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OPINION 00-231

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Service District Commission, other than the initial
members, is six years.

Dear Mr. Cannon:

You have submitted the following legal inquiry to this office:

What is the term of office of the members of the Madison Parish Hospital
Service District Commission who are appointed after the initial members
of the Madison Parish Hospital Service District Commission?

R.S. 46:1053 pertinently provides:

§ 1053 Commission; qualification of members; appointment; vacancies;
compensation; removal of commissioners; certain powers

A. Any hospital service district formed or created under the provision of
this Chapter shall be governed by a board of five commissioners,
hereafter referred to as commission, who shall be qualified voters and
residents of the district. The commission shall be appointed by the
police jury of the parish. Two of the first commissioners so appointed
shall serve for two years, two for four years and one for six years.

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C. (1)(a) At the expiration of their respective terms of office, the
successors to such appointees shall be appointed within thirty days for
six-year terms. The police juries shall fill vacancies in the same
manner as the predecessor appointees were selected.

Based on the foregoing statutory authority, we conclude that the term of the members of
the Madison Parish Hospital Service District Commission, other than the initial
members, is six years.

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Enclosed are Attorney General Opinions 92-13 and 87-407 which may prove of interest to you.

Very truly yours,

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