

Administrative Order

January 27, 2025

2025-CM-011

DOUGLAS T. SHIMA
CLERK OF APPELLATE COURTS

Re: Establishment of the Ad Hoc Criminal Mediation Advisory Group

The Supreme Court hereby creates the Ad Hoc Criminal Mediation Advisory Group.

The members of the advisory group will combine their professional knowledge and experiences to advise on the development of criminal mediation rules in Kansas. The advisory group will assist by:

- Studying best practices in the field of criminal mediation and providing insight into their application within the Kansas court system;
- Reviewing existing local rules from Kansas and other states regarding criminal mediation;
- Reviewing and providing substantive feedback on draft criminal mediation rules prepared by the Office of Judicial Administration; and
- Collaborating on the revision and refinement of the proposed rules.

The following individuals are appointed to serve on the Ad Hoc Criminal Mediation Advisory Group effective the date of this order and until further order of this court.

District Court Judges

- Chief Judge Taylor Wine, 4th Judicial District
- Chief Judge Jeffrey Goering, 18th Judicial District
- Judge Kendra Lewison, 21st Judicial District

Additional Members

- Tiffanie Askew, Victim Rights Coordinator, Kansas Attorney General's Office
- Marc Bennett, District Attorney, 18th Judicial District
- Hatem Chahine, Defense Attorney, 7th Judicial District
- Michael Kagay, District Attorney, 3rd Judicial District
- Charles Lindberg, Defense Attorney, 9th and 28th Judicial District
- Kevin Moriarty, Mediator and Retired Judge, 10th Judicial District
- Michelle Neis, Public Defender, 3rd Judicial District
- Michael Powers, Mediator and Retired Judge, 8th Judicial District
- Kimberly Rodebaugh, Senior Assistant District Attorney, 27th Judicial District

The group will be supported by