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The citizens of Kansas are currently engaged in a debate over their state courts. The state's process for selecting judges has come under scrutiny, with critics arguing that the current judicial selection process is too lawyer-dominated and supporters responding that it is the best process for depoliticizing judicial selection.

As in other states which employ some version of the Missouri Plan, the Kansas debate has focused considerable attention on the role of the commissioners who nominate judges. In an effort to increase dialogue about state court jurisprudence and state judicial selection, the Federalist Society has published this brief study of the historical composition of the Kansas judicial selection commission.

Whether initiated by state legislatures or through litigation, a number of state judicial selection systems based on the Missouri Plan are now the subjects of intense debates, ranging from merely changing the composition of a nominating commission to completely altering the method of judicial selection. It is our hope that this study will contribute to that ongoing dialogue in Kansas and elsewhere.

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YEARS ON THE COMMISSION: 1992 – 1993 (First District Lawyer)
AREAS OF PRACTICE: Probate; Real Estate; Wills; Trusts and Estates; Business Law
ADMITTED: 1953, Kansas
LAW SCHOOL: Kansas University, J.D., 1953
COLLEGE: Northwestern University, B.S., 1950
MEMBER: Salina, Kansas (Secretary-Treasurer, 1977-1980) and American Bar Associations; Kansas Bar Foundation (President, 1987-1989)
BIOGRAPHY: Saline County Counselor, 1973-1988; Board of Governors, Kansas University Law Society, 1994-1997; Recipient: Professionalism Award, Kansas Bar Association, 1993; Distinguished Alumna Award from the University of Kansas Law School, 1996; Distinguished Service Award, Kansas Bar Association, 1997; Board of Directors, University of Kansas School of Law, 1993-1997
BORN: Grand Island, Nebraska, December 28, 1929
FIRM: Achterberg & Angell, Attorneys At Law (Salina, Kansas),
<http://www.achterbergangelllaw.com>

POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS:

Date of Contribution	Amount of Contribution	Candidate Receiving Contribution	Candidate's Political Party	Candidate's Office
11/26/2007	250.00	Moran, Jerry	R	House
3/26/2008	250.00	Moran, Jerry	R	House

THOMAS J. BATH

YEARS ON THE COMMISSION: 2000 – 2008 (Third District Lawyer)
ADMITTED: 1986, Kansas, Missouri, U.S. District Court, District of Kansas, U.S. District Court, Western District of Missouri and U.S. Court of Appeals, Tenth and Eighth Circuits; U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Missouri; U.S. Supreme Court
LAW SCHOOL: University of Kansas, J.D., 1986
COLLEGE: University of Kansas, B.G.S., 1983
MEMBER: Johnson County (Board of Directors, 1993-1998; Bar Foundation President, 1998-1999; Ethics & Grievance Committee, 2000 - present) and Kansas (Member, Board of Governors, 2002-2004) Bar Associations; National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers; American College of Trial Lawyers

BIOGRAPHY: 1992 Kansas Prosecutor of the Year; Listed in Best Lawyers of America; Johnson County District Attorney's Office, 1986-1992; Adjunct Professor of Law, University of Kansas, 1990-1995; Associate, 1992-1995 and Partner, 1996, Bryan Cave; Author: "Strategy in Defense of Criminal Cases," Chap. 23, Kansas Bar Association Criminal Handbook, 1996, 2003, 2006; Member, Kansas Supreme Court Nominating Commission, 2000 – present; Federal Criminal Justice Act Panel Representative for the District of Kansas, 2002-2004; Member, District of Kansas Federal CJA Nominating Panel, 2000 – present

BORN: Kansas, 1961

FIRM: Bath & Edmonds, P.A. (Overland Park, Kansas),
<http://www.bathedmonds.com>

POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS:

9/8/1998	500.00	Moore, Dennis W.	D	House
6/15/2003	300.00	Moore, Dennis W.	D	House
5/23/2004	350.00	Moore, Dennis W.	D	House

ARDEN J. BRADSHAW

YEARS ON THE COMMISSION: 1993 – 1997 (Fourth District Lawyer)

ADMITTED: 1969, Kansas and Minnesota

LAW SCHOOL: University of Kansas, J.D.

COLLEGE: Kansas State University, B.S.E.E.

