

# **Michael J. Cordonnier**

Springfield, Missouri

## **Personal**

Resident of Springfield, Greene County, Missouri for over 50 years.

Spouse – Martha; Two adult sons.

## **Education**

1979 University of Missouri-Columbia; BS Business Administration

1982 University of Tulsa-College of Law; Juris Doctorate

## **Work**

1982-2008 Private practice of law in Missouri, office Springfield

2008-2023 Appointed/elected Greene County Circuit Judge  
Retained in election 2012 and 2018.

Jul 2023 – present -Mediator/Arbitrator/Special Master.

## **Community**

President and Member of Friends of the Zoo board

President and Member of Discovery Center of the Ozarks board

Chairman and member Christ Church Foundation board

Member Writers Guild board

VP-Properties; Ozark Trails Council BSA

## **Professional**

Circuit Judge- 31<sup>st</sup> Judicial Circuit 2008-2023

Presiding Judge- 31<sup>st</sup> Judicial Circuit Court 2016-2023

President of the Missouri Circuit Judges' Association

Mediation training 2006 and 2023

Mediation panel – USDC Western District

Past arbitrator – AAA panel

Martindale Hubble AV rating (highest ranking for skill and ethics)

Best Lawyers in America

417 Best Lawyers

SMBA Presidents Award X2

Frequent speaker at legal, and judicial seminars

Appointed by Missouri Supreme Court as a member Court  
Automation Committee, and Press Liaison Committee

Judicial Excellence Award

(SMBA recognition awarded every 5 years)

Distinguished Attorney Award

(Highest recognition awarded by the SMBA)

## **Special Interests**

Outdoor recreation

Travel

Wildlife land management; Native prairie restoration.