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## Districts - Reapportionment

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# Districts - Reapportionment Private Acts of 1939 Chapter 281

SECTION 1. That civil district 8, 16, 11 and 7 of McNairy County, Tennessee, be and the same are hereby consolidated and from and after the effective date of this Act shall be known as Civil District No. 1 thereof. Pony Gibson and W. G. Walker, who were duly elected magistrates for the civil districts included in Civil District No. 1 as herein designated, are hereby designated as magistrates for said Civil District No. 1 and \_, duly elected constable for one of the civil districts included in Civil District No. 1, is hereby designated constable. Civil Districts 17, 19, 3 and 2 as now constituted, are hereby consolidated into one which shall be known as Civil District No. 2 of said county. W.R. Nickles and Wilbur Robertson, who were duly elected from part of the territory now comprised of Civil District No. 2 as herein designated, are designated as magistrates for said Civil Districts and \_, duly elected constable for a part of the territory now embraced in said Civil District No. 2 shall be designated constable. Civil Districts 12 and 15 as now constituted are hereby consolidated and shall comprise Civil District No. 3 of said county from and after the effective date of this Act. R. E. Wade and C. C. Lipford, duly elected magistrates from one of the civil districts consolidated to make Civil District No. 3 as herein provided, are hereby designated as magistrates for said Civil District 3; and duly elected constable for one of the civil districts merged to make Civil District No. 3 is hereby designated as constable of said district. Civil Districts 9, 13 and 10 as now constituted shall comprise Civil District No. 4 of said county. Leo Atkins and Ed Wagoner, duly elected magistrates from civil districts merged to constitute Civil District No. 4 are hereby designated as magistrates and duly elected constable, is hereby designated as constable. Civil Districts 4, 5 and 6 as now constituted, shall comprise Civil District No. 5 of said county from and after the effective date of this Act. Roy Huggins, Thomas Jones and C. L. McCullar, all duly elected magistrates from one of the civil districts merged to constitute Civil District No. 5 are hereby designated as magistrates from said Civil District No. 5, it being , duly elected constable for the civil district containing the county town; and \_ one of the civil districts merged to make Civil District No. 5, is hereby designated as constable. Civil Districts 1, 18 and 14 as now constituted are hereby merged and shall constitute from and after the effective date of this Act, Civil District No. 6 of said county. R. L. Wilmeth and W. G. Minton, both duly elected magistrates from part of the territory included in Civil District No. 6 as herein constituted, are hereby designated as magistrates for said Civil District No. 6 and elected constable from one of the civil districts included in said Civil District No. 6 as herein constituted, as designated as constable therefor. **SECTION 2.** That from and after the effective date of this Act, the office of justice of the peace in each of the incorporated towns contained in McNairy County be and the same is hereby abolished and for naught held.

**SECTION 3**. That this Act shall take effect from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it. Passed: February 21, 1939.

**COMPILER'S NOTE**: See Swaim v. Smith and McNairy County v. Smith, 174 Tenn. 688, 130 S.W.2d 116 (1939), wherein the court upheld the constitutionality of this act.

## Private Acts of 1943 Chapter 439

**SECTION 1**. That the term "Old Civil District" shall mean the civil districts of McNairy County, Tennessee, as constituted prior to the enactment of Chapter No. 281, of the Private Acts of 1939.

**SECTION 2.** That the Old Civil Districts 17 and 3 be removed from the territory of Civil District No. 2 and that such removed territory shall compose a new Civil District which shall be Civil District No. 7, and Arlis Garner and John Ward, are hereby appointed to fill the newly created offices of Justice of the Peace for said Civil District No. 7. Albert Lott is hereby designated as Constable for Civil District No. 7.

**SECTION 3.** That the territory included in the Old Civil District No. 4 shall be removed from Civil District No. 5 of said County, and the territory of said Old Civil District No. 4 shall be added to and become a part of Civil District No. 6 of said County. G. W. Hall is hereby designated to fill the vacancy in the office of Justice of the Peace in said Civil District No. 5, and the Constable will remain as at present.

