



U.S. District Court— Eastern District of Missouri

MEETING CHALLENGES, MEETING EXPECTATIONS

Safe-guarding an Ethical, Impartial and Responsible Court

On **December 3, 2021** the Eastern District of Missouri extended until March 3, 2022 its Order under the CARES Act authorizing remote proceedings, extending the Speedy Trial Act waiver, and adopting safety measures related to COVID-19. Limiting the number of in-person proceedings was necessitated by the ongoing and resurgent COVID-19 pandemic.

Trials. Since the Eastern District resumed jury trials on March 15, 2021, a record number of jury trials were held. From March 15 to the end of the year, 44 jury trials were set and almost 1,600 jurors appeared for service the T.F. Eagleton and R.H. Limbaugh Sr. U.S. Courthouses. As in previous years, more than 90% of jurors responded with a favorable view of service. Even with the unprecedented number of jurors summoned, 90% reported the Court’s precautions to protect jurors against COVID-19 were ‘excellent’ or ‘good’.

Filings & Closings. The Eastern District kept current with its caseload by closing more civil and criminal defendant cases

than were filed in 2021. The Eastern District closed more than 2,100 civil and 1,100 criminal defendant cases, compared to about 1,800 and 1,000 filings, respectively.

National Pilot Programs. The Eastern District continues to participate in the Judicial Conference of the United States—Court Administration and Case Management Committee’s Juror Utilization Project and also the District Court Audio Streaming Pilot of live court proceedings on YouTube.

National Issues. Chief Justice John G. Roberts, Jr., issued his **2021 Year-End Report on the Federal Judiciary**. Chief Justice Roberts, Jr. stated decisional and institutional independence is fundamental to impartial decision-making free from political or other extraneous influence— thus preserving the public’s trust in the Judiciary. He detailed the steps the Judiciary has taken to address concerns regarding judges’ financial disclosure and recusal obligations and inappropriate conduct in the workplace. The Eastern District is committed to the vision outlined by the Chief Justice.

Our Mission: To serve the public, bench, and bar in an effective, fair, and impartial manner.

Serving the Citizenry of the United States by

- > Providing justice
- > Educating attorneys
- > Informing the public
- > Supervising & rehabilitating offenders
- > Using resources wisely

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Eastern District of Missouri Court en Banc



THE HONORABLE

Henry E. Autrey



U.S. District Judge Henry E. Autrey serves on the **Judicial Conference of the United States'**

Codes of Conduct Committee—which provides advice, training, and policy recommendations concerning matters of judicial ethics for the application of the Code of Conduct for U.S. Judges and other judicial branch codes of conduct and Titles III & VI of the Ethics Reform Act of 1989. Judge Autrey also serves on the Eighth Circuit's Jury Instruction Committee.

THE HONORABLE

Sarah E. Pitlyk



Sarah E. Pitlyk was sworn in as a U.S. District Judge in December 2019. Because of

the COVID-19 Pandemic, her investiture ceremony was delayed until October 2021. The ceremony was held in the Court of Appeals En Banc Courtroom in the T. F. Eagleton Courthouse. U.S. Supreme Court Justice Brett M. Kavanaugh attended, for whom Judge Pitlyk clerked when he was a Circuit Judge on the U.S. Court of Appeals in the District of Columbia Circuit.



THE HONORABLE

Catherine D. Perry



Senior U.S. District Judge Catherine D. Perry ended her 7-year term on the **Judicial**

Panel on Multidistrict Litigation.

The Panel determines if civil actions pending in different federal districts involve a common questions of fact and should be transferred to a single district for coordinated or consolidated pretrial proceedings. The Panel also selects the court and judge to conduct such proceedings.

THE HONORABLE

Stephen N. Limbaugh, Jr.



U.S. Senior District Judge Stephen L. Limbaugh presented the **'The Life and**

Times of Judge John Dillard

Cook', a video produced by the State Historical Society of Missouri. Judge Limbaugh narrates the legacy of Judge Cook, a judge in early 1800s southeast Missouri, through contemporaneous accounts of Judge Cook's experience as a lawyer, judge, politician, and community leader .

THE HONORABLE

David N. Noce



U.S. Magistrate Judge David N. Noce received the 2020 William L. Weiss Award from

the Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis. The award was presented at the Senior Lawyers Luncheon, hosted by BAMSL's Senior Lawyer Committee.