FIRM: The Law Office of Arden J. Bradshaw (Wichita, Kansas)

POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS:

3/20/1998	500.00	Moore, Dennis W.	D	House
9/2/1998	500.00	Moore, Dennis W.	D	House
4/6/1999	1,000.00	Moore, Dennis W.	D	House
5/25/2000	500.00	Moore, Dennis W.	D	House
6/30/2000	500.00	Nolla, Carlos	D	House
7/28/2000	500.00	Nolla, Carlos	D	House
4/22/2001	1,000.00	Moore, Dennis W.	D	House
9/6/2002	500.00	Nolla, Carlos	D	House
7/10/2003	1,000.00	Moore, Dennis W.	D	House
12/12/2003	500.00	Boyda, Nance E.	D	House
3/17/2004	1,000.00	Boyda, Nance E.	D	House
3/22/2004	1,000.00	Kerry, John F.	D	President
6/10/2004	500.00	Boyda, Nance E.	D	House
10/20/2006	500.00	Boyda, Nance E.	D	House
8/19/2008	1,000.00	Boyda, Nance E.	D	House

JACK E. DALTON

YEARS ON THE COMMISSION: 1992 – 1993 (Chair)
BORN: Dodge City, Kansas
BIOGRAPHY: Kansas Bar Association (President); Supreme Court Nominating Committee (Chair); Kansas Guardianship Program (Board of Directors)
BIOGRAPHY: Kansas Bar Association Distinguished Service Award (1990); Kansas Bar Association Outstanding Service Award (1989)

POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS:

11/21/2007	200.00	McCain, John	R	President
1/22/2008	200.00	McCain, John	R	President

ROBERT C. FOULSTON

YEARS ON THE COMMISSION: 1985 – 1992 (Chair)
ADMITTED: 1972, Kansas
LAW SCHOOL: University of Kansas, J.D.
MEMBERSHIPS: Wichita, Kansas, and American Bar Associations; Kansas Supreme Court Nominating Commission (Chair); American College of Trial Lawyers
BIOGRAPHY: University of Kansas Distinguished Alumnus Citation (1983); Howard C. Kline Distinguished Service Award (1989); Wichita Chamber of Commerce (Director); Central National Bank Shares (Board of Directors); Friends of the Wichita Art Museum (Director); Wesley Retirement Community and Botanica; Wichita Club (President); Wichita Downtown Rotary Club (President)
DIED: March 11, 1992
FIRM: Managing Partner, Foulston Siefkin, L.L.P. (Wichita, Kansas), <http://www.foulston.com>

DENNIS L. GILLEN

YEARS ON THE COMMISSION: 1986 – 1993 (Fourth District Lawyer)
AREAS OF PRACTICE: Civil Litigation; Construction Law; Mediation and Arbitration
ADMITTED: 1972, Kansas
LAW SCHOOL: Washburn University, J.D., cum laude, 1972
COLLEGE: Washburn University, B.A., magna cum laude, 1969
MEMBERSHIPS: Wichita (Member, Board of Governors, 1979-1981; Vice President, 1982-1983), Kansas (Board of Governors, 1987-1992; Secretary-Treasurer, 1985-1986; Vice President, 1991-1992; President, 1993-1994), and American Bar Associations; Kansas Bar Foundation; National Health Lawyers Association

BIOGRAPHY: Phi Alpha Delta; Tau Delta Pi; Notes Editor, Washburn Law Journal, 1971-1972; Member, Kansas Supreme Court Nominating Commission, 1986-1993; Fellow, Kansas Bar Foundation; American Bar Foundation
BORN: Kingman, Kansas, August 2, 1947
FIRM: Depew, Gillen, Rathbun & McInteer (Wichita, Kansas),
<http://www.depewgillen.com>

POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS:

5/14/2008	500.00	Slattery, Bill	D	Senate
6/30/2008	250.00	Slattery, Bill	D	Senate
7/28/2008	250.00	McCain, John	R	President
8/26/2008	500.00	Slattery, Bill	D	Senate

LOWELL F. HAHN

YEARS ON THE COMMISSION: 1994 – 2002 (First District Lawyer)
ADMITTED: 1961, Kansas
LAW SCHOOL: Washburn University of Topeka, J.D.
COLLEGE: Washburn University of Topeka, B.A.
FIRM: Hahn and Hahn Lawyers, P.A. (Phillipsburg, Kansas)

MORRIS D. HILDRETH

YEARS ON THE COMMISSION: 1977 – 1987 (Fifth District Lawyer)
ADMITTED: Kansas
BIOGRAPHY: U.S. Army Reserve Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.); former Ottawa University Board of Trustees Chairman
FIRM: Becker, Hildreth & Gossard Law Firm (Coffeyville, Kansas)
DIED: October 12, 1998

RICHARD C. HITE

YEARS ON THE COMMISSION: 2001 – 2009 (Chair)
PRACTICE AREAS: Complex Business Litigation (35%); Complex Commercial Litigation (35%); Environmental Litigation; Oil and Gas Litigation (10%); Alternative Dispute Resolution (20%)
ADMITTED: 1953, Kansas
LAW SCHOOL: Washburn University, LL.B., 1953
COLLEGE: University of Kansas, B.S., 1950
MEMBER: Wichita (Board of Governors, 1991-1993), Kansas (Chairman, Litigation Section, 1972-1973; Chairman, Legislative Committee, 1983-1986;

