

Rule 1501

ADVISORY COUNCIL ON DISPUTE RESOLUTION

- (a) **Purpose.** The Advisory Council on Dispute Resolution is established under the Dispute Resolution Act, K.S.A. 5-501 et seq., to:
 - (1) advise the director of dispute resolution on the administration of the Dispute Resolution Act and on developing policy under the Act;
 - (2) assist the director of dispute resolution in providing technical assistance to programs, individuals, courts, and other entities requesting the study and development of dispute resolution programs;
 - (3) consult with appropriate and necessary state agencies and offices to promote a cooperative and comprehensive implementation of the Dispute Resolution Act;
 - (4) advise the director of dispute resolution about the awarding of grants or any other financial assistance program that is administered under the Dispute Resolution Act;
 - (5) advise the director of dispute resolution about applications that programs and individuals have submitted for approval under K.S.A. 5-507, and amendments thereto, and Supreme Court Rules 911, 912, and 913;
 - (6) assist the director of dispute resolution with reviewing, supervising, and evaluating dispute resolution programs; and
 - (7) make recommendations to the director of dispute resolution about legislation affecting dispute resolution.
- (b) **Membership.** The council is composed of no more than 19 members.
- (c) **Appointment.** The Supreme Court appoints the council members.
- (d) **Terms.** Each council member is appointed for a three-year term. No member of the council will be eligible for more than two consecutive three-year terms. A member appointed to complete an unexpired term is eligible to serve two more consecutive three-year terms. A member may serve 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 council for a representative of the office of judicial administration; and
 - (B) the chief justice of the Supreme Court will designate a supreme court justice to serve as liaison to the council.
 - (2) A person serving the council under paragraph (1) is not subject to a term limit under subsection (d).

[History: New rule adopted effective July 1, 2012; Am. effective January 1, 2020.]