Commissioners

Mike Leara, Chairman



Mike Leara was born and raised in St. Louis, Missouri. He attended St. Louis Community College at Meramec and Saint Louis University. Mr. Leara spent his early days in the financial services industry with Merrill Lynch in St. Louis and Houston, Texas. In 1995, Mr. Leara joined Stifel, Nicolaus & Co. until becoming an independent advisor and brokerage firm Principal in 1999. Mr. Leara is currently the owner of Gateway Advisors, LLC, a Registered Investment Advisory firm located in St. Louis.

Mr. Leara began his political career as president of the Concord Township Republicans in 1997 and subsequently appointed Committeeman of Concord Township in 2003, re-elected in 2004 and 2008. In 2008 Mr. Leara was also elected to the Missouri House of Representatives. While serving in the Missouri House, he served as Chairman the House Committee on Pensions, Joint Committee on Pensions and Administration & Accounts Committee. Mr. Leara also served as Vice-Chair of the Missouri State Employees Retirement System (MOS-ERS). Mr. Leara was re-elected in 2010, 2012 and 2014 serving until his retirement in Janu-ary 2017. Mr. Leara is a member of Abiding Savior Lutheran Church in St. Louis and in his spare time, enjoys restoring muscle cars, motorcycles and military vehicles.

Brandon Boulware



Brandon J.B. Boulware (Kansas City) is a partner at Boulware Law LLC in Kansas City. Mr. Boulware represents individuals and corporations – as both plaintiffs and defendants – in business disputes and personal injury matters across the country. Mr. Boulware has over 15 years of litigation experience in state and federal courts, starting his legal career as a clerk for the Chief Justice of the Missouri Supreme Court. He is a graduate of the University of Missouri-Columbia and American University-Washington College of Law. Mr. Boulware is a trustee of the St. Paul's Episcopal Day School. He and his wife have four children.

Pat Conway



Pat Conway is a lifetime resident of St. Joseph, Missouri. He served in the Missouri House of Representatives from 2010-2019 for the 10th District. Pat Conway was Buchanan County Clerk from 1983-2010. A Vietnam Veteran, Conway has served on the Missouri Veterans Commission and is a member of the Knights of Columbus, the American Legion and several other military and civic organizations. He's a graduate of Missouri Western State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Social Science.

David W. Hane



David W. Hane of Laclede is the former city manager and police chief of Brookfield, Missouri. Hane was appointed as a police officer in 1975, then as police chief in 1982 and served the community for 38 years. He was appointed as city manager in 2005, serving in both capacities until his retirement in 2013. David is a graduate of Meadville, Missouri schools, earned a BS in Criminal Justice from Truman State University in Kirksville, and is a graduate of the FBI Academy in Quantico, VA. David is a member of several law enforcement organizations and also has volunteered his time to the Brookfield Lions Club, Brookfield Chamber of Commerce, and the Brookfield Area Growth Partnership.

Jan M. Zimmerman



Jan Zimmerman began her career in law enforcement in 1979 as a dispatcher with the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department. She attended the Police Academy at Kansas City and was sworn in as a police officer there in 1982. She rose through the ranks in Kansas City, holding assignments in Patrol, the Chief's Office, Human Resources, Narcotics and Vice, Financial Services, Information Technology and the Training Academy. She was ultimately promoted to Major, which was her rank when she retired to accept the position of Chief of Police of Raymore in 2012. Chief Zimmerman is a proud alumnus of both the FBI National Academy in Quantico and the Southern Police Institute at the University of Louisville. Additionally, she holds a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice and a Master's Degree in Public Administration from Park University. Chief Zimmerman is married to retired KCPD Deputy Chief David Zimmerman, and has two daughters and three grandchildren.