

Rule 1701

LANGUAGE ACCESS COMMITTEE

- (a) **Purpose.** A language access committee is established to make recommendations to the Supreme Court regarding the development and administration of a comprehensive language access program. The goal of the program is to further accessibility to the Kansas courts by persons with limited English proficiency.
- (b) **Membership.** The committee is composed of not more than 12 members.
- (c) **Appointment.** The Supreme Court appoints the committee members.
- (d) **Terms.** The terms of the inaugural members of the committee will be staggered. At the expiration of each inaugural member's term, the term of each succeeding member will be 3 years. No member of the committee will be eligible for more than two consecutive 3-year terms. A member appointed to complete an unexpired term will be eligible to serve two more consecutive 3-year terms. A member is eligible for one or more additional terms after a break in service.
- (e) **OJA Representative and Liaison Justice.**
 - (1) In addition to the members described in subsection (b):
 - (A) there will be a permanent, nonvoting seat on the committee for a representative of the Office of Judicial Administration; and
 - (B) the chief justice of the Supreme Court will designate a liaison justice to the committee.
 - (2) The persons serving on the committee under paragraph (e)(1) are not subject to a term limit under subsection (d).

[History: New rule adopted effective May 2, 2014; Am. effective July 1, 2016; Am. effective June 11, 2019.]