Member, Board of Governors, 1986-1995), and American (State Delegate, 1986-1995) Bar Associations; Kansas Association of Defense Counsel (President, 1983-1984); Defense Research Institute; National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws (1975 – present, President 1993-1995)

BIOGRAPHY:

Chair, 2001 – present; Kansas Supreme Court Nominating Commission; Board of Directors, Via Christi Health System (1995-2007, Chairman 2001-2003); United Way of The Plains (President , 1980); Fellow, American College of Trial Lawyers (State Chairman, 1987-1988); American Bar Foundation

MILITARY:

Captain, United States Air Force JAG

BORN:

Iola, Kansas

FIRM:

Hite, Fanning & Honeyman, L.L.P. (Wichita, Kansas),
<http://www.hitefanning.com>

LYNN R. JOHNSON

YEARS ON THE COMMISSION:

1993 – 2001 (Chair)

PRACTICE AREAS:

Plaintiff's Personal Injury Law; Medical Malpractice; Products Liability Law; Automobile Accident; Environmental Law; Qui Tam Litigation

ADMITTED:

1970, Kansas; 1991, Missouri and U.S. Supreme Court

LAW SCHOOL:

Washburn University of Topeka, J.D., 1970

COLLEGE:

Kansas State University, B.S., 1967

MEMBER:

Kansas City Metropolitan, Wyandotte County (Board of Governors, 1975-1977), Johnson County, Kansas (Board of Editors, Kansas Bar Journal, 1977-1988), and American Bar Associations; The Missouri Bar; Kansas Trial Lawyers Association (Board of Governors, 1975 – present; President-Elect, 1977-1978; President, 1978-1979; Treasurer, 2000-2002; Recipient, Arthur C. Hodgson Award, 1999); Missouri Association of Trial Attorneys (Board of Governors, 2004 – present); The Association of Trial Lawyers in America (Board of Governors, 1987-1991); Washburn Law School Association (Member, Board of Governors, 1987-1998; President-Elect, 1992-1994; President, 1994-1996)

BIOGRAPHY:

Phi Alpha Delta (Marshall, 1968; Treasurer, 1969); Comments Editor, Washburn Law Journal, 1969-1970; Listed in “The Best Lawyers in America,” (Civil litigation), Woodward/White, 1987 – present; Chair, Kansas Supreme Court Nominating Commission, 1993-2001; Fellow, International Academy of Trial Lawyers; American College of Trial Lawyers; American Board of Trial Advocates; Inner Circle of Advocates

BORN:

Oberlin, Kansas, October 20, 1945

FIRM:

Shamberg, Johnson & Bergman, Chartered (Overland Park, Kansas),
<http://www.sjblaw.com>

POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS:

2/24/1997	2,000.00	American Association for Justice Political Action Committee (AAJ PAC)	N/A	N/A
2/24/1997	500.00	Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee (DSCC)	D	N/A
3/12/1997	1,000.00	Nixon, Jeremiah W.	D	Senate
4/16/1997	500.00	KS Democratic State Committee (KS DSC)	D	N/A
9/19/1997	1,000.00	Kerry, John F.	D	Senate
10/31/1997	1,000.00	Moore, Dennis W.	D	House
11/6/1997	500.00	Democratic National Committee Services Corporation (DNC)	D	N/A
11/7/1997	250.00	KS DSC	D	N/A
11/20/1997	2,000.00	Unknown (C00330035)	N/A	N/A
11/20/1997	2,000.00	DSCC	D	N/A
12/12/1997	500.00	Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee (DCCC)	D	N/A
12/18/1997	2,000.00	AAJ PAC	N/A	N/A
1/15/1998	5,000.00	DNC Services Corp. (DNC Services)	D	N/A
2/11/1998	750.00	DSCC	D	N/A
3/17/1998	1,000.00	Moore, Dennis W.	D	House
4/22/1998	500.00	Hollings, Ernest F.	D	Senate
5/20/1998	475.00	KS DSC	D	N/A
5/20/1998	500.00	DNC Services	D	N/A
6/1/1998	250.00	Heckemeyer, Anthony J.	D	House
6/8/1998	500.00	Edwards, John R.	D	Senate
6/10/1998	300.00	Clark, Jim	D	House
6/15/1998	500.00	DNC Services	D	N/A
9/11/1998	250.00	Edwards, John R.	D	Senate
10/7/1998	500.00	DSCC	D	N/A
10/12/1998	500.00	DCCC	D	N/A
10/23/1998	250.00	Hollings, Ernest	D	Senate
10/29/1998	1,000.00	DCCC	D	N/A
11/2/1998	500.00	Participation 2000 Inc	N/A	N/A
1/6/1999	1,000.00	Carnahan, MEL	D	Senate
1/7/1999	1,000.00	Moore, Dennis W.	D	House
1/20/1999	1,000.00	AAJ PAC	N/A	N/A
3/24/1999	1,000.00	Kerrey, J. Robert	D	Senate
4/16/1999	1,000.00	AAJ PAC	N/A	N/A
4/22/1999	500.00	DNC Services	D	N/A
4/26/1999	1,000.00	Carnahan, Mel	D	Senate
4/30/1999	750.00	DSCC	D	N/A
6/9/1999	1,000.00	Bradley, Bill	D	President
8/4/1999	500.00	DNC Services	D	N/A
9/1/1999	1,000.00	Corzine, Jon S	D	Senate

