

Magistrate Michael Hamper III joined the Ashtabula County Court of Common Pleas Probate Division on March 1, 2021 after 6 years of private practice in Jefferson, Ohio working predominantly on probate, real estate, and municipal matters. Joining the Court was an exciting step as Michael has found great joy helping people throughout his career deal with the often overwhelming and emotional process of handling estates and guardianships. In his time with the Court, Michael has helped Judge Camplese and the Court staff perform a review and update of probate processes and procedures in an effort to modernize the Court, improve efficiency, and begin to remove some of the mystery of probate.



Michael is a lifelong resident of Ashtabula County and a proud graduate of Jefferson Area High School (2007) and Ohio Northern University (B.A. 2011, J.D. 2014). He is married to Carmen Hamper and together they have a son, Todd Brooklyn, two dogs, Caspian and Maisy, and are licensed foster parents.

Michael is a 2017 graduate of the Leadership Ashtabula County Signature Program and is a member of the Ohio State Bar Association, Ashtabula County Bar Association, Ohio Association of Magistrates, Leadership Ashtabula County Board of Trustees, and Ashtabula Arts Center Board.