

**Judges of the original Judicial District Court of Jefferson County  
established as a “Circuit Court” in 1842.**

Honorable Shelby Cozine	1842-1844
Honorable Patrick C. Jacks	1844-1845
Honorable M. P. Marton	1845
Honorable R. L. Wheeler	1845-1846
Honorable John B. Jones	1846-1847
Honorable C. W. Buckley	1847-1854
Honorable O. M. Roberts [special judge]	1847
Honorable Joseph C. Megginson [special judge]	1851
Honorable Peter W. Gray	1854-1855
Honorable J. M. Maxcey	1855-1861
Honorable Charles L. Cleveland	1861-1866
Honorable Samuel A. Wilson	1866-1868
Honorable H. C. Pedigo	1868-1869
Honorable Seymour White	1869-1871
Honorable William Chambers	1871-1874
Honorable H. C. Pedigo	1874-1878
Honorable William Chambers [by special elections]	1878
Honorable H. C. Pedigo	1878-1880
Honorable W. H. Ford	1880-1889
Honorable J. M. Maxcey [special judge]	1889-1890
Honorable W. H. Ford	1890-1893
Honorable H. W. Grew [special judge]	1894
Honorable Stephen P. West	1893-1901

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**Judges of 58<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court of Jefferson County  
established September 2, 1901.**

Honorable J. D. Martin	September 02, 1901-December 16, 1902
Honorable W. H. Pope	December 17, 1902-January 23, 1912
Honorable E. A. McDowell	January 24, 1912-February 6, 1913
Honorable T. N. Hill [special judge]	February 7, 1913-March 12, 1913
Honorable W. H. Davidson	March 13, 1913-December 31, 1922
Honorable George Cave O’Brien	January 1, 1923-December 31, 1938
Honorable W. S. Nichols	January 1, 1939-December 31, 1958
Honorable Melvin Combs	January 1, 1959-March 31, 1961
Honorable Jack Brookshire	April 1, 1961-December 31, 1982
Honorable Ronald Walker	January 1, 1983-August 31, 1989
Honorable J. Michael Bradford	September 1, 1989 - June 23, 1994
Honorable James W. Mehaffy (Retired)	Jun 24, 1994 – December 31, 2006
Honorable Bob Wortham (Resigned)	January 1, 2007 – March 17, 2014
Honorable Tom Rugg, Sr. (Appointed)	April, 2014 – December 31, 2014
Honorable W. Kent Walston	January 1, 2015 - Present

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**Judges of 60<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court of Jefferson County**  
**established February 3, 1903.**

Honorable A. T. Watts	February 3, 1903-December 31, 1924
Honorable L. B. Hightower, Jr.	January 1, 1905-December 31, 1911
Honorable J. M. Conley	January 1, 1912-Jun 18, 1915
Honorable E. A. McDowell [died in office]	Jun 19, 1915- April 1924
Honorable J. D. Campbell [died in office]	May 15, 1924-April 1935
Honorable R. L. Murray	May 2, 1935-December 31, 1940
Honorable W. Tom Kenna	January 1, 1941- April 13, 1952
Honorable Harold R. Clayton	April 14, 1952-December 31, 1952
Honorable Melvin Combs	January 1, 1953-December 31, 1956
Honorable Gordon D. Gary	January 1, 1957-February 2, 1970
Honorable Jep S. Fuller	February 3, 1970-November 19, 1970
Honorable Melvin Combs [died in office]	November 20, 1970-May 23, 1980
Honorable Robert Wortham [pro-term]	June 3, 1980-December 31, 1980
Honorable Gary Sanderson	January 1, 1981-December 31, 2016
Honorable Justin Sanderson	January 1, 2017 - Present

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**Judges of the Criminal Judicial District Court of Jefferson County**  
**established April 11, 1939.**

(Note: The “C” cases were transferred from this court to the Domestic relations Court in 1961.)

Honorable Robert A. Shivers [died in office]	1939-1945
Honorable Quentin Keith	October, 1945-July, 1946
Honorable Owen M. Lord [retired]	July, 1946-December 31, 1962
Honorable George D. Taylor	January 1, 1963-December 31, 1974
Honorable Larry J. Gist	January 1, 1975-December 31, 1994
Honorable Charles Carver	January 1, 1995-12/31/2006
Honorable John Stevens	1/1/2007 - Present

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**Judges of 136<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court of Jefferson County**  
**established August, 1955.**

Honorable Harold R. Clayton	August, 1955-August 31, 1977
Honorable Jack R. King	September 1, 1977-Jun 30, 1995
Honorable Milton Gunn Shuffield	July 1, 1995- December 31, 2016
Honorable Baylor Wortham	January 1, 2017 - Present

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**Judges of the Domestic Relations Court of Jefferson County**  
**established August 25, 1961.**  
**(Designated as the 317<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court on September 7, 1977).**

