located in Lewisville;
- (ii) One (1) located in Bradley; ~~and~~
- (iii) One (1) located in Stamps; and
- (iv) Two (2) located in Texarkana.

(E) The Thirty-Seventh District is served by one (1) state district court judge.

(F) The Thirty-Seventh District judge is elected districtwide.

(G) The Thirty-Seventh District court has districtwide jurisdiction; ~~;~~

(30)(A) The Thirty-Eighth District shall be composed of Hempstead County and Nevada County.

(B) The Thirty-Eighth District shall have two (2) departments as follows:

- (i) One (1) located in Hope; and
- (ii) One (1) located in Prescott.

(C) The Thirty-Eighth District shall be served by one (1) state district court judge.

(D) The Thirty-Eighth District judge shall be elected districtwide.

(E) The Thirty-Eighth District court shall have districtwide jurisdiction; and

(31)(A) The Fortieth District shall be composed of Clark County.

(B) The Fortieth District shall have four (4) departments

as follows:

- (i) One (1) located in Arkadelphia;
- (ii) One (1) located in Amity;
- (iii) One (1) located in Caddo Valley; and
- (iv) One (1) located in Gurdon.

(C) The Fortieth District shall be served by one (1) state district court judge.

(D) The Fortieth District judge shall be elected districtwide.

(E) The Fortieth District court shall have districtwide jurisdiction.

SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 16-17-1111 is repealed.

~~16-17-1111. Reorganization of local district courts to state district courts as of January 1, 2013.~~

~~(a)(1) Beginning January 1, 2013, the following cities and counties that are currently served by local district courts under § 16-17-901 et seq. shall be reorganized as state district courts and served by a state district court judge.~~

~~(2) The new state district court judgeships created by this section shall become effective January 1, 2013, and shall be placed on the ballot to be elected in the 2012 nonpartisan judicial election from the newly constructed judicial district.~~

~~(3) The cities and counties which were previously served by local district courts and will be served by state district courts shall comply with the cost-sharing requirements established in § 16-17-1106 effective January 1, 2013.~~

~~(b)(1)(A) The Fifth District shall be composed of Crawford County.~~

~~(B) The Fifth District shall have five (5) departments as follows:~~

- ~~(i) One (1) located in Van Buren;~~
- ~~(ii) One (1) located in Mountainburg;~~
- ~~(iii) One (1) located in Alma;~~
- ~~(iv) One (1) located in Mulberry; and~~
- ~~(v) One (1) located in Dyer.~~

~~(C) The Fifth District shall be served by one (1) state~~

~~district court judge.~~

~~(D) The Fifth District judge shall be elected districtwide.~~

~~(E) The Fifth District court shall have districtwide jurisdiction.~~

~~(2)(A) The Ninth District shall be composed of the counties of Faulkner and Van Buren.~~

~~(B) The Ninth District shall have eight (8) departments as follows:~~

~~(i) One (1) located in Conway;~~

~~(ii) One (1) located in Greenbrier;~~

~~(iii) One (1) located in Guy;~~

~~(iv) One (1) located in Mayflower;~~

~~(v) One (1) located in Mount Vernon;~~

~~(vi) One (1) located in Vilonia;~~

~~(vii) One (1) located in Clinton; and~~

~~(viii) One (1) located in Damascus.~~

~~(C) The Ninth District shall be served by two (2) state district court judges:~~

~~(i) One (1) judgeship first to be elected in 2012 and to become effective January 1, 2013, shall be designated as Division 1; and~~

~~(ii) One (1) judgeship first to be elected in 2012 and to become effective January 1, 2013, shall be designated as Division 2.~~

~~(D) The assignment of judges to departments under subdivision (b)(2)(B) of this section shall be determined by the mutual agreement of the state district court judges.~~

~~(E) The Ninth District judges shall be elected districtwide.~~

~~(F) The Ninth District court shall have districtwide jurisdiction.~~

~~(3)(A) The Nineteenth District shall be composed of Craighead County.~~

~~(B) The Nineteenth District shall have two (2) departments as follows:~~

~~(i) One (1) department located in Jonesboro; and~~

~~(ii) One (1) department located in Lake City.~~

~~(C) The Nineteenth District shall be served by two (2) state district court judges:~~

