

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.

State of Arkansas
83rd General Assembly
Regular Session, 2001

A Bill

SENATE BILL 506

By: Senator Simes

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO CREATE A NEW CIRCUIT JUDGESHIP IN THE FIRST
JUDICIAL DISTRICT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

AN ACT TO CREATE A NEW CIRCUIT JUDGESHIP
IN THE FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT.

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

SECTION 1. (a) There is created in the First Judicial District an additional circuit judgeship, which shall have jurisdiction in law, equity, and probate.

(b) As soon as possible after the effective date of this act, the Governor shall appoint a qualified person to temporarily fill the First Judicial District circuit judgeship created by this act, and the appointed person shall serve until December 31, 2002, or until a successor has been elected and qualified, whichever occurs last.

(c) The qualified electors of the district shall elect the additional circuit judge created by this act at the November, 2002, General Election, to take office on January 1, 2003. The additional judge shall be elected from the district and shall satisfy the same qualifications for holding office and shall receive the same salary, expenses, and other allowances as provided by law for judges of the circuit courts. The judge shall serve for elected terms of six (6) years.

(d) The counties which comprise the First Judicial District shall provide courtroom and office facilities and supplies for the judge of the circuit judgeship created by this act, which shall be paid out of the county

1 treasuries in the same manner as other demands against the counties, out of
2 funds appropriated by the respective quorum courts of the counties for such
3 purposes.

4 (e) There shall be provided for the judge of the circuit judgeship
5 created by this act a court reporter and a trial court administrative
6 assistant whose salaries shall be fixed and paid in the manner provided by law
7 for court reporters and trial court administrative assistants of the circuit
8 courts of this state.