

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MONROE COUNTY, TENNESSEE BAR ASSOCIATION
IN OPPOSITION TO REDISTRICTING
MONROE COUNTY OUT OF THE 10TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT**

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated section 16-1-119 required establishment of an Advisory Task Force of eleven members appointed jointly by the Speaker of the Senate and Speaker of the House to review the composition of Tennessee's current judicial districts; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Monroe County, Tennessee deserve access to justice and would be negatively affected by any judicial redistricting that reduces the number of judges available to serve the citizens of Monroe County and increases the burden on indigent litigants to access to counsel and the courts; and

WHEREAS, the Monroe County Bar Association, an association comprised of attorneys who practice in the Monroe County courts, unanimously oppose any redistricting that would reduce the number of judges available to serve the citizens of Monroe County and increase the burden of indigent litigants to access to counsel and the courts by placing Monroe County in a judicial district outside the 10th Judicial District;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the members of the Monroe County Bar Association that the Monroe County Bar Association opposes any redistricting that would move Monroe County out of the 10th Judicial District and reduce the number of judges available to serve the citizens of Monroe County and increase the burden of indigent litigants to access to counsel and the courts; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be distributed to the eleven members of the Advisory Task Force and to all State Representatives and State Senators representing constituents in the Tenth Judicial District of Tennessee; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that a true copy of this Resolution be spread upon its minutes.

MONROE COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION
BOB JOLLEY, President

PASSED 5/17/19

By: 
STEPHEN HATCHETT, Secretary