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ORDINANCE NO. 2019-03

GERAL HARRISON  
COUNTY & CIRCUIT CLERK  
GRANT COUNTY, AR  
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AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE POSSESSION OF A HANDGUN ON COUNTY  
COURTHOUSE GROUNDS BY CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS

WHEREAS, the Quorum Court of Grant County affirms the right to keep and bear arms recognized by the Second Amendment of the US Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the 90<sup>th</sup> General Assembly of the State of Arkansas passed Act 1259 of 2015 to allow certain individuals to carry a concealed handgun on county property; and

WHEREAS, the Quorum Court of Grant County desires to facilitate each (courthouse) employee's ability to defend themselves when necessary;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF  
GRANT COUNTY, ARKANSAS:

**SECTION 1:** Any Grant County employee whose principal place of employment is the Grant County courthouse or elected official who is licensed to carry a concealed handgun and has an enhanced endorsement is hereby allowed to carry the type of weapon named on the license on courthouse property as specified in Act 1259 of 2015.

**SECTION 2:** The licensed employee must register their intent to carry with the Grant County Courthouse Security Committee through the County Judge's office.

**SECTION 3:** The licensed employee who chooses to carry a firearm pursuant to Act 1259 and this ordinance shall maintain concealed possession of the firearm on their person or locked in a secure location at all times while on courthouse grounds.

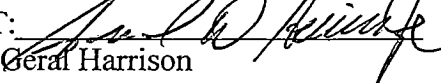
**SECTION 4:** The licensed employee is prohibited from carrying a weapon in a detention facility, in an office of the Sheriff's Department, in the Grant County Justice Complex, or in any courtroom without permission from the presiding judge.

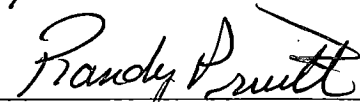
**SECTION 5:** The Grant County Courthouse Security Committee reserves the right to require additional evaluation of competency and may prohibit any employee from carrying a concealed firearm until competency is determined.

**SECTION 6:** The language of Sections 1 through 5 of this ordinance shall be incorporated into the Grant County Personnel Manual and the Security and Emergency Preparedness Plan upon passage.

DATED: 7/16/2019

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ATTEST:   
GERAL HARRISON  
Grant County Clerk

APPROVED:   
Randy Pruitt  
Grant County Judge