STRENGTHENING THE JUDICIARY

In Our Communities

Summer Teacher Institute

A two-day virtual summer institute for teachers was held in July covering topics related to the theme of “Federal Courts 101”. Chief U.S. District Judge Rodney W. Sippel and Missouri Supreme Court Judge Mary R. Russell *{pictured below}* spoke on the similarities and differences between the federal and state judiciaries. Chief U. S. Magistrate Judge Shirley A. Padmore Mensah spoke about the role of judges. Sentencing, careers in the judiciary, and jury service were also discussed.



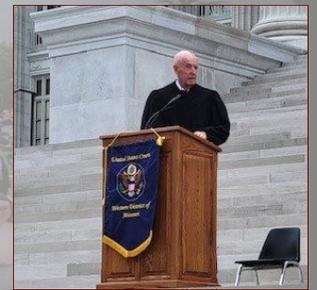
Extolling The Rule of Law



Commemorating Constitution Day, Chief U.S. Magistrate Judge Shirley A. Padmore Mensah *{pictured}* wrote an op-ed in the **St. Louis Post-Dispatch** reflecting on the importance of both the rule of law and a fair, impartial, and independent judiciary.

Membership in the Federal Bar

Senior U.S District Judge E. Richard Webber *{pictured}* and Chief U.S. District Judge Beth Phillips of the Western District of Missouri presided over a **swearing-in to the federal bar ceremony** on the Capitol Lawn in Jefferson City.



Students Visit the T.F. Eagleton U.S. Courthouse

U.S. District Judge Matthew T. Schelp *{pictured on left in photo}* spoke to Lutheran High School North students, and U.S. District Judge Sarah E. Pitlyk met with Rockwood Summit High’s career exploration program students. Students toured the courthouse, saw the judges’ courtrooms, and learned about the Court.



Engaging High School Students

U.S. Magistrate Judges Abbie Crites-Leoni and John M. Bodenhause *{pictured}* spoke on the judiciary at Saxony Lutheran High School in Jackson and **Pattonville High School** in Maryland Heights, respectively.



Scouts BSA Merit Badge Events

The Court held two virtual ‘Citizenship in the Nation’ merit badge events. Fifty scouts participated. Chief U.S. District Judge Rodney W. Sippel, U.S. Probation Officer Kenny Lawrence, Assistant U.S. Attorney Mike Reilly, and Ailey Pope from U.S. Senator Roy D. Blunt’s office presented on the requirements of the merit badges.

EDUCATION & COMMUNITY OUTREACH

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Bar Association of Metropolitan St Louis

2021 Bench & Bar

Chief U.S. District Judge Rodney W. Sippel, U.S. District Judge Matthew T. Schelp, Senior U.S. District Judge E. Richard Webber, and Chief U.S. Magistrate Judge Shirley A. Padmore Mensah participated in a plenary session on federal court updates at **BAMSL's 2021 Bench & Bar**.



Virtual Programming

Sixty-three programs, tailored to the recipients wishes, were held in 2021. Programs included observing courtroom proceedings, Q&A session with judges and attorneys, and mock trials. Highlights are:

- Chief U.S. District Judge Rodney W. Sippel & Chief U.S. Magistrate Judge Shirley A. Padmore Mensah spoke to international law students from Washington University
- U.S. District Judge Sarah E. Pitlyk spoke to Girl Scouts working on the Democracy Badge.
- U.S. District Judge Sarah E. Pitlyk & Senior U.S. District Judge E. Richard Webber presented on federal sentencing to law classes at Lafayette High School in Wildwood.
- Chief U.S. Magistrate Judge Shirley A. Padmore Mensah took part in Girl Scouts of the USA Democracy Badge program.
- U.S. Magistrate Judge Stephen R. Welby spoke to advanced placement classes at Farmington High School.

FEDERAL JUSTICE FELLOWSHIP 2021

The Southeast Division hosted the second annual Federal Justice Fellowship in 2021. Undergraduate students were selected to spend the summer learning what it means to work in the judicial system. Five upper classmen from Southeast Missouri State University completed the fellowship. The four-week program included courtroom observations, interaction with staff from all departments and agencies in the courthouse, legal writing instruction and practice, and a final project. U.S. Magistrate Judge Abbie Crites-Leoni planned and executed the program. She was assisted by a legal writing instructor, Professor Laura Hatcher, and a rising third-year law student, Cassie Minnifield.

