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Megan C. Thornberry Appointed Chair
of the Kansas City Board Of Election Commissioners

(Kansas City, MO) --- Governor Jeremiah “Jay” Nixon has appointed Megan C. Thornberry to serve as chair of the Kansas City Board of Election Commissioners. Ms. Thornberry was sworn in at the agency’s October board meeting. A lifelong Democrat, Thornberry is a former trial attorney at Walters Bender Strohbehn & Vaughan, P.C. She currently serves as President/CEO of American World Forwarders, Inc., a family business that provides moving services for the personal belongings of military men and women throughout the world.

Ms. Thornberry holds a bachelor’s degree from Denison University and the Juris Doctorate from the School of Law at the University of Missouri Kansas City. In 2004 she was named “Young Lawyer of the Year” by the Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association, and was recognized as a Top 10 Lawyer by *Missouri Lawyers Weekly*. A former president of the Association of Women Lawyers, Thornberry also serves on the advisory counsel for The Kansas City Academy and is a member of the Greater Kansas City Women’s Political Caucus.

Married to Steve Thornberry, Megan is the mother of Ellie, 5 and Topher, 3. They reside in Kansas City’s Brookside neighborhood.

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