



F202600026

BAXTER CO, AR FEE \$0.00

PRESENTED: 05-06-2026 08:51:48 AM

RECORDED: 05-06-2026 08:51:48 AM

CANDA REESE

CIRCUIT CLERK

BY: LISA PEMBERTON

DEPUTY

ORDINANCE NO. 2026 - 16

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF BAXTER, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:

ORDINANCE  
2 Pages

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH THE RATE OF PAY AND REIMBURSEMENT FOR JURY SERVICE; TO ASSIGN RESPONSIBILITY FOR APPLYING FOR REIMBURSEMENT FROM THE STATE; AND OTHER PURPOSES.

**Article 1. Legislative Intent:** Pursuant to the requirements of Act 1033 of 2007, codified as A.C.A. §§ 16-34-101, et seq., and in order to qualify for reimbursement from the State of Arkansas for a portion of said jury costs, the Baxter County Quorum Court hereby establishes the following minimum requirements necessary for compensation as jurors and corresponding rates of compensation for service as jurors or prospective jurors in Baxter County, Arkansas:

- a. The person must have received official notice that he or she has been selected as a prospective juror and summoned to appear;
- b. The person must actually appear at the location which they were summoned;
- c. And their attendance must be noted in writing by the circuit clerk.

**Article 2. Rates of Compensation:** The following rates of compensation are established for jury services in Baxter County, Arkansas:

- a. Persons who are selected and seated as a member of the jury including alternates shall be compensated at the rate of \$50.00 per day; and
- b. Persons who are summoned and appear but who are not selected and seated as a member of the jury shall be compensated at the rate of \$25.00 per day; and
- c. Persons summoned for jury services but who fail, for any reason, to attend court shall not be entitled to receive compensation.

**Article 3. State Reimbursement Procedure and Responsibility Assignment:** Pursuant to A.C.A § 16-34-106, the Circuit Clerk of Baxter County, Arkansas shall be responsible for remitting, in a timely manner, all documentation required by the Administrative Office of the Courts in order to receive reimbursement for the jury cost incurred under A.C.A. § 16-34-103 (b) and Article 2 of this Ordinance.

**Article 4. Repealer:** All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed. If any provision of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or application of the ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are declared severable.

**Article 5. Emergency Clause and Effective Date:** It is hereby ascertained and declared that this Ordinance must be adopted to establish the rate of compensation for jury service in Baxter County and to assign responsibility for applying for State reimbursement. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared, and this ordinance is adopted to comply with the provisions of ACA 16-34-101 et seq and shall be effective as of July 1, 2026.

APPROVED:

*Kevin Litty*

\_\_\_\_\_  
KEVIN LITTY, COUNTY JUDGE

Date Signed: 5-5-26

ATTEST:

*Canda Reese*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
CANDA J. REESE, COUNTY CLERK

SPONSOR: Personnel Committee & Budget Committee

Date Adopted: 05/05/2026

Votes: For: 9 Against: 0

Abstain: 0 Present: 0 Absent: 2