- contribution by Rachel Marshall



From left to right: Daniel Frew, Wesley Avery, Audrey Evans, Abbie Hammack, and Reagen Tibbs (photo edited to reflect students who completed the fellowship)

BILL OF RIGHTS DAY

The 230th Anniversary of the Ratification of the First 10 Amendments

Tinker v. Des Moines—A Piece of History

An exhibit about the landmark First Amendment case *Tinker v. Des Moines* opened on Bill of Rights Day in the Judicial Learning Center in the T.F. Eagleton Courthouse. In 1965, several students in Des Moines, Iowa wore black armbands to school to protest the Vietnam War and honor the dead on both sides. When punished, the students and their families brought a federal lawsuit against the school district. The case moved through the court system, including two stops before the Eighth Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals in St. Louis. In the 1969, the U.S. Supreme Court found in favor of the students, ruling that public school students and teachers do not shed their First Amendment rights at the schoolhouse gate.

Through a collaboration between the Eighth Circuit and the Eastern District of Missouri, the new exhibit will soon feature the actual armband worn by Mary Beth Tinker in 1965, on loan to the Court. A dual in-person and virtual ceremony was held to celebrate the occasion. Mary Beth Tinker, U.S. Circuit Judge Jane Kelly, Chief U.S. District Judge Rodney W. Sippel, and Glenn Davis of the Judicial Learning Center Board spoke. “We are thrilled and proud that Mary Beth Tinker agreed to display this reminder of one of the most important student speech cases. In 1969, the Court ruled that the armband was a form of symbolic

speech, and today in the Judicial Learning Center, it is a symbol of why the judicial branch is important in our lives.” said Judge Sippel.

Immediately following the ceremony, 8th graders from Maplewood Richmond Heights became the first student group to tour the exhibit. The students also participated in a live, virtual Meet & Greet with Ms. Tinker. That afternoon, the Court provided a student webinar, facilitated by Street Law and featuring Mary Beth Tinker, for students and teachers around the country. During the **webinar**, Ms. Tinker discussed the case through her lens, and answered attendees’ questions.

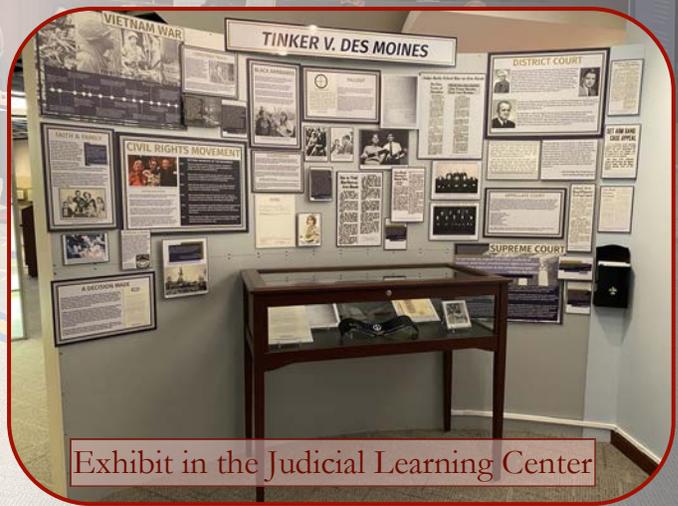


Exhibit in the Judicial Learning Center

Second Annual Student Contest on the Bill of Rights

This autumn, the Seventh and Eighth Circuits partnered on their second joint initiative for Bill of Rights Day—student contest with the theme “What Does the Bill of Rights Mean to Me?” Student contestants could submit essay, poetry, visual art, music, and video entries in one of three age categories. District courts promoted the contest in their jurisdictions, and 300 entries were received from throughout the ten-state region. Each district court selected a winner from each age category to advance to the finals, where entries were reviewed by the grand prize judging committee.

A live virtual event was held for the student contestants, their families and teachers, and the public. U.S. District Judge Brian C. Wimes of the Western District of Missouri addressed the virtual assembly about the Bill of Rights and answered questions. Announcement of the grand prize winners of the “What Does the Bill of Rights Mean to Me?” followed, after which winning students were given time to discuss their entries.