11/19/1999	250.00	DNC Services	D	N/A
11/9/1999	250.00	DNC Services	D	N/A
11/29/1999	1,000.00	DCCC	D	N/A
1/21/2000	2,000.00	AAJ PAC	N/A	N/A
1/22/2000	1,000.00	Clinton, Hillary R.	D	Senate
1/22/2000	1,000.00	New York Senate 2000 ¹	D	N/A
3/14/2000	1,000.00	Schweitzer, Brian D.	D	Senate
4/3/2000	500.00	DNC Services	D	N/A
4/3/2000	475.00	KS DSC	D	N/A
4/18/2000	500.00	Settle, Bill	D	House
4/20/2000	500.00	Ciresi, Michael V.	DFL	Senate
5/9/2000	4,000.00	Missouri 2000 ²	D	N/A
5/9/2000	4,000.00	DSCC	D	N/A
6/7/2000	250.00	Nolla, Carlos J.	D	House
7/3/2000	1,000.00	Marshall, Jim	D	House
7/26/2000	1,000.00	Schweitzer, Brian D.	D	Senate
8/12/2000	250.00	Clint, Ted	D	House
8/18/2000	200.00	DNC Services	D	N/A
8/18/2000	200.00	DCCC	D	N/A
10/7/2000	1,000.00	Civil Justice for America	N/A	N/A
10/27/2000	500.00	Nolla, Carlos J.	D	House
11/3/2000	1,000.00	DNC Services	D	N/A
3/7/2001	1,000.00	Moore, Dennis W.	D	House
3/7/2001	1,000.00	Moore, Dennis W.	D	House
6/22/2001	1,000.00	Jean A. Carnahan PAC ³	N/A	N/A
7/31/2001	500.00	Missouri Democratic State Committee (MO DSC)	D	N/A
7/31/2001	500.00	MO DSC	D	N/A
8/14/2001	2,000.00	AAJ PAC	N/A	N/A
12/25/2001	500.00	Kerry, John F.	D	Senate
2/19/2002	250.00	Pryor, Mark L.	D	Senate
3/27/2002	1,000.00	AAJ PAC	N/A	N/A
6/30/2002	250.00	Strickland, Thomas L.	D	Senate
9/5/2002	1,000.00	AAJ PAC	N/A	N/A
9/17/2002	250.00	Lykins, Dan	D	House
9/27/2002	500.00	MO DSC	D	N/A
11/8/2002	1,000.00	MO DSC	D	N/A
3/24/2003	500.00	Moore, Dennis W.	D	House
4/22/2003	2,000.00	Edwards, John	D	President
5/1/2003	250.00	DCCC	D	N/A
11/10/2003	2,000.00	Knowles, Tony	D	Senate
12/8/2003	500.00	KS DSC	D	N/A
12/31/2003	500.00	Boyda, Nancy E.	D	House
6/11/2004	1,000.00	Moore, Dennis W.	D	House

1 Contribution linked to Hillary R. Clinton, Senate (D).

2. Contribution linked to Mel Carnahan, Senate (D).

3. This committee is a qualified non-party. However, Jean A. Carnahan was a Senator, (MO - D).

8/24/2004	2,000.00	AAJ PAC	N/A	N/A
9/24/2004	500.00	KS DSC	D	N/A
9/28/2004	1,000.00	Moore, Dennis W.	D	House
12/30.2005	1,500.00	AAJ PAC	N/A	N/A
8/7/2006	2,100.00	McCaskill, Claire	D	Senate
8/7/2006	2,100.00	McCaskill, Claire	D	Senate
8/21/2006	1,500.00	AAJ PAC	N/A	N/A
10/5/2006	500.00	KS DSC	D	N/A
10/5/2006	2,100.00	Moore, Dennis W.	D	House
10/31/2006	500.00	Boyda, Nancy E.	D	House
8/29/2007	700.00	AAJ PAC	N/A	N/A
6/9/2008	700.00	AAJ PAC	N/A	N/A
10/15/2008	250.00	Barnes, Kay	D	House

