

**CRAIGHEAD COUNTY, STATE DISTRICT COURT  
ADMINISTRATIVE PLAN**

State District Court, District 19, Craighead County, Arkansas

1. JUDGES: The Craighead County District Court is served by two state district judges. The judges serve in the designated divisions and departments of the court as follows:

David Boling	<u>Division #1</u>	<u>Jonesboro/Lake City</u>
Thomas Fowler	<u>Division #2</u>	<u>Jonesboro/Lake City</u>

2. COURT: Sessions of court are generally scheduled on:

<u>Division #1 &amp; #2</u>	Jonesboro	M/T/W 9:00 A.M.-5:00 P.M
<u>Division #1 &amp; #2</u>	Jonesboro	Monday 9:30 A.M. Circuit Court
<u>Division #1 &amp; 2</u>	Jonesboro	M-F 1:00 P.M. Video Court
<u>Division #1 &amp; 2</u>	Jonesboro	Thursday 9:30 A.M.-5:00 P.M.
<u>Division #1 &amp; 2</u>	Lake City	Thursday 9:30 A.M.-1:00 P.M.

3. TYPES OF CASES: The following cases are heard at these locations:

<u>Division #1 &amp; 2</u>	Jonesboro	Criminal, Traffic, Civil and Small Claims
<u>Division #1 &amp; 2</u>	Lake City	Criminal, Traffic, Civil and Small Claims

Both judges conduct bond hearings, Rule 8.1 hearings and probable cause hearings every day at 1:00 P.M. via video court in Jonesboro, unless cancelled due to scheduling conflicts and with notice to the public and press 24 hours in advance when possible.

Both Judges have a “sign up docket” on M/T/W at 1:00 P.M. for individuals who wish to speak to the Judges while not being scheduled for court that day. These usually include people who would like to discuss fine payment issues, public service work issues and driver licenses issues.

Both judges are “on-call” all hours of every day. Both judges are called upon at all hours for various things including but not limited to: search warrants, blood draw warrants and temporary bonds.

4. SPECIALTY PROGRAMS: The following specialty programs are provided:

Sobriety Court, at the District Court courtroom in Jonesboro.

a. Type of program and description of its operation.

A special docket was created, as a subdivision of the criminal docket, namely the Craighead County Sobriety Court (CCSC), a voluntary program which is conducted every Thursday evening at 5:00P.M and staffed at 4 P.M. . The CCSC special docket is modeled for repeat impaired driving offenders, that is, an individual who are charged with 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> DWI offense and/or have been arrested with a BAC level of .15 or above. The CCSC is a highly intensive monitoring program combined with treatment and patterned on the national drug court model.

b. Statutory or legal authority on which it is based.

Arkansas Supreme Court Administrative Orders 14 and 18, A.C.A. § 5-65-103 et. seq. and/or A.C.A. § 16-98-303 et. seq. and ACT 1044 of 2019.

c. Certification of compliance with all applicable laws, including fines, participant fees, court costs, and probation assessments.

We hereby certify that the Craighead County Sobriety Court operates in compliance with all applicable laws, including fines, court costs, participant fees, probation assessments and jail punishment.

d. Use of court resources.

The CCSC Team includes Judge Fowler, a coordinator, a prosecutor, a public defender, probation officer/case manager, evaluator(s), treatment provider(s), an evaluation specialist from Office of Behavioral Research & Evaluation and a court liaison/law enforcement member. Team members have attended training programs offered by the National Center for DWI Courts (NCDC) in collaboration with the National Association of Drug Court Professionals (NADCP) and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). The CCSC was implemented and operates according to the NCDC's Ten Guiding Principles and Arkansas law.

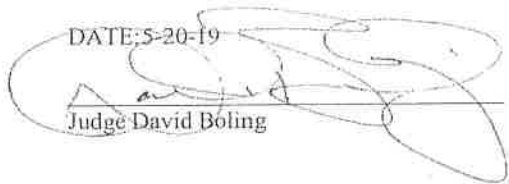
e. Sources of funding.


The CCSC is funded by a grant from the Arkansas State Police Highway Safety Office in conjunction with NHTSA, participant fees, community donations and other applicable grants.

5. ADDITIONAL:

At least once a year, the court holds "Amnesty Days" wherein the court will focus on granting some type of amnesty to individuals who are having issues with the court. Past amnesty days have focused on fines, fees, costs, public service work, failure to appear and probation violations. Each year the court attempts to focus on a different issue to address different needs of

the community and individuals in the court system. There is no cost to any individual who is eligible and participates in the amnesty days, but the court does suggest a gift of 2 cans of food or 2 cans of pet food which are donated to local charities.

DATE: 5-20-19  
  
Judge David Boling

  
Judge Thomas Fowler