

Administrative Order

February 27, 2025

2025-CM-017

DOUGLAS T. SHIMA  
CLERK OF APPELLATE COURTS

**Re: Ad Hoc Artificial Intelligence Committee**

In recent years, the use of artificial intelligence (commonly called "AI" or "Generative AI") has rapidly grown. AI has the potential to create greater efficiency in the legal system and provide expanded access to justice for Kansans. But it also comes with risks for confidentiality, inaccuracy, and bias.

The Supreme Court recognizes the need to address the use of AI as it impacts the Kansas Judicial Branch and the Kansas legal system.

Pursuant to the authority under Article 3, Section 1 of the Kansas Constitution, the Supreme Court hereby creates the Ad Hoc Artificial Intelligence Committee, effective the date of this order. The duties of the committee include:

1. Studying the use of AI as it relates to the judicial branch;
2. Making recommendations to the Supreme Court on internal policies and procedures for the use of AI by employees of the judicial branch, including policies for vetting AI vendors and software;
3. Making recommendations to the Supreme Court on policies and procedures for the use of AI by attorneys, parties, and other members of the public who use judicial branch services; and
4. Serving as an AI governance body for the judicial branch responsible for reviewing, evaluating, and approving potential use cases as they relate to court functions.

To facilitate the Committee's work, there will be an Internal Policy subcommittee and an External Policy subcommittee. The two subcommittees will work to develop complementary policies that govern AI use within the court system.

The following individuals are appointed to the Committee:

*District Courts*

- Chief Judge Jared Johnson (Co-Chair), 28th Judicial District
- Chief Judge Grant Bannister, 21st Judicial District
- Elicia Davidson, Court Reporter, 18th Judicial District
- Linda Koester-Vogelsang, Court Administrator, 7th Judicial District
- Magistrate Judge John McEntee, 10th Judicial District
- Griselda Sigala, Clerk of the Hamilton County District Court, 25th Judicial District
- District Judge Kevin Mark Smith, 18th Judicial District
- Chief Judge Taylor Wine, 4th Judicial District
- Bryan Weiser, Chief Court Services Officer, 9th Judicial District

*Appellate Courts*

- Meryl Carver-Allmond (Co-Chair), General Counsel to Chief Justice Marla Luckert
- Judge Rachel Pickering, Court of Appeals

*Administrative Staff*

- Amber Ballard, Deputy District Court Clerk Specialist, Office of Judicial Administration
- Evan Burt, Chief Information Security Officer, Office of Judicial Administration
- Sarah Hoskinson, Chief of Access to Justice Initiatives, Office of Judicial Administration
- Steve Phillips, General Counsel, Office of Judicial Administration
- Amanda Voth, Deputy Disciplinary Administrator, Office of the Disciplinary Administrator
- Alex Wong, Chief Information Technology Officer, Office of Judicial Administration

*Additional Legal Professionals*

- Ayyoub Ajmi, Director of Legal Innovation and Technology, University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law
- Daniel Buller, Partner, Foulston Siefkin LLP
- Clayton Perkins, Chief Capital Appellate Defender, Kansas State Board of Indigents' Defense Services
- David Rubenstein, Professor, Washburn University School of Law

The Committee will be supported by personnel from the Office of Judicial Administration as needed.

Dated this 27th day of February 2025.

FOR THE COURT



MARLA LUCKERT  
Chief Justice