



IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI  
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**Supreme Court of Missouri  
announces the appointment of  
The Honorable Jay Daugherty  
as Chairman of the  
Commission on Alternative Dispute Resolution**

The Supreme Court of Missouri recently appointed the members of the Commission on Alternative Dispute Resolution. Chairing the Commission is The Honorable Jay Daugherty, Judge, 16th Judicial Circuit. The entire list of all Commission members follows.

According to the Supreme Court order, the Commission shall:

Review the provisions of Rule 17, Rule 88 and the final report of the Commission on Alternative Dispute Resolution Services in Domestic Relations Cases.

Review the national trend toward the adoption of the Uniform Mediation Act and the status and desirability of adoption of the act in Missouri.

Consider the issues of confidentiality, privilege, the giving of legal advice and other ethical issues in connection with alternative dispute resolution services.

Assess the dramatically increased use and acceptance of alternative dispute resolution services since the adoption of Rule 17, which took effect in 1997.

Assess the impact of the proliferation of arbitration clauses in many new areas of business.

The committee has been holding regular meetings since its appointment. It will provide an initial report to the Supreme Court no later than September 1, 2009. Judge Daugherty and the Committee invite input from members of the Missouri Bar, including comments or concerns regarding the duties or actions of the Committee.

Committee Members:

The Honorable Jay Daugherty, Judge, 16<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit, Committee Chairman

Robert G. Bailey, University of Missouri School of Law, Columbia

James B. Condry, Springfield

Michael S. Geigerman, St. Louis

Maurice Graham, St. Louis

Nancy Kenner, Kansas City

John R. Phillips, Kansas City

Sarah J. Read, Columbia

Richard P. Sher, St. Louis

Karen Tokarz, Washington University School of Law, St. Louis

Persons interested in offering testimony or input to the Committee should contact Mary Jacobi, 16<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit, (816-881-3552) or the Committee member directly.