

**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

**Judges of 58th 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 60th 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

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

Judges of 136th 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 317th 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

Judges of 172nd 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

Judges of 252nd 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

Judges of 279th 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

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 9th 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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