~~(i) One (1) judgeship first to be elected in 2012 and to become effective January 1, 2013, shall be designated as Division 1; and~~

~~(ii) One (1) judgeship first to be elected in 2012 and to become effective January 1, 2013, shall be designated as Division 2.~~

~~(D) The Nineteenth District judges shall be elected districtwide.~~

~~(E) The Nineteenth District court shall have districtwide jurisdiction.~~

~~(4)(A) The Twenty-First District shall be composed of Crittenden County.~~

~~(B) The Twenty-First District shall have eight (8) departments as follows:~~

~~(i) One (1) located in Earle;~~

~~(ii) One (1) located in Gilmore;~~

~~(iii) One (1) located in Jennette;~~

~~(iv) One (1) located in Jericho;~~

~~(v) One (1) located in Marion;~~

~~(vi) One (1) located in Sunset;~~

~~(vii) One (1) located in Turrell; and~~

~~(viii) One (1) located in West Memphis.~~

~~(C) The Twenty-First District shall be served by one (1) state district court judge.~~

~~(D) The Twenty-First District judge shall be elected districtwide.~~

~~(E) The Twenty-First District court shall have districtwide jurisdiction.~~

~~(5)(A) The Twenty-Third District shall be composed of White County.~~

~~(B) Beginning January 1, 2017, the Twenty-Third District shall be composed of the counties of White and Prairie.~~

~~(C) The Twenty-Third District shall have nine (9) departments as follows:~~

- ~~(i) One (1) located in Beebe;~~
- ~~(ii) One (1) located in Searcy;~~
- ~~(iii) One (1) located in Bald Knob;~~
- ~~(iv) One (1) located in Bradford;~~
- ~~(v) One (1) located in Judsonia;~~
- ~~(vi) One (1) located in McRae;~~
- ~~(vii) One (1) located in Kensett;~~
- ~~(viii) One (1) located in Pangburn; and~~
- ~~(ix) One (1) located in Rose Bud.~~

~~(D) Beginning January 1, 2017, the Twenty-Third District shall have four (4) additional departments as follows:~~

- ~~(i) One (1) located in Des Arc;~~
- ~~(ii) One (1) located in Hazen;~~
- ~~(iii) One (1) located in Biscoe; and~~
- ~~(iv) One (1) located in De Valls Bluff.~~

~~(E) The Twenty-Third District shall be served by two (2) state district court judges.~~

~~(F) The Twenty-Third District judges shall be elected districtwide.~~

~~(G) The Twenty-Third District court shall have districtwide jurisdiction.~~

~~(6)(A) The Twenty-Ninth District shall be composed of Jefferson County.~~

~~(B) Beginning January 1, 2017, the Twenty-Ninth District shall be composed of the counties of Jefferson and Lincoln.~~

~~(C) The Twenty-Ninth District shall have six (6) departments as follows:~~

- ~~(i) One (1) located in Pine Bluff;~~
- ~~(ii) One (1) located in Altheimer;~~
- ~~(iii) One (1) located in Humphrey;~~
- ~~(iv) One (1) located in White Hall;~~
- ~~(v) One (1) located in Wabbaseka; and~~
- ~~(vi) One (1) located in Redfield.~~

~~(D) Beginning January 1, 2017, the Twenty-Ninth District shall have three (3) additional departments as follows:~~

- ~~(i) One (1) located in Star City;~~

~~(ii) One (1) located in Grady; and~~

~~(iii) One (1) located in Gould.~~

~~(E) The Twenty Ninth District shall be served by two (2) state district court judges:~~

~~(i) One (1) judgeship first to be elected in 2012 and to become effective January 1, 2013, shall be designated as Division 1; and~~

~~(ii) One (1) judgeship first to be elected in 2012 and to become effective January 1, 2013, shall be designated as Division 2.~~

~~(F)(i) Beginning January 1, 2017, the Twenty Ninth District shall be served by three (3) state district court judges.~~

