



Gene Hamilton

Professional Experience

Gene Hamilton is a 1964 graduate of Westminster College and a 1967 graduate of the University of Missouri Law School in Columbia. He was admitted to the Missouri Bar in 1967, and served as Reporter of Opinions for the Missouri Public Service Commission in 1966 and 1967. He served as a Captain in the U.S. Army Signal Corps in 1968 and 1969.

Hamilton was appointed Prosecuting Attorney of Callaway County, Missouri on January 1, 1970 and was elected five successive terms without opposition. He was elected Circuit Judge in the Thirteenth Judicial Circuit in 1982 and was re-elected without opposition for five terms, retiring September 30, 2010. During the period January 1, 1970 until December 31, 1982, Hamilton practiced general civil and criminal law with the law firm of Holt, Krumm, Hamilton, Mays and Shryock in Fulton.

During his time on the bench, Hamilton tried more than 500 jury trials, including at least 50 homicide trials. He served as Presiding Judge of the Thirteenth Circuit from September, 2002, until March 30, 2010. Hamilton was the Vice-Chairperson of the Missouri Supreme Court Committee for Court Reporters, Chairperson of the Missouri Supreme Court Committee for Criminal Procedures for 15 years, a member of the Judicial Education Committee, and Chairperson of the Presiding Judges Executive Committee for four years, as well as serving on numerous other committees for the Missouri Supreme Court. Hamilton regularly served as faculty at the Missouri Judicial College, teaching in the areas of trial practice, post convictions remedies, probation violations, criminal jury instructions and evidence. He has also served as Chairperson of the Missouri Bar Committee Division of Judicial Administration and has taught many times in the CLE program of the Missouri Bar. Hamilton has also taught at William Woods University, Northeast Missouri University (now Truman University) and for the University of Missouri Law Enforcement Program.

Professional Affiliations:

- Callaway Co. Bar, 1970 - Present
- Boone Co. Bar, 1983 - Present
- Missouri Bar, 1967 - Present

Licensure:

- Missouri (1967)

Honors:

- Outstanding Young Man of America
- Optimist Club Law Enforcement Award
- The Delta Tau Delta Outstanding Alumni Award
- The Westminster College Alumni Award
- The Boone County Division of Family Services Distinguished Service Award
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- The Boone County Division of Family Services Distinguished Service Award
- Outstanding Service Award from the Missouri Court Reporters Association

Area of Competence:

- Personal Injury
- Products Liability
- Real Property
- Contracts
- Employment
- Construction
- Commercial
- Administrative Law
- Professional Liability/ Malpractice
- Labor
- Civil Rights
- Social Security
- Environmental Law
- FELA
- Securities
- Bankruptcy
- Insurance
- Intellectual Property

- Consumer
- Business Litigation
- Workers Compensation

Availability for Service

- St. Louis, MO
- Jefferson City, MO
- Columbia, MO
- Springfield, IL
- Kansas City, MO
- Cape Girardeau, MO
- Springfield, MO
- Rolla, MO

Education

- B.A., Westminster College, 1964
- J.D., University of Missouri School of Law in Columbia, 1967