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At the October 16, 2001 meeting of the Missouri Ethics Commission, your request for an opinion was discussed. The following is the Commission's response to your question:

Can my sister continue to work in the assessor's office after I have assumed the position of county assessor?

From the information presented, it is the Commission's opinion that your sister may continue in her present position. If the law requires you, after your election, to reappoint employees, this reappointment would be a violation of the nepotism clause of the Missouri Constitution.

Sincerely,


Charles G. Lamb, Ph.D.
Executive Director

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