~~(ii) The judgeship first to be elected in 2016 and to become effective January 1, 2017, shall be designated as Division 3.~~

~~(G) The assignment of judges to departments under subdivisions (b)(5)(C) and (D) of this section shall be determined by the mutual agreement of the state's district court judges.~~

~~(H) The Twenty Ninth District judge shall be elected districtwide.~~

~~(I) The Twenty Ninth District court shall have districtwide jurisdiction.~~

~~(7)(A) The Thirty Fourth District shall be composed of Calhoun, Cleveland, and Dallas counties.~~

~~(B) The Thirty Fourth District shall have four (4) departments as follows:~~

~~(i) One (1) located in Hampton;~~

~~(ii) One (1) located in Rison;~~

~~(iii) One (1) located in Fordyce; and~~

~~(iv) One (1) located in Sparkman.~~

~~(C) The Thirty Fourth District shall be served by one (1) state district court judge.~~

~~(D) The Thirty Fourth District judge shall be elected districtwide.~~

~~(E) The Thirty Fourth District court shall have districtwide jurisdiction.~~

~~(8)(A) The Thirty Eighth District shall be composed of the counties of Hempstead and Nevada.~~

~~(B) The Thirty Eighth District shall have two (2) departments as follows:~~

~~(i) One (1) located in Hope; and~~

~~(ii) One (1) located in Prescott.~~

~~(C) The Thirty Eighth District shall be served by one (1) state district court judge.~~

~~(D) The Thirty Eighth District judge shall be elected districtwide.~~

~~(E) The Thirty Eighth District court shall have districtwide jurisdiction.~~

~~(9)(A) The Fortieth District shall be composed of Clark County.~~

~~(B) The Fortieth District shall have four (4) departments as follows:~~

~~(i) One (1) located in Arkadelphia;~~

~~(ii) One (1) located in Amity;~~

~~(iii) One (1) located in Caddo Valley; and~~

~~(iv) One (1) located in Gurdon.~~

~~(C) The Fortieth District shall be served by one (1) state district court judge.~~

~~(D) The Fortieth District judge shall be elected districtwide.~~

~~(E) The Fortieth District court shall have districtwide jurisdiction.~~

SECTION 5. Arkansas Code § 16-17-1112, as amended by Acts 2017, No. 172, is repealed.

~~16-17-1112. Reorganization of local district courts to state district courts as of January 1, 2017.~~

~~(a)(1) Beginning January 1, 2017, the following cities and counties that are currently served by local district courts pursuant to § 16-17-901 et seq. shall be reorganized as state district courts and served by a state district court judge.~~

~~(2) The new state district court judgeships created by this section shall become effective January 1, 2017, and shall be placed on the ballot to be elected in the 2016 nonpartisan judicial election from the newly constructed judicial district.~~

~~(3) The cities and counties which were previously served by local district courts and will be served by state district courts shall comply with the cost-sharing requirements established in § 16-17-1106, effective January 1, 2017.~~

~~(b)(1)(A) The Second District shall be composed of Washington County and the city limits of Springdale as of January 1, 2011, including that portion of the City of Springdale which extends into Benton County.~~

~~(B) The Second District shall have ten (10) departments as follows:~~

~~(i) One (1) located in Springdale;~~

~~(ii) One (1) located in Elm Springs;~~

~~(iii) One (1) located in Johnson;~~

~~(iv) One (1) located in Fayetteville;~~

~~(v) One (1) located in Elkins;~~

~~(vi) One (1) located in West Fork;~~

~~(vii) One (1) located in Greenland;~~

~~(viii) One (1) located in Prairie Grove;~~

~~(ix) One (1) located in Lincoln; and~~

~~(x) One (1) located in Farmington.~~

~~(C) The Second District shall be served by four (4) state district court judges;~~

~~(i) One (1) judgeship first to be elected in 2016 and to become effective January 1, 2017, shall be designated as Division 1;~~

~~(ii) One (1) judgeship first to be elected in 2016 and to become effective January 1, 2017, shall be designated as Division 2;~~

~~(iii) One (1) judgeship first to be elected in 2016 and to become effective January 1, 2017, shall be designated as Division 3; and~~