The list of district finalists, winners, and their entries can be viewed on the contest website [here](#).

The Federal Practice Memorial Trust Seminar

The Future of Access

The 2021 Federal Practice Seminar, sponsored by the Federal Practice Memorial Trust in cooperation with the Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis, focused on access to, and inclusion in, the Federal Judiciary. Attorneys could earn 3.2 ethics and 1.0 elimination of bias CLEs. Almost 300 individuals participated in the remote event.

Chief U.S. District Judge Rodney W. Sippel and J. Bennett Clark, chair of the trust, opened the day-long event. The Honorary Lunch Speaker was Becky Halstead, Brigadier General, U.S. Army, Retired. General Halstead spoke on impactful leadership—as a choice and a journey. She spoke of diversity as “the courage to think differently” and the need to “respect all talent, and promote equality and inclusion”.

Sessions were:

- Access & Leadership in a Challenging World What is Your Role?
- Diversity & Inclusion / Views from the Bench & Firm Cultures
- Appellate Court Best Practices / Ethics of Access; Present and Future
- Courtroom Access – Media Perspective
- Supreme Court Term in Review
- 8th Circuit Term in Review
- Mining “Federal Golden Nuggets” - Hot, New Must-Know Cases
- Roundtable Discussion - Judges of the Eastern District: Ethical Challenges in a Remote World

Presenters included appellate, district & magistrate judges, law clerks, city attorneys, academics, attorneys in private practice, and reporters.

Phenomenal program top to bottom

Excellent program! I drove over 100 miles and fought the terrible traffic to be here and it was well worth it.—past participant comment

Eighth Circuit Judicial Conference

Law in the Time of Crisis

The 2021 Eighth Circuit Judicial Conference emphasized pertinent and up-to-date legal topics relevant to the conference theme—“Law in a Time of Crisis.” These included:

- a representative judiciary and judicial legitimacy,
- the future of the franchise—election law after 2020,
- the 1st Amendment in times of crisis,
- mental health and practice of law during the COVID-19 Pandemic, and
- Changes in legal practice and education after the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Brigadier General Linell A. Letendre, Dean of the Faculty, U.S. Air Force Academy was the guest speaker at the conference luncheon. The Eighth Circuit Bar Association and the Minnesota Chapter of the Federal Bar Association hosted a Bench & Bar reception.

2022 CLEs	CJA Panel Attorney Seminar - May
Southeastern Division Bench & Bar – April	Northern Division Bench & Bar – June

Always an excellent seminar.—participant comment

Good balance of topics kept it interesting.—participant comment

Independence Day Gateway Arch National Park



An Independence Day Naturalization Ceremony was held Gateway Arch National Park’s Visitor Center. Chief U.S. District Judge Rodney W. Sippel presided {pictured left}.

St. Louis County Executive Dr. Sam Page gave the keynote address {pictured right}. Cub Scout Pack 344 led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Constitution Day Gateway Arch National Park



Judge Autrey & the Black Robe Choir

The annual Constitution Day Naturalization Ceremony was also held at the Gateway Arch National Park. U.S. District Judge Henry E. Autrey presided. Belinda Dantley, Assistant Dean of Diversity,

Equity and Inclusion—Saint Louis University School of Law, gave the keynote address. The De Smet Jesuit High School Black Robe choir sang the Star Spangled Banner and My America.

A Missouri Statehood Day Naturalization Ceremony celebrating Missouri’s bicentennial was held at the Missouri State Capitol. Senior U.S. District Judge Stephen N. Limbaugh, Jr. and Chief U.S. District Judge Beth Phillips of the Western District of Missouri presided.

[Music]

A Veterans Day Naturalization Ceremony was held in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit’s En Banc Courtroom in the T.F. Eagleton U.S. Courthouse. U.S. Magistrate Judge David D. Noce presided {pictured}.



Cub scouts lead pledge

Naturalized citizens included four active and reserve duty service members. Cub Scout Pack 335 led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A Constitution Day Naturalization Ceremony was held at Busch Stadium before a St. Louis Cardinals home game vs. the Los Angeles Dodgers. U.S. Magistrate Judge John M. Bodenhause presided {pictured}. Twenty people became naturalized citizens.



