

**TENTH DISTRICT
DISTRICT COURT OF MARION COUNTY AND DISTRICT COURT OF BAXTER COUNTY**

**ADMINISTRATIVE PLAN
AMENDED JANUARY 7, 2021**

Effective January 1, 2020

Pursuant to Administrative Order Number 18, Section 9, the Tenth District Court hereby submits the following Administrative Plan:

State District Judge

Jason Duffy is the elected State District Judge of the Tenth District which is composed of Baxter County and Marion County. The statutory authority for the organization and designation of this district court is found at A.C.A. §16-17-1110 (10).

Court Departments

Judge Duffy serves in each of the ten (10) statutory departments including Mountain Home, Cotter, Gassville, Norfolk, Briarcliff, Salesville, Lakeview, Yellville, Flippin, and Bull Shoals.

District Court Jurisdiction

The Tenth District judge has districtwide jurisdiction. The Court hears traffic and misdemeanor criminal cases from all departments. The Court also hears Civil and Small Claims cases in the Mountain Home department and the Yellville departments. This includes the additional power and authority set out in Administrative Order Number 18, Section 6 including referred matters pending in the Circuit Court.

Court Sessions

Sessions of Court can vary, but generally are scheduled as follows:

Monday:	9 AM:	8.1 Hearings	Yellville	
		Small claims and Civil trials	Yellville	5 th Monday
	10 AM:	Pleas and Arraignments	Yellville	1 st & 4 th Monday
		Pleas and Arraignments	Flippin	3 rd Monday
	1 PM:	Trials	Yellville	1 st & 4 th Monday
		Trials	Flippin	3 rd Monday
Tuesday:	9 AM:	City Arraignments	Mountain Home	
	1 PM:	City Trials and Prisoner Arraignments	Mountain Home	
Wednesday:	9 AM:	Small Claims and Civil Trials	Mountain Home	
	1 PM:	Arraignments and Trials	Lakeview	1 st Wednesday
		Arraignments and Trials	Gassville	2 nd Wednesday
		Arraignments and Trials	Cotter	3 rd Wednesday
		Arraignments and Trials	Norfolk and Briarcliff	4 th Wednesday
	2:30 PM:	Pleas, Arraignments and Trials	Bull Shoals	1 st Wednesday)

Thursday:	9 AM:	County Arraignments	Mountain Home
	1 PM:	County Trials and Prisoner Arraignments	Mountain Home
Friday:	9 AM:	Protective Order Hearings	Mountain Home
	1 PM:	Protective Order Hearing	Mountain Home

Note: Cases from the Salesville department are scheduled on an as needed basis and are heard in the Mountain Home department. The City of Salesville passed an ordinance commemorating this agreement in writing and waiving the mandatory monthly court requirement in January 2020.

Circuit Court Cases

Pursuant to the Administrative Plan of the 14th Judicial Circuit and Administrative Order Number 18, State District Judge Jason Duffy is referred the following matters pending in Circuit Court:

1. Consent jurisdiction. Matters filed in the civil, domestic relations or probate division of Circuit Court upon the consent authorized by Administrative Order 18, Section 6(b)(1) and Section 6(d); and
2. Protective Orders. Ark. Code Ann. 9-15-201-217; and
3. Forcible Entry and Detainers and Unlawful Detainer. Ark. Code Ann. 18-60-301-312; and
4. Other Matters. Matters of an emergency or uncontested nature pending in the civil, domestic relations or probate division of Circuit Court including *ex parte* emergency, involuntary commitments, decedent's estate administration, uncontested divorces and defaults under guidelines and procedures set out in the 14th Judicial Circuit Administrative Plan; and
5. Criminal Matters. Pursuant to Administrative Order 18, Section 6(b)(5)

Compliance with Administrative Order 4

The Tenth District State District Court hereby certifies that it utilizes the digital audio recording equipment and procedures mandated by Administrative Order 4 and the Guidelines issued by the Administrative Office of the Courts.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned agrees to the above Administrative Plan and respectfully petitions the 14th Judicial Circuit Judges and the Supreme Court of Arkansas to approve said Plan.

Respectfully submitted,



 Jason Duffy
 State District Judge,
 Tenth Judicial District Court