~~(iv) One (1) judgeship first to be elected in 2016 and to become effective January 1, 2017, shall be designated as Division 4.~~

~~(D) The presiding judge of the departments under subdivision (b)(3)(B) of this section shall be determined by the mutual agreement of the state district court judges.~~

~~(E) The Second District judges shall be elected districtwide.~~

~~(F) The Second District court shall have districtwide~~

~~jurisdiction.~~

~~(2)(A) The Third District shall be composed of the counties of Carroll and Madison.~~

~~(B) The Third District shall have four (4) departments as follows:~~

~~(i) One (1) located in Berryville;~~

~~(ii) One (1) located in Eureka Springs;~~

~~(iii) One (1) located in Huntsville; and~~

~~(iv) One (1) located in Green Forest.~~

~~(C) The Third District shall be served by one (1) state district court judge.~~

~~(D) The Third District judge shall be elected districtwide.~~

~~(E) The Third District court shall have districtwide jurisdiction.~~

~~(3)(A) The Twenty-Seventh District shall be composed of the counties of Desha and Chicot.~~

~~(B) The Twenty-Seventh District shall have five (5) departments as follows:~~

~~(i) One (1) located in Dermott;~~

~~(ii) One (1) located in Eudora;~~

~~(iii) One (1) located in Lake Village;~~

~~(iv) One (1) located in Dumas; and~~

~~(v) One (1) located in McGehee.~~

~~(C) The Twenty-Seventh District shall be served by one (1) state district court judge.~~

~~(D) The Twenty-Seventh District judge shall be elected districtwide.~~

~~(E) The Twenty-Seventh District court shall have districtwide jurisdiction.~~

~~(4)(A) The Thirty-Third District shall be composed of the counties of Grant and Hot Spring.~~

~~(B) The Thirty-Third District shall have five (5) departments as follows:~~

~~(i) One (1) located in Sheridan;~~

~~(ii) One (1) located in Malvern;~~

- ~~(iii) One (1) located in Donaldson;~~
- ~~(iv) One (1) located in Friendship; and~~
- ~~(v) One (1) located in Rockport.~~

~~(C) The Thirty Third District shall be served by one (1) state district court judge.~~

~~(D) The Thirty Third District judge shall be elected districtwide.~~

~~(E) The Thirty Third District court shall have districtwide jurisdiction.~~

~~(5)(A) The Twenty Second District shall be composed of Lee and Phillips counties.~~

~~(B) The Twenty Second District shall have five (5) departments as follows:~~

- ~~(i) One (1) located in Marianna;~~
- ~~(ii) One (1) located in Helena-West Helena;~~
- ~~(iii) One (1) located in Lake View;~~
- ~~(iv) One (1) located in Elaine; and~~
- ~~(v) One (1) located in Marvell.~~

~~(C) The Twenty Second District shall be served by one (1) state district court judge.~~

~~(D) The Twenty Second District judge shall be elected districtwide.~~

~~(E) The Twenty Second District court shall have districtwide jurisdiction.~~

~~(6)(A) The Twenty Sixth District shall be composed of Ashley County.~~

~~(B) The Twenty Sixth District shall have two (2) departments as follows:~~

- ~~(i) One (1) located in Crossett; and~~
- ~~(ii) One (1) located in Hamburg.~~

~~(C) The Twenty Sixth District shall be served by one (1) state district court judge.~~

~~(D) The Twenty Sixth District judge shall be elected districtwide.~~

~~(E) The Twenty Sixth District court shall have districtwide jurisdiction; and~~

~~(7)(A) The Twenty Eighth District shall be composed of Bradley and Drew counties.~~

~~(B) The Twenty Eighth District shall have two (2) departments as follows:~~

~~(i) One (1) located in Monticello; and~~

~~(ii) One (1) located in Warren.~~

~~(C) The Twenty Eighth District shall be served by one (1) state district court judge.~~

~~(D) The Twenty Eighth District judge shall be elected districtwide.~~

~~(E) The Twenty Eighth District court shall have districtwide jurisdiction.~~

/s/J. Hutchinson