AUBREY G. LINVILLE

YEARS ON THE COMMISSION: 1983 – 1988 (First District Lawyer)
 ADMITTED: 1963, Kansas (Retired)
 LAW SCHOOL: University of Kansas, J.D.
 COLLEGE: University of Kansas, B.S.
 BORN: Salina, Kansas, 1928
 FIRM: Clark, Mize & Linville, Chartered (Salina, Kansas), <http://www.cml-law.com>

POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS:

3/26/2008	250.00	Moran, Jerry	R	House
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JACK L. LIVELY

YEARS ON THE COMMISSION: 1987 – 1993 (Fifth District Lawyer)
 CURRENT POSITION: Chief District Judge, 14th Kansas Judicial District (Coffeyville, Kansas)

PATRICK D. McANANY

YEARS ON THE COMMISSION: 1993 – 1995 (Third District Lawyer)
 ADMITTED: 1968 Missouri; 1973 New York and Kansas
 LAW SCHOOL: University of Missouri at Kansas City, J.D.
 COLLEGE: Rockhurst College, A.B.
 CURRENT POSITION: Kansas Appellate Court Judge

KERRY E. McQUEEN

YEARS ON THE COMMISSION: 2006 – 2010 (First District Lawyer)
PRACTICE AREAS: Personal Injury; Products Liability; Health Law; Workers Compensation
ADMITTED: 1965, Kansas and U.S. District Court, District of Kansas; 1969, U.S. Court of Appeals, Tenth Circuit; 1976, U.S. District Court, Northern District of Oklahoma
LAW SCHOOL: Washburn University of Topeka, J.D., 1965
COLLEGE: Ft. Hays State University, B.S., 1961
MEMBERSHIPS: Seward-Haskell County (President, 1972-1973), Southwest Kansas, Kansas (Board of Governors, 1995-1997; Secretary-Treasurer, 1997-1998), and American Bar Associations; Association of Defense Trial Attorneys; Defense Research Institute; Kansas Association of Defense Counsel (Director, 1977-1981, 1983-1987); Kansas Association of Hospital Attorneys; American Academy of Hospital Attorneys; American Board of Trial Advocates (Associate; President, Kansas Chapter, 1985-1986)
BIOGRAPHY: Phi Alpha Delta; Fellow, American College of Trial Lawyers (State Committee, 1993-1998); Kansas Board of Examiners of Court Reporters, (1998 – present); Kansas Supreme Court Nominating Commission (2006 – present); Kansas Bar Foundation (Fellow; Trustee, 1999-2002)
BORN: Kirwin, Kansas, January 15, 1940
FIRM: Sharp McQueen, P.A. (Liberal, Kansas)

JERRY R. PALMER

YEARS ON THE COMMISSION: 1989 – 1995 (Second District Lawyer)
ADMITTED: 1966, Kansas; U.S. District Court, District of Kansas; U.S. Court of Appeals, Tenth Circuit; U.S. Supreme Court
LAW SCHOOL: University of Texas and University of Kansas, J.D., 1966
COLLEGE: University of Kansas, B.A., 1962
MEMBERSHIPS: Topeka, Kansas, and American Bar Associations; Topeka Lawyers Club (President, 1989); Kansas Trial Lawyers Association (President, 1977-1978); The Association of Trial Lawyers of America (Life Member, 1989; Board of Governors, 1982-1985; Chairman, Home Office & Budget Committee, 1987-1989; Chairman, Constitutional Challenge Committee, 1987-1991); Certified as a Civil Trial Advocate by the National Board of Trial Advocacy (President, 1991-1993); American Inns of Court, Master of the Bench; Elected Member, Kansas Supreme Court Nominating Commission, 1989-1995; American Law Institute (Sustaining Member, 1987 – present); Scribes

BIOGRAPHY:

Recipient: Arthur C. Hodgson Award, Kansas Trial Lawyers Association, 2000; Consumer Advocate Award, Kansas Trial Lawyers Association, 1998; Theodore I. Koskoff Award of NBTA 1998; Adjunct Assistant Professor, Trial Law, Law and Medicine, Washburn School of Law, 1975-1985; Life Member, 1986 – present and Board of Director, 1996 – present, Trial Lawyers for Public Justice; President, Kansas Chapter, American Board of Trial Advocates, 1987; First Certified Civil Trial Advocate by the National Board of Trial Advocacy, 1980 recertified (1985, 1990, 1995, 2000, 2005); Certified by the American Board of Professional Liability Attorneys in Medical Professional Liability, 1999; Approved Mediator Kansas Supreme Court - Core and Civil; Approved Mediator by the United States District Court for the District of Kansas; Fellow, American College of Trial Lawyers; International Academy of Trial Lawyers; International Academy of Mediators; American College of Civil Trial Mediators

