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JUDGE GANT BEGINS DELIBERATIONS AS MEMBER OF THE GAMING COMMISSION

JEFFERSON CITY, Missouri - Senior Judge Jack Gant of Independence will answer his second Missouri Gaming Commission roll call at the Commission's May 28th meeting. Governor Holden appointed Judge Jack Gant to the Commission on April 17th. He fills the slot created by the death of Muriel Battle.

Judge Gant received his undergraduate degree from the University of Missouri-Columbia and his law degree from the University of Missouri-Kansas City. He has had a distinguished public service career. He served in the United States Marines between 1946 and 1948 and the Missouri Senate between 1966 and 1977. He was appointed to the bench in 1976 and served as an active judge until 1998 when he went on Senior Judge status.

Judge Gant has served as Presiding Judge of the Jackson County Circuit court, president of the Missouri State Trial Judges,

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president of the Missouri State Juvenile Judges Section of the Missouri Judicial Conference, and chairman of the Missouri Division of Youth Services State Advisory Commission.

Over the years Judge Gant has been honored with numerous awards including, the University of Missouri Kansas City Law Foundation Award, Judicial Recognition Award form the Association for Women Lawyers of Greater Kansas City, Missouri State Criminal Defense Attorneys Award, Greater Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association Lifetime Achievement Award, and Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association President's Award.

Judge Gant is a member of the Mount Washington United Methodist Church and has been married to Beverly Jean Kirkham since September 8, 1951. He has been blessed with five children and ten grandchildren.

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