

**24-659. Same; contents of petition; form; map.** Said petition shall set forth: (1) The proposed name of the district, which name shall end with the words "joint drainage district number \_\_\_\_." It shall be the duty of the secretary of state to assign a number to each such district in the order in which petitions for their organization are received in his or her office.

(2) A description of the lands to be included within the proposed district, identified by section numbers and fractions thereof, and other platted areas as appropriate.

(3) A statement of the purposes for which the district is to be organized.

(4) A statement that the board of directors of the district shall consist of not less than three members giving the names and addresses of the persons who will constitute the original steering committee.

(5) Any other matter deemed essential.

(6) A prayer for the organization of the district as a nonprofit corporation.

A map showing the lands to be included in the district, prepared in consultation with the chief engineer, shall be attached to the petition as an exhibit and incorporated therein by reference. The petition shall be in substantially the following form:

BEFORE THE SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

In the Matter of \_\_\_\_\_ Joint Drainage District Number \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ counties, Kansas.

PETITION

Come now the undersigned persons and state that they are landowners within the proposed boundaries of the aforementioned drainage district, hereinafter more fully described, and that each signer states that his respective post-office address is set forth beside his name. That the purposes for which this district is organized are (state purposes). That a steering committee for the organization of the district is hereby fixed and constituted with not less than three members; that the names of persons who will serve on the original steering committee, of which the first named shall be acting chairman, and their respective addresses are as follows:

(List names and addresses.)

The governing body of the district shall be constituted in a board of directors composed of not less than three qualified voters.

That attached hereto, marked Exhibit A and made a part hereof as fully as if set forth herein, is a map showing the lands proposed to be included in the district.

That the lands proposed to be included in said district are described as follows:

(Description of lands.)

That the lands proposed to be included in said district do not embrace the territorial limits of any incorporated city, or any part thereof, except those specifically described in the petition.

Wherefore, the undersigned, individually and collectively, pray that a joint drainage district be organized in the manner provided by law, for the purposes set forth herein, and that the secretary of state and the chief engineer of the division of water resources of the Kansas department of agriculture proceed diligently in the performance of their duties so that the organization of this proposed district may be completed and approved at the earliest possible time.

Submitted to the secretary of state this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_.

**History:** L. 1963, ch. 225, § 4; L. 1976, ch. 174, § 2; L. 2004, ch. 101, § 72; July 1.