

**Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed  
prior to this session of the General Assembly.  
Act 1227 of the Regular Session**

1 State of Arkansas  
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3 Regular Session, 2005  
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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2420

5 By: Representatives Everett, Cook, Cooper, D. Evans, Harrelson, Key, Kidd, W. Lewellen, Mack,  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO CLARIFY ARKANSAS CODE § 14-14-1001  
CONCERNING COUNTY COURTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

### Subtitle

AN ACT TO CLARIFY ARKANSAS CODE § 14-14-  
1001 CONCERNING COUNTY COURTS.

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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 14-14-1001 is amended to read as follows:

22 14-14-1001. County court generally.

23 (a) Courts of Record. The county court shall be a court of record and  
24 shall keep just and faithful records of its proceedings.

25 (b) Seal of the Court. The county court of each county shall preserve  
26 and keep a seal with such emblems and devices as the court deems proper. The  
27 impression of the seal of the court by stamp shall be sufficient sealing in  
28 all cases where sealing is required.

29 (c) Establishment of Office. The county judge shall maintain an  
30 office ~~in the county courthouse~~ in a county building at the county seat. The  
31 office shall be open to the public during normal business hours. However, in  
32 counties having more than one (1) county seat or judicial district, the  
33 county court may prescribe the times and places the offices shall be open to  
34 the public for the transaction of county business.

35 (d) Term of the County Court. The terms of the county courts shall be



1 held at the times that are prescribed for holding the supervisor's courts or  
2 may otherwise be prescribed by law. There shall be no adjournment of county  
3 courts, but such courts shall be deemed in recess when not engaged in the  
4 transaction of county business. In counties having more than one (1)  
5 judicial district, the county court shall be concurrently in session in each  
6 district.

7 (e) Disqualification of Judges. Whenever a judge of the county may be  
8 disqualified for presiding in any cause pending in his court, he shall  
9 certify the facts to the Governor, who shall thereupon commission a special  
10 judge to preside in the cause during the time the disqualification may  
11 continue or until the cause may be fully disposed of.

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