Honorable Ethridge R. Wright	September 1, 1961-December 31, 1977
Honorable Everitt Lord [pro-term for appr. 3 months]	During Judge Wright's sick leave
Honorable James M. Farris	January 1, 1978-December 31, 1996
Honorable Jimmy (Skip) D. Hulett, Jr. [pro-term]	January 1, 1997-December 31, 1998
Honorable Lawrence E. Thorne, III	January 1, 1999-Present

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**Judges of 172<sup>nd</sup> Judicial District Court of Jefferson County**  
**established October 1, 1969.**

Honorable Thomas A. Thomas	October 1, 1969- October 31, 1989
Honorable Donald Floyd	December 15, 1989-Present
Honorable Mitch Templeton	January 1, 2019 - Present

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**Judges of 252<sup>nd</sup> Judicial District Court of Jefferson County**  
**established August, 1977.**

Honorable Leonard J. Giblin, Jr. (Retired)	September 1, 1977-12/31/2002
Honorable Layne Walker (Resigned)	1/1/2003 – 1/13/2014
Honorable Lindsay Scott (Appointed)	2/3/2014 – 12/31/2014
Honorable Raquel West	1/1/2015 - Present

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**Judges of 279<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court of Jefferson County**  
**established May 27, 1981.**

Honorable Michael D. Matheny	May 27, 1981-August 31, 1982
Honorable Robert P. Walker	September 1, 1982-December 31, 1998
Honorable Tom Mulvaney (Died in Office)	January 1, 1999- 11/20/2005
Honorable Rick Williams (Appointed)	1/6/2006 – 12/31/2006
Honorable Randy Shelton	1/1/2007 - Present

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**Judges of Drug Impact Court of Jefferson County**  
**established June 1, 1992.**

Various visiting Judges	June 1, 1992-December 31, 1994
Honorable Larry J. Gist [permanent visiting Judge]	January 1, 1995-10/19/2019 (Deceased)
Various Visiting Judges	November, 2019 - Present

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**Justices of the 9<sup>th</sup> District Court of Appeals**  
**established June 19, 1915.**

**Chief Justices**

Honorable J. M. Conley	June 19, 1915-January 1, 1917
Honorable L. B. Hightower, Jr.	January 1, 1917-June 25, 1932
Honorable Daniel Walker	June 30, 1932-March 4, 1944
Honorable Thos. B. Coe	March 9, 1944-May 12, 1953
Honorable R. L. Murray	May 15, 1953-November 3, 1958
Honorable John R. Anderson	December 1, 1958-May 15, 1961
Honorable L. B. Hightower, III	June 17, 1961-April 5, 1968
Honorable James F. Parker	November 20, 1968-May 14, 1971
Honorable Martin Dies, Jr.	September 1, 1971-August 31, 1989
Honorable Ronald L. Walker	September 1, 1989-December 31, 2002
Honorable Steve McKeithen	1/1/2003 - 12/31/2020
Honorable Scott Golemon	1/1/2021 - Present

**Associate Justices**

Honorable A. G. Brooke	June 19, 1915-January 1, 1921
Honorable W. B. O'Quinn	January 1, 1921-January 1, 1945
Honorable Charles B. Walker	January 1, 1945-December 31, 1956
Honorable L. B. Hightower, III	January 1, 1957-June 17, 1961
Honorable Homer E. Stephenson	July 1, 1961-August 31, 1977
Honorable Harold R. Clayton	September 1, 1977-September 30, 1983
Honorable James D. McNicholas	October 19, 1983-November 27, 1984
Honorable Don Burgess	November 28, 1984 - 12/31/2005

**Associate Justices**

Honorable V. E. Middlebrook	June 19, 1915-January 1, 1917
Honorable A. E. Davis	January 1, 1917-April 19, 1917
Honorable S. M. King	June 2, 1917-November 30, 1918
Honorable R. A. Greer	December 1, 1918-December 31, 1918
Honorable Daniel Walker	January 1, 1919-June 30, 1932
Honorable Isaac W. Lawhon	June 30, 1932-December 31, 1932
Honorable J. M. Combs	January 1, 1933-October 1, 1943
Honorable Thos. B. Coe	October 1, 1943-March 9, 1944
Honorable R. L. Murray	March 27, 1944-May 15, 1953
Honorable John R. Anderson	June 1, 1953-December 1, 1958
Honorable W. T. McNeill	December 1, 1958-February 7, 1964
Honorable James F. Parker	May 16, 1964-November 20, 1968
Honorable Quentin Keith	January 7, 1969-December 31, 1982
Honorable Jack Brookshire	January 1, 1983-December 31, 1994
Honorable Earl B. Stover [died in office]	January 1, 1995-December 9, 2000
Honorable David Gaultney (Retired)	1/1/2001 – November, 2013
Honorable Charles Kreger	1/1/2005 - Present
Honorable Hollis Horton, III	2004 – Present
Honorable Leanne Johnson	November 13, 2013 - Present

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