

2023 Kansas Statutes

20-170. Clerk; duty to maintain roster of attorneys; eligibility to nominate or cast ballots for supreme court nominating commission; transmission of roster to secretary of state; open record.

(a) The clerk of the supreme court shall maintain in the clerk's office a roster of attorneys licensed to practice law in Kansas. Such roster shall include the information enumerated in K.S.A. 25-2309(b)(1) through (5), and amendments thereto, the congressional district of residence and the judicial district of residence for each person licensed to practice law in Kansas. Whenever any person licensed to practice law in Kansas moves from the residential address listed for such person on such roster, or when the name of any such person is changed by marriage or otherwise, such person, within 10 days thereafter, shall notify the clerk of the supreme court in writing of such person's old and new residential addresses or of such person's former and new names.

(b) Each person on the roster of attorneys licensed to practice law in Kansas on the effective date of this act, and for whom the information enumerated in K.S.A. 25-2309(b)(1) through (5), and amendments thereto, is not correct on such roster on the effective date of this act, shall provide the information enumerated in K.S.A. 25-2309(b)(1) through (5), and amendments thereto, in writing to the clerk of the supreme court within 60 days after the effective date of this act. The clerk of the supreme court, within 30 days after the effective date of this act, shall send notice to all persons listed on the roster of attorneys licensed to practice law in Kansas on the effective date of this act, that such persons are required by law to provide the information enumerated in K.S.A. 25-2309(b)(1) through (5), and amendments thereto, in writing to the clerk of the supreme court within 60 days of the effective date of this act.

(c) Only attorneys licensed to practice law in Kansas and residing in Kansas on or before the 15th day of February preceding the selection of the chairperson of the supreme court nominating commission as provided in K.S.A. 20-119, and amendments thereto, and only attorneys so licensed and residing in the congressional district on or before the 15th day of February preceding the selection of the members of the supreme court nominating commission to be chosen from among the members of the bar of such congressional district as provided in K.S.A. 20-120, and amendments thereto, and, in either event, only attorneys for whom the roster of attorneys licensed to practice law in Kansas contains the information enumerated in K.S.A. 25-2309(b)(1) through (5), and amendments thereto, shall be entitled to make nominations or receive and cast ballots in such selections.

(d) (1) On or before the 20th day of February preceding the selection of a chairperson of the supreme court nominating commission, the clerk of the supreme court shall transmit a certified copy of the roster of attorneys licensed to practice law in Kansas to the secretary of state. Such certified copy shall include the information enumerated in K.S.A. 25-2309(b)(1) through (5), and amendments thereto, for each person listed on the roster and having a residential address within Kansas as of the preceding 15th day of February.

(2) On or before the 20th day of February preceding the selection of a member of the supreme court nominating commission to be chosen from among the members of the bar of a congressional district, the clerk of the supreme court shall transmit a certified copy of the roster of attorneys licensed to practice law in Kansas to the secretary of state. Such certified copy shall include the information enumerated in K.S.A. 25-2309(b)(1) through (5), and amendments thereto, for each person listed on the roster and having a residential address within the congressional district as of the preceding 15th day of February.

(3) The certified copy of the roster shall be transmitted in a format prescribed by the secretary of state. Upon receipt of such certified roster, the secretary of state shall append thereto the unique voter identification number for each person listed on the roster having such a number, as contained in the centralized voter registration database described in K.S.A. 25-2304, and amendments thereto.

(e) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the names, residential addresses, dates of birth, unique voter identification numbers and dates of licensure to practice

law in Kansas of all persons listed on the certified roster of attorneys licensed to practice law in Kansas created pursuant to subsection (d), including the information as appended to the roster pursuant to subsection (d), shall be disclosed upon proper request submitted to the clerk of the supreme court or to the secretary of state pursuant to the open records act, K.S.A. 45-215 et seq., and amendments thereto.

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