FIRM: Palmer, Leatherman, White & Dalton, LLP (Topeka, Kansas), www.palmer-mediatics.com

POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS:

5/22/1997	301.00	AAJ PAC	N/A	N/A
9/24/1997	1,000.00	Kerry, John F.	D	Senate
4/15/1999	1,000.00	Kerrey, J. Robert	D	Senate
6/2/1999	250.00	KS DSC	D	N/A
7/16/1999	500.00	GORE, AL	D	President
12/2/1999	1,000.00	Carnahan, MEL	D	Senate
7/13/2000	250.00	Nolla, CARLOS J	D	House
11/2/2000	500.00	Friends for a Democratic White House PAC Inc	N/A ⁴	N/A
6/22/2001	250.00	Jean A. Carnahan PAC	N/A	N/A
10/19/2001	500.00	KS DSC	D	N/A
2/11/2002	250.00	McPhillips, Julian L., Jr.	D	Senate
6/14/2002	666.00	Missouri Senate 2002 ⁵	D	N/A
6/14/2002	333.00	Jean A. Carnahan PAC	N/A	N/A
9/5/2002	333.00	AAJ PAC	N/A	N/A
4/29/2003	333.00	KS DSC	D	N/A
11/24/2003	1,000.00	Boyda, Nancy E.	D	House
2/12/2004	250.00	Kerry, John F.	D	President
3/17/2004	1,000.00	Kerry, John F.	D	President
3/26/2004	1,000.00	Boyda, Nancy E.	D	House
6/24/2004	2,000.00	Boyda, Nancy E.	D	House
9/13/2004	250.00	Moveon.org Political Action	N/A	N/A

⁴ Committee Type: Non-party non-qualified.

⁵ Contribution linked to Jean A. Carnahan, Senate (D).

9/24/2004	333.00	KS DSC	D	N/A
9/29/2004	250.00	DNC Services	D	N/A
10/16/2004	250.00	DNC Services	D	N/A
10/27/2004	250.00	DNC Services	D	N/A
10/24/2006	1,000.00	Boyda, Nancy E	D	House
10/24/2006	1,000.00	Boya, Nancy E.	D	House
5/31/2007	2,300.00	Boyda, Nancy E.	D	House
9/12/2007	500.00	Boyda, Nancy E.	D	House
12/20/2007	1,000.00	Boyda, Nancy E.	D	House
1/31/2008	500.00	Obama, Barack	D	President
3/12/2008	250.00	Obama, Barack	D	President
4/23/2008	250.00	Obama, Barack	D	President
6/27/2008	250.00	Obama, Barack	D	President
8/29/2008	500.00	Obama, Barack	D	President

DONALD PATTERSON

YEARS ON THE COMMISSION: 1979 – 1989 (Second District Lawyer)
 ADMITTED: 1950, Kansas, Nebraska, U.S. District Court, District of Nebraska and U.S. District Court, District of Kansas; U.S. Court of Appeals, Eighth and Tenth Circuits; 1980, U.S. Supreme Court
 LAW SCHOOL: University of Michigan, J.D., 1950
 COLLEGE: University of Nebraska, A.B., 1947
 MEMBERSHIP: American College Trial Lawyers, 1975
 BIOGRAPHY: Recipient: First Annual DRI Award for Lifetime Contribution to the Profession, DRI, 1997; Listed, Best Lawyers in America, Personal Injury Litigation, 1981 – present
 BORN: Lincoln, Nebraska
 FIRM: Fisher, Patterson, Saylor & Smith, L.L.P. (Topeka, Kansas), www.fisherpatterson.com

DAVID J. REBEIN

YEARS ON THE COMMISSION: 2002 – 2006 (First District Lawyer)
 PRACTICE AREAS: Commercial Litigation; Complex Litigation; Personal Injury
 ADMITTED: 1980, Kansas
 LAW SCHOOL: University of Kansas, J.D., 1980
 COLLEGE: Washburn University of Topeka, B.A., summa cum laude, 1977
 MEMBER: Kansas (President, 2006; President, Litigation Section, 1991-1992) and American Bar Associations; American Association for Justice; Kansas Association of Defense Counsel (President, 2001); Kansas Association for Justice; Supreme Court Nominating Commission (Member, 2003); International Association of Defense Counsel

BIOGRAPHY:

Author: *Achilles' Heel: Employer's Knowledge of Employee's Preexisting Handicaps in Workers Compensation Cases*, 57 JBAK 21 (1988); Author: *An Overview of the 1993 Amendment to the Kansas Workers Compensation Act*, 62JBAK30 (1993); Author: *Supreme Court Nominating Commission Goes to Work: Are you the next Kansas Supreme Court Justice?*, 71 JBAK 16 (2002); Fellow, Kansas Bar Foundation; American College of Trial Lawyers; American Bar Foundation

