**Governor**

**If you wish to run for Governor what requirements must you meet?**

* **He/she is elected for a \_\_\_\_\_\_ year term.**
* **May be reelected only \_\_\_\_\_\_ time.**

***Is the Commander-in-chief of the Mississippi National* *Guard***

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**What is a *Pardon*?**

**What is a *reprieve*?**

**When would one issue a *reprieve*?**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ was the first form of execution used in Mississippi.** **The state continued to execute prisoners sentenced to die by hanging until October 11, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

**On October 11, 1940, when Hilton Fortenberry, convicted of capital murder in Jefferson Davis County, became the first prisoner to be executed in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.  Between 1940 and February 5, 1952, the old oak electric chair was moved from county to county to conduct executions.  During the 12-year span, 75 prisoners were executed in the Magnolia State for offenses punishable by death.**

**Other Elected State Offices**

**1**

**2**

**3**

**4**

**Appointed Offices**

**State Board of Education**

**Mississippi Court System**

**What are the 2 Systems?**

**What is jurisdiction?**

**What is original jurisdiction?**

**What is appellate jurisdiction?**

**What is the highest court in Mississippi?**

**Justices are elected for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ year terms.** **Justices usually hear cases in \_\_\_\_\_ person panels.**

**What are the requirements to run for justices of the Mississippi Supreme Court?**

**In 1992, Mississippi Supreme Court was averaging 981 days from the lower court’s judgment and the Supreme Court’s decision. To ease the workload, what court was created by the legislature?**

**The Court of Appeals is a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ court. It hears and decides appeals on issues in which the law is already settled, but the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ are in dispute. Court of Appeals has a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ day deadline to issue a decision.**

**Appeals which go directly to the Supreme Court include annexations, bond issues, constitutionality challenges, death penalty cases, disciplinary matters involving attorneys and judges, election contests, certified questions from federal court, utility rates, cases of first impression and issues of broad public interest. Supreme Court now has \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_day deadline to issue a decision.**

**There are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Circuit Court districts and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Circuit Court judges. The number of Circuit
Judges per district ranges from 1 to 4.**

**Circuit Courts hear \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ criminal prosecutions and civil lawsuits.**

**What is a felony?**

**Trials are heard with a 12-member jury and usually one or two alternate jurors.**

**There are \_\_\_\_ Chancery Court districts and \_\_\_\_ Chancery Court judges. The number of chancery judges per district ranges from 1 to 4. Chancery Courts have jurisdiction over disputes in matters involving equity; domestic matters including adoptions, custody disputes and divorces; guardianships; sanity hearings; wills; and challenges to constitutionality of state laws. Land records are filed in Chancery Court.** **Chancery Courts have jurisdiction over \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ matters in counties which have no County Court.**

**Mississippi has \_\_\_\_ County Courts and \_\_\_\_ County Court judges.**

**The Youth Courts deal with matters involving abuse and neglect of juveniles, as well as offenses committed by juveniles.** **In counties which do not have a County Court, the Chancery Judge may hear Youth Court matters.**

**Justice Courts have jurisdiction over small claims civil cases involving amounts of $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or less, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ criminal cases and any \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ offense that occurs outside a municipality.**

**There are \_\_\_\_ Justice Courts with \_\_\_\_ judges. Justice Court judges are the only Mississippi judges elected in partisan races.**

**What is the requirement to run for this office?**

**There are 226 Municipal Courts. Most municipalities have one municipal judge, although a few jurisdictions have several.** **Most municipal judges are appointed by governing bodies of municipalities. Must be attorneys living within the city limits. In towns of less than 10,000 people, the mayor may serve as municipal judge.**

**The major sources of revenue for the state government are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ taxes.**

**The income tax is a progressive tax; the more a person \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, the more a person pays in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

**Tobacco and Alcoholic Tax is called the “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”. Most of the money from these taxes goes into the state’s general fund, which is used to pay the state’s general expenses. The major general fund expense for the state is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

***Designated Taxes***

**Money from \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ taxes (gasoline, kerosene, and motor oil) must be used for highway construction and maintenance.**