**SECTION 4.** That Old Civil Districts 1 and 18 shall be removed from the territory composing Civil District No. 6 and such territory so removed shall constitute a new Civil District to be known as Civil District No. 8 of said County. W. R. Steadman and R. L. Wilmeth are hereby designated to fill the vacancies in the office

of Justice of the Peace in said Civil District No. 8. Norris Bodiford is hereby designated as Constable for said Civil District No. 8.

**SECTION 5.** That Earl Jones is hereby designated as Justice of the Peace to fill the vacancy created by changing the territory constituting Civil District No. 6 of said County.

**SECTION 6.** That this Act shall take effect from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it. Passed: February 9, 1943.

### Private Acts of 1949 Chapter 347

WHEREAS, By Chapter 281 of the Private Acts of 1939, the old Civil Districts of McNairy County, Tennessee, were so changed as to consolidate a number of the same and to create new districts, and by Chapter No. 439 of the Private Acts of 1943, certain other changes were made and new Civil Districts created, and it has become necessary and material to create out of certain of the Civil Districts as fixed by said Chapter No. 281, new Civil Districts;

**SECTION 1.** That Civil District No. 1, as now composed of old Civil Districts, Nos. 7, 8, 11, and 16, be so changed as that all of the territory embraced and included in old Civil Districts Nos. 11 and 16, shall be and constitute under this Act, Civil District No. 1, and that old Districts Nos. 7 and 8, as they existed and were at the time of the enactment of said Chapter No. 281, will be removed from District No. 1, provided by said Act, and here created into a new District, designated as District(sic), designated as District No. 10.

**SECTION 2.** That M. C. Eithridge and C. S. Treech be, and they are hereby appointed to fill the offices of Justice of the Peace in said District No. 1, as created by this Act, and that J. O. Mitchell and J. L. Tacker are hereby appointed as Justices of the Peace for said District No. 10, as created and established by this Act.

**SECTION 3.** That whereas, Civil District No. 4 as now existing is composed of old Civil Districts numbers 9, 10 and 13, and that whereas, Civil District No. 5 as now existing is composed of old Civil Districts Nos. 5 and 6.

**SECTION 4.** That out of said existing Civil Districts Nos. 4 and 5, old Civil Districts Nos. 5 and 9 shall be removed and shall from and after the effective date of this Act be known as a new Civil District No. 9; and that old Civil Districts Nos. 10 and 13 as they existed at the time of the enactment of said Chapter 281 shall be and they are made into a new Civil District to be known as District No. 4; and that all the territory formerly included in old Civil District No. 6 as it existed and was at the time of the enactment of Chapter 281 shall be and the same shall constitute the boundaries of a Civil District created under this Act known as District No. 5.

**SECTION 5**. That whereas, Civil District No. 3 as now existing is made up of old Civil Districts Nos. 15 and 12 as they were laid out at the enactment of Chapter 281 of the Private Acts of 1939.

**SECTION 6.** That all of the territory of old Civil District No. 12 as laid out at the time of the enactment of said Chapter 281 shall be and the same is separated from Civil District No. 3 and a new Civil District is created therefrom to be known as Civil District No. 12; and Civil District No. 3, from the effective date of this Act, shall include only the territory included in old Civil District No. 15.

**SECTION 7**. That whereas, at present Civil District No. 2 is now composed of the territory included in Civil Districts Nos. 2 and 19.

**SECTION 8.** That all of old Civil District No. 19 is separated from District No. 2 and the same shall constitute a new Civil District known as Civil District No. 11, leaving the area of Civil District No. 2 the same as old Civil District No. 2.

**SECTION 9.** That the following are designated Justices of the Peace of the new Civil Districts as shown after their names in the following list:

Eldridge Howard and Roy Huggins -- District No. 9.

Otis Plunk and Wilbur Robinson -- District No. 11.

Irwin Cagle and R. E. Wade -- District No. 12.

J. P. Whitley and M. B. Melton, presently Justices of the Peace, shall be Justices of the Peace for Civil District No. 4 as created by this Act.

SECTION 10. That this Act shall take effect from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

Passed: March 23, 1949.

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