OUACHITA COUNTY COMMUNITY PROFILE

Ouachita County had an estimated population of 25,002 persons in 2013. The county has a total area of 740 square miles. Landscape of the county is rolling hills and is largely forested.

Ouachita County was formed in November 1842, from part of Union County and named for the river running through it. In the Choctaw language, the words "owa" and "chita" mean "big hunt." From that came Ouachita. It was the river that enticed a French trapper to establish a trading post that would become Camden, the county seat. Once heavy steamboat traffic linked Camden directly to New Orleans and other important cities. The county's economy is about half-timber and half manufacturing with some tourism. Outdoor recreation abounds with hunting, fishing and water sports.

The Ouachita County Courthouse has the cornerstone from the 1889 courthouse in the base for a planter in front of the entrance to the present building. The cornerstone refers to the original edifice as "this temple of justice." Also on the lawn is a statue of a woman carrying a flag, erected as a monument to Confederate women, and a Spanish-American War marker.

The County elects a County Judge as its chief executive officer and a Quorum Court of 11 members as its legislative body.

COUNTY OFFICIALS

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For property record searches, go to [https://www.actdatascout.com/State/AR/Ouachita](https://www.actdatascout.com/State/AR/Ouachita)

**County Coroner**  
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**Justice of the Peace**  
Harry Brown

**Justice of the Peace**  
Raymond Furlow

**Justice of the Peace**  
Doris Grissom
Justice of the Peace
Shirley A. Hodges

Justice of the Peace
Charlotte Young

Justice of the Peace
Fred Lilly

Justice of the Peace
James Manley

Justice of the Peace
Allen Russell

Justice of the Peace
Dennis Truelove

Justice of the Peace
Dale Vaughan

Justice of the Peace
Jerry West