BORN:

Dodge City, Kansas, March 13, 1955

FIRM:

Rebein Bangertter, P.A. (Dodge City, Kansas), www.rbdodgecity.com

POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS:

8/27/1997	250.00	Moran, Jerry	R	House
12/15/1997	1,000.00	Brownback, Samuel D.	R	Senate
6/2/1998	500.00	Moran, Jerry	R	House
6/2/1998	500.00	Moran, Jerry	R	House
8/24/1998	250.00	Brownback, Samuel D.	R	Senate
11/10/1999	250.00	Bush, George W.	R	President
1/21/2000	1,000.00	KS Rep. Party-Federal	R	N/A
12/22/2000	250.00	KS Rep. Party-Federal	R	N/A
9/11/2000	1,000.00	Roberts, Pat	R	Senate
1/2/2001	1,000.00	KS Rep. Party-Federal	R	N/A
4/6/2001	1,000.00	Roberts, Pat	R	Senate
1/2/2002	1,000.00	KS Rep. Party-Federal	R	N/A
9/5/2002	2,000.00	KS Rep. Party-Federal	R	N/A
1/2/2003	1,000.00	KS Rep. Party-Federal	R	N/A
2/25/2003	1,000.00	Brownback, Samuel D.	R	Senate
5/21/2003	1,000.00	KS Rep. Party-Federal	R	N/A
12/31/2003	1,000.00	KS Rep. Party-Federal	R	N/A
1/15/2004	500.00	KS Rep. Party-Federal	R	N/A
2/3/2005	500.00	Roberts, Pat	R	Senate
7/1/2005	500.00	Moran, Jerry	R	House
9/30/2005	1,500.00	Roberts, Pat	R	Senate
1/11/2006	1,000.00	KS Rep. Party-Federal	R	N/A
6/8/2007	250.00	Jenkins, Lynn	R	House
8/8/2007	200.00	Roberts, Pat	R	Senate
8/8/2007	300.00	Roberts, Pat	R	Senate
9/21/2007	500.00	Jenkins, Lynn	R	House
10/21/2007	1,000.00	KS Rep. Party-Federal	R	N/A
11/19/2007	500.00	Moran, Jerry	R	House
12/26/2007	500.00	McCain, John	R	President
7/16/2008	250.00	Jenkins, Lynn	R	House

PATRICIA E. RILEY

YEARS ON THE COMMISSION: 2003 – 2007 (Second District Lawyer)
PRACTICE AREAS: Labor and Employment; Discrimination; Products Liability; Civil Litigation
ADMITTED: 1977, Kansas; U.S. District Court, District of Kansas; U.S. Court of Appeals, Tenth Circuit; U.S. Supreme Court
LAW SCHOOL: Washburn University, J.D., cum laude, 1976
COLLEGE: Southern Methodist University and Washburn University, B.Ed., 1971
MEMBER: Topeka, Kansas, and American Bar Associations; Defense Research Institute, Inc.; Kansas Association of Defense Counsel; Women Attorneys Association of Topeka; Kansas Women Attorneys Association
BIOGRAPHY: Phi Kappa Phi; Member, Board of Editors and Assistant Comments Editor, Washburn Law Journal, 1976-1977; Elected, Kansas Supreme Court Nominating Commission, 2003 - 2007, 2007; Listed in "Best Lawyers in America," 2007, 2008, and 2009; Fellow, Litigation Counsel of America
BORN: Corpus Christi, Texas, June 27, 1949
FIRM: Weathers, Riley & Sheppard, L.L.P. (Topeka, Kansas), <http://www.lawyers.com/weathersriley>

POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS:

1/21/1999	250.00	Moore, Dennis W.	D	House
4/20/1999	250.00	Moore, Dennis W.	D	House
4/25/2003	500.00	Moore, Dennis W.	D	House
9/17/2003	250.00	DNC Services Corp.	D	N/A
1/27/2004	250.00	Boyda, Nancy E.	D	House
10/9/2004	500.00	Boyda, Nancy E.	D	House
10/15/2004	250.00	DNC Services Corp/ DNC	D	N/A
10/24/2006	500.00	Boyda, Nancy E.	D	House
2/12/1998	250.00	Moore, Dennis W.	D	House
9/25/1998	500.00	Moore, Dennis W.	D	House

JOHN E. SHAMBERG

YEARS ON THE COMMISSION: 1985 – 1993 (Third District Lawyer)
ADMITTED: 1937, Kansas
LAW SCHOOL: Washburn University of Topeka, LL.B.
COLLEGE: Washburn University of Topeka, A.B.
FIRM: Shamberg, Johnson & Bergman (Overland Park, Kansas)

POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS:

8/1/1997	300.00	DNC Services	D	N/A
8/15/1997	1,000.00	Nixon, Jeremiah	D	Senate
9/30/1997	1,000.00	Kerry, John F.	D	Senate
11/3/1997	500.00	Moore, Dennis W.	D	House
1/16/1998	250.00	DSCC	D	N/A
1/20/1998	300.00	DNC Services	D	N/A
3/7/1998	500.00	Moore, Dennis W.	D	House
5/21/1998	200.00	DNC Services	D	N/A
7/1/1998	250.00	Feleciano, Paul, Jr.	D	Senate
9/15/1998	1,000.00	Moore, Dennis W.	D	House
3/24/1999	500.00	Kerrey, J. Robert	D	Senate
4/26/1999	1,000.00	Carnahan, Mel	D	Senate
6/10/1999	1,000.00	Bradley, Bill	D	President
1/21/2000	500.00	Carnahan, Mel	D	Senate
7/29/2000	1,000.00	Moore, Dennis W.	D	House
9/7/2000	1,000.00	Moore, Dennis W.	D	House
10/5/2000	500.00	Carnahan, Mel	D	Senate
11/3/2000	450.00	DNC Services	D	N/A
2/7/2001	500.00	Moore, Dennis W.	D	House
4/23/2001	500.00	AAJ PAC	N/A	N/A
1/23/2002	500.00	AAJ PAC	N/A	N/A
10/15/2002	250.00	Moore, Dennis W.	D	House
11/16/2003	250.00	Moore, Dennis W.	D	House
10/19/2004	250.00	Moore, Dennis W.	D	House

SELBY S. SOWARD

Years on the Commission: 1988 – 1991 (First District Lawyer)
Admitted: Kansas
POSITIONS HELD: County and city attorney in Topeka, Kansas
DIED: December 24, 1991

LEE H. WOODARD

YEARS ON THE COMMISSION: 2001 – 2009 (Fourth District Lawyer)
PRACTICE AREA: Litigation
ADMITTED: 1963, Kansas and U.S. District Court, District of Kansas; 1967, U.S. Court of Appeals Tenth Circuit.
LAW SCHOOL: University of Kansas, LL.B., 1962
COLLEGE: University of Kansas, B.S., 1960
MEMBERSHIPS: Wichita Young Lawyers Association (President, 1967-1968); Wichita (President, 1986-1987; Vice-President, 1973-1974; Board of Governors, 1974-1977), Kansas, and American Bar Associations

BIOGRAPHY: Fellow, American College of Trial Lawyers; Recipient: Howard C. Kline Distinguished Service Award, 1999; Recipient: President's Award, 1999; Recipient: Lifetime Achievement Award, 2003; Recipient: Benson Batt Award, 2005; Member, Kansas Supreme Court Nominating Commission; Chairman, Board of Trustees, Sedgwick County Law Library

BORN: Evanston, Illinois, July 11, 1935

FIRM: Woodard, Hernandez, Roth & Day, L.L.C. (Wichita, Kansas), www.woodard-law.com

POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS:

5/17/2002	250.00	Nolla, Carlos J.	D	House
9/12/2002	200.00	Nolla, Carlos J.	D	House
12/17/2002	300.00	National Republican Congressional Committee	R	N/A

THOMAS E. WRIGHT

YEARS ON THE COMMISSION: 1995 – 2003 (Second District Lawyer)

ADMITTED: 1964, Kansas; U.S. Court of Appeals, Tenth Circuit; U.S. District Court, District of Kansas

LAW SCHOOL: Washburn University of Topeka, J.D.

COLLEGE: Wichita State University, B.S.

CURRENT POSITION: Chairman, Kansas Corporation Counsel

POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS:

3/3/1998	200.00	Moore, Dennis W.	D	House
4/4/2004	250.00	Boyda, Nancy E.	D	House
5/12/2004	250.00	Kerry, John	D	President
10/23/2006	300.00	Boyda, Nancy E.	D	House
6/12/2007	250.00	Clinton, Hillary	D	President
9/25/2008	250.00	Boyda, Nancy E.	D	House

APPENDIX:
STATISTICAL ANALYSIS OF CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS

- 1) Total amount of money contributed to:
 - a. Total = \$140,932
 - b. Democrats = \$117,682
 - c. Republicans = \$23,250

- 2) Total number of contributions made to:
 - a. Total = 204
 - b. Democrats = 167
 - c. Republicans = 37

- 3) Total number of donors who contribute:
 - a. Total = 13
 - b. More to Democrats = 9
 - c. More to Republicans = 4