Veterans Day 8th Circuit En Banc Courtroom

Constitution Day Busch Stadium

COURT LEADERSHIP TRANSITIONS

PROBATION OFFICE

Kimberly Bramlett



Kimberly S. Bramlett is the new Chief Probation Officer for the Eastern District of Missouri, a position she held at the Western District of

Arkansas since 2018. Ms. Bramlett started her career as a federal probation officer in the Southeastern Division of the Eastern District of Missouri. She received the 2014 Missouri Lawyer’s Weekly Women’s Justice Award in recognition of her work with the Court.

Prior to federal service, Ms. Bramlett worked in the Children’s Division of the Missouri Courts—primarily in the 32nd, 33rd and 34th Judicial Circuits in southeast Missouri. Ms. Bramlett is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker.

FEDERAL PUBLIC DEFENDER

Lee T. Lawless

Lee T. Lawless retired from his position as the Federal Defender for the Eastern District of Missouri. He was presented the Richard S. Arnold Award for Distinguished Service and Lifetime Achievement {below} by members of the Eighth Circuit Bar Association Board of Directors at the 2021 Eighth Circuit Judicial Conference.



Nanci McCarthy



In September 2021, Nanci H. McCarthy was sworn in as the Federal Defender for the Eastern District of Missouri.

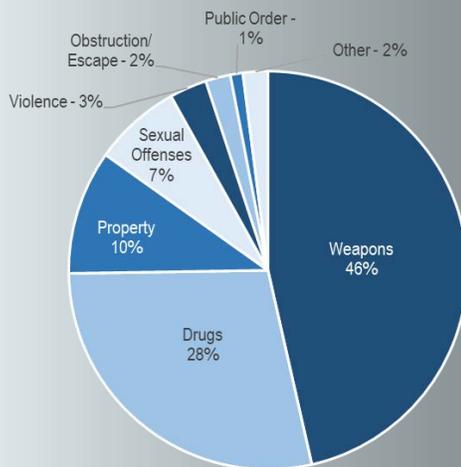
She received a law degree from the University of Notre Dame and bachelor’s from the University of Michigan. She has served as an Assistant Federal Defender in the Eastern District since 2007. Prior, Ms. McCarthy worked with the Missouri State Public Defender System—serving as District Defender for St. Louis County Office, First Assistant for the City of St. Louis Trial Division, Special Counsel for the Commitment Defense Unit, and as an Assistant Public Defender in the St. Louis County Trial Division.

PRETRIAL SERVICES OFFICE

Supervision Caseload Statistics

In fiscal year 2021, the Pretrial Services Office investigated 1,576 new cases, which is a notable increase of 335 cases compared to fiscal year 2020. In 2021, weapons offenses accounted for 46% of new cases. The majority of new cases fell into the following categories: weapons offenses (727), drug offenses (440), property offenses (156), and sex offenses (111). The number of new case activations in the Eastern District of Missouri in fiscal year 2021 was the eighth highest number of new case activations nationwide. The increase is also reflected in the number of defendants who were released on bond and who remained under supervision. In the Eastern District of Missouri in fiscal year 2020, 336 defendants were released on bond, and in fiscal year 2021, 435 defendants were released on bond. At the end of fiscal year 2020, 454 defendants remained under pretrial supervision, and at the end of fiscal year 2021, 512 defendants remained under pretrial supervision.

The Pretrial Services Office also investigated 28 new pretrial diversion cases and collected \$29,696 in restitution payments in fiscal year 2021. Restitution is distributed back to victims who sustained financial losses as a result of the divertees’ criminal conduct.



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Motion for Kids

Senior Officer Tiffany Corley once again organized the gift drive for Motion for Kids for the entire T. F. Eagleton U.S. Courthouse. Motion For Kids is sponsored and organized by the Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis and the St. Louis Bar Foundation. The charity event collects gifts and holds an annual holiday party for children who are part of the foster care system and/or whose lives have been negatively impacted by the criminal justice system. The Pretrial Services Office Community Service Committee also volunteered assistance in preparation for the holiday party.

