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**THE STORY OF MADISON COUNTY AND  
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The office of Probate Judge is known by various names over the nation, including such names as District Court, Superior Court, Ordinary Court and Surrogate Court.

Probate Judges have been:

1850-1853	Otey, John W. (died)
1853	Echols, William
1853-1859	Hammond, Ferdinand
1859-1863	Scruggs, James H.
1863-1866	Wilson, Robert D.
1866-1868	Scruggs, James H.
1868-1874	Douglass, Lewis M.
1874-1875	Spragins, Robert Stith (died)
1875-1886	Richardson, William
1886-1894	Taylor, Thomas Jones
1894-1896	Rice, Dr. Francisco
1896-1904	Stewart, S. Morgan
1904-1916	Lawler, W. T. (Murdered)
1916-1917	McDonnell, Archibald
1917-1935	Jones, Thomas W.
1935-1941	Butler, W. E.
1941-1953	Jones, Thomas W.
1953-1971	Todd, Ashford
1971-1983	Green, Myrtle
1983-2001	Riddick, Frank H.
2001-2012	Ragland, Tommy