



Criminal Court Clerk Communication

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CLERK'S CORNER

Crime Victims' Rights Week

Since 1981, National Crime Victims' Rights Week is commemorated every year in April. This week is dedicated to learning about victimization, the effect victimization has on individuals, families, friends and the community, and to promote laws, policies and programs to help victims of crime, for which I am all too familiar.

I started my journey with Shelby County Government in 2001 as the Executive Director of the Crime Victims' Center (CVC). The Crime Victims' Center is a comprehensive victim services agency that serves all victims of crime with dignity and respect. The Center has now grown to include the Rape Crisis Center and continues to strive to be an organization that provides counseling, advocacy, resources, and education to those victimized, directly and indirectly, by crime and violence within our community. After seven years at the CVC, I was promoted to the position of Deputy Director of Community Services, overseeing all Victim and Offender services. My experience serving victims of crime and their families gave me a different perspective while in this position, especially with being over Pre-Trial Services, which included Probation and Parole.

Fourteen years later and still within Shelby County Government as the Criminal Court Clerk, I value my experience working with victims and offenders. I know it has afforded me an opportunity to see and understand different aspects of crime and I truly believe we need justice reform for victims and offenders.

However, April is about supporting and assisting crime victims with their healing. Victim support can come in many forms such as marches, tree-planting ceremonies, walks, dinners, fundraisers, etc. So, during the month of April, especially during Crime Victims Rights' Week, April 24-30, 2022, consider helping to rebuild lives through empathy, advocacy and support. Should you be a victim of a crime and need assistance, please contact the Shelby County Crime Victims & Rape Crisis Center at (901) 222-3950.

Contact Us

Address
201 Poplar Avenue
Suite 3034
Memphis, TN 38103

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901-222-3200

Hours of Operation
Monday - Friday
8:00 am - 4:30 pm

Quick Links

- [Criminal Court Case Information](#)
- [Tennessee Supreme Court](#)
- [United States Supreme Court](#)
- [Access to Justice - Justice for All website \(Self-Represented Litigant Resources\)](#)
- [Court Interpreters \(Foreign Language\)](#)
- [Forms on a variety of legal matters](#)
- [Interpreters for Deaf and Hard of Hearing and ADA policy](#)
- [Tennessee Code online](#)
- [Tennessee Judges and Clerks for all 95 counties](#)



EXPUNGEMENT CLINIC & JOB FAIR

Exciting News!! The Criminal Court Clerk's Office will host an Expungement Clinic on April 23, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. at Southwest Tennessee Community College Verties Sails Gymnasium, located at 737 Union Avenue. We will have General Sessions Court Clerk's Office and the City of Memphis Drive While You Pray Program. Also, FedEx Express, Kroger and American Job Center will be on-site for employment opportunities. Please see flyer for further details.

GETTING TO KNOW - LAVERNE JONES



Ms. Laverne Jones began her career with the Criminal Court Clerk's Office in February 2018. She says "I love my job!" Ms. Jones is no stranger to working for the Shelby County Government. She started working for the local government in March 2016, in General Sessions Court Clerk's Office as a Deputy Court Clerk.

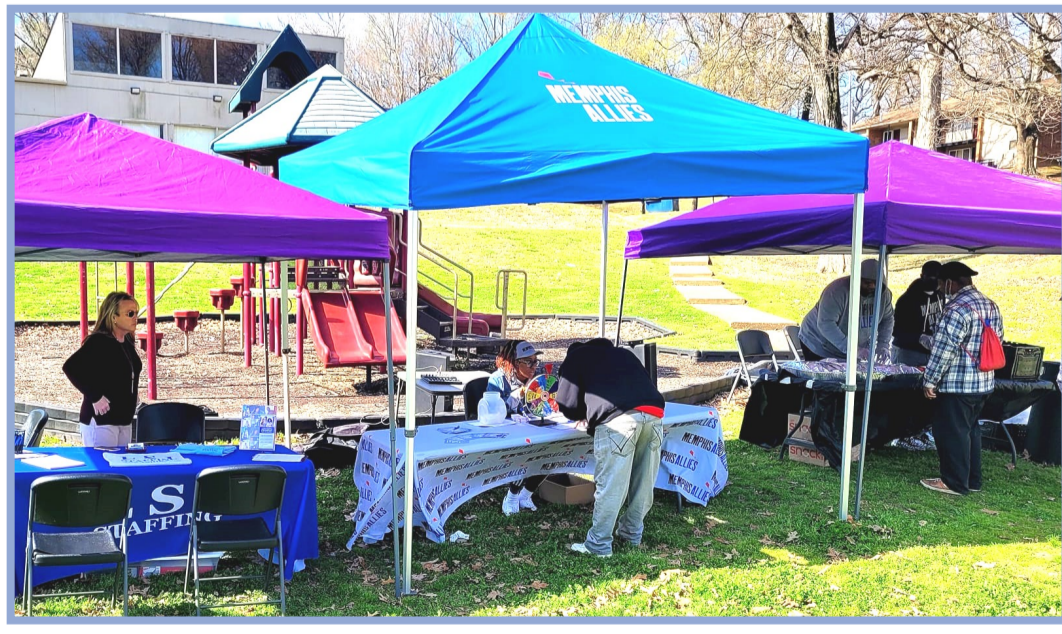
In her free time, Ms. Jones enjoys her daily walks, healthy eating, and gardening.

Ms. Jones is an avid traveler. She regularly flies to see her daughter and grandchildren who live in Atlanta, Georgia.

One of Ms. Jones' passions is to cruise! She loves to ship to beautiful ports of call in the Caribbean, such as Cozumel and Costa Maya. She says, "My number one favorite trip was to Cuba. I had a great time meeting new people, eating authentic cuisine, and seeing the fabulous old cars!" Ms. Jones is excited that her next cruises will be to the Panama Canal and to Alaska. Bon Voyage!

NEIGHBORHOOD CHRISTIAN CENTER EVENT

Thanks to Neighborhood Christian Center and Memphis Allies for inviting the Criminal Court Clerk's Office to be a part of the community event at the Ridgecrest apartments.



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