Diverting Defendants from Prison

The Eastern District’s **Sentencing Alternatives Improving Lives (SAIL)** Program continues to demonstrate its effectiveness. To date, 42 defendants have participated in the SAIL program and 28 have graduated. Since its inception in March 2015, the program has yielded \$3 million in savings by averting the costs of incarcerating these defendants. In calendar year 2021, seven participants successfully completed the program. There are currently five active participants in the program and three new participants scheduled to begin in early 2022.



SAIL Program Graduates & Participants

Staff Notes

During the summer and fall, Pretrial Services staff worked with a training consultant and social justice advocate, Tabari Coleman, to examine potential biases, stereotypes, and assumptions that impact professional behavior and to expand their capacities for empathy. Staff participated in five two-hour training sessions on Building a Culture of Inclusion that resulted in personal and professional growth in advocating for diversity and inclusion through the development of skills that foster a culture of inclusion.

Pretrial Services staff contributed to federal committees, work groups and trainings; including:
•Eastern District of Missouri’s Sentencing Alternatives Improving Lives Diversion Court •Federal Court Leadership Development Program (FCLDP) •National Pretrial Services Evidenced-Based Practices Working Group •Pretrial Services Chiefs Working Group •National District Review Teams •Collaborative Courts Conference •Chiefs Research Group •National Training Academy, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center •U.S. Probation Office and Pretrial Services Office Family Program •U.S. Probation Office and Pretrial Services Office Veterans Program •U.S. Probation Office and Pretrial Services Financial Investigation Team •Thomas F. Eagleton Courthouse Law Day Committee •Thomas F. Eagleton Courthouse Wellness Committee •BI Annual Training Conference •Federal Probation and Pretrial Officers Association National Conference •National Association of Pretrial Services Agencies Annual Conference •Civil Commitments Training

PROBATION OFFICE

Treatment for Successful Re-Entry

Project EARN

Begun in 2008, the Project Expanding Addicts’ Recovery Network (EARN), the Eastern District’s first reentry treatment court, is an intensive supervision program assisting high-risk offenders who are struggling with an active and lengthy drug addiction achieve sobriety. Since inception, there have been 255 separate participants, with some of these entering the program more than once. Only four Project EARN participants have been lost to overdose death and three to gun violence in the community. Eighty-four (84) participants have graduated Project EARN. Currently there are 30 active participants.

Project GRIP

Begun in 2010, the Project Gang Reentry Initiative Program (GRIP) is a voluntary, intensive supervision program assisting gang-involved individuals prior to or at release from incarceration—connecting individuals with resources and training that improves social, educational, and vocational abilities. Since inception, there have been 48 participants and 12 graduates. Currently there are 4 active participants. Project GRIP’s accomplishments include: the first and only federal gang court, graduates who are willing to mentor others, and the 2018 “Superior Accomplishments in Gang Intervention” award from the National Gang Crime Research Center, Chicago, IL.

Veterans Court

Begun in 2011, the Veterans Court connects veterans exiting the Bureau of Prisons or sentenced to probation with job training, employment, a mentor and service referrals. Participants must sign a ‘Voluntary Participant Agreement’, detailing reentry court expectations. Participants must be eligible for services through the Department of Veterans Affairs. Veterans Court began in Cape Girardeau, but is currently operated in St. Louis. Since inception, there have been 52 participants and 43 graduates—including four in 2021.

JCG Mental Health Court

Begun in 2013, the Janis C. Good Mental Health Court (*named for a former Assistant Federal Public Defender in the Eastern District*) addresses the unique needs of individuals diagnosed with a serious and persistent mental illness, including those with a dual diagnosis of substance abuse and mental illness if mental illness is the primary mental health issue. Since inception, there have been approximately 70 participants and 22 graduates/completions. Currently there are 6 active participants.

STAR Court

Begun in 2019, the Supervision to Aid Reentry (STAR) Court in Cape Girardeau is the only reentry court outside of St. Louis. STAR Court focuses on persons under supervision with an elevated to intense risk of re-offending and provides participants structured steps to safely reenter the community, establish healthy habits, and thrive. Since inception, there have been 9 participants and 3 graduates. Currently there are 3 active participants.

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Because of the pandemic, 2021 has been just as challenging as 2020. But despite the pandemic, the Probation Office's Family Program still successfully addressed the needs of our clients.

The Family Program held a 'Back To School' event for children 13 and under from low-income families. Caritas Connections, a major benefactor for many of the Probation Office's program, donated enough school supplies for 175 students. Students received a backpack filled with grade-specific necessities to ensure they had the opportunity to be academically successful this school year.



Happy backpack recipients!

This year the Family Program wanted help ease the financial burden of families with students starting college. First-year students at area community colleges were given a laptop & bag, USB drives, and other school supplies. First-year students living on campus were given a laptop, bedding, mini refrigerator, microwave, lamp, and toiletries.



Supervisee's son receives laptop

- contribution by Vashell Anderson & Jo Cooper

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SPREADING HOLIDAY CHEER

The Probation Office conducts an annual toy and coat drive for children during the holidays. This year we gave gifts for over 400 children. We also gave the children's families a holiday turkey and hand-made quilt. The gifts were distributed at a socially-distanced event in partnership with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers—Electrical Workers Local 1. In addition, the

- contribution by Clark Porter

Probation Office received funding for coats for both children and adult. Coat swill be given out as needed.



MEET KARLI & COAL

The Ryan Griffin Memorial Foundation, founded by Kim and Rick Griffin after their son passed away from an accidental drug overdose, gave the Probation Office a K-9 that sniffs out firearms. The foundations has donated 16 K-9s to agencies in metropolitan St. Louis.

To help raise funds for future area K-9 donations, Probation Officers Margul {below left} and Jackson {below right}, and their K-9s Karli and Coal, demonstrated K-9 skills to participants in the Ryan Griffin Memorial Foundation's annual golf tournament.



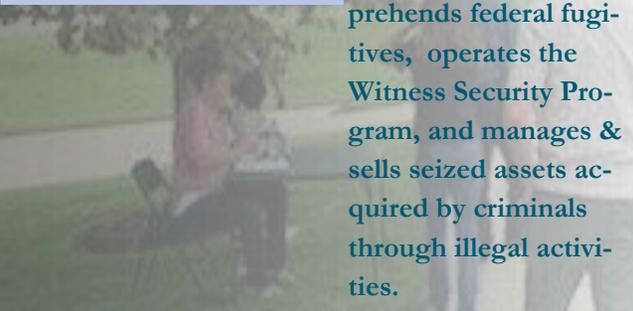
- contribution by Shaun Margul

PROBATION OFFICE

UNITED STATES MARSHALS SERVICE Appreciation Day



The Eastern District is proud to have provided a complimentary lunch to the United States Marshals Service (USMS). The USM protects the federal judiciary, serves court documents, houses & transports federal prisoners, apprehends federal fugitives, operates the Witness Security Program, and manages & sells seized assets acquired by criminals through illegal activities.



District Court Information

The Honorable
Rodney W. Sippel,
Chief Judge

Gregory J. Linhares
Clerk of Court

Mark M. Reichert
Chief Pretrial Services
Officer

Kimberly S. Bramlett
Chief Probation
Officer

Eastern District of Missouri Staff Community Service

Eastern District of Missouri staff contributed to many charities over the past year. The Clerk's Office Hospitality Committee collected toiletries and other self-care items for The Women's Safe House. through emergency services, education and advocacy; The Women's Safe House empowers women and families to rebuild their lives free of domestic abuse.

Coordinated by the Court Service/Outreach Committee, staff volunteered three hours of their time through the Brightside's Neighbors Naturescaping Program to help local organizations with planting and gardening in two St. Louis neighborhoods—The Veteran Women Influence at the northeast corner of Cook & Pendleton and The Botanical Heights in the 4000 block of Blaine at Thurman.

The Court Service/Outreach Committee collected toiletries, snacks, batteries and birdseed for the Missouri Veterans Home in Cape Girardeau—a long-term skilled nursing facility. In addition to donations, staff could fill out a card thanking a veteran for his/her service or sending an other sentiment.

EDMO Chambers, the Clerk's Office, and Probation also all contributed to the Motion for Kids project led by Pretrial Services Officer Tiffany Corley (see p.9).



Eastern District Court Locations

Thomas F. Eagleton
U.S. Courthouse
111 South 10th Street
St. Louis, MO 63102
314-244-7900

Rush Hudson
Limbaugh, Sr.
U.S. Courthouse
555 Independence St
Cape Girardeau, MO 63703
573-331-8800

Hannibal Federal Bldg
801 Broadway
Hannibal, MO 63401