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Family and friends gathered inside the courtroom where Judge Brackett administered the oaths, taking pictures and providing moral support for the year ahead.



Lamar Paris took his oath of office standing next to Dinah Paris, his wife, on Friday, Dec. 23. With the start of his fifth term in 2017, Commissioner Paris becomes the longest serving commissioner in Union County history



Cindy Odom took her oath of office standing next to her husband, Tim Odom, on Friday, Dec. 23.



All three of Janna Akins' children held the bible she used during the swearing-in ceremony at the Union County Courthouse on Friday, Dec. 23. The bible belongs to Union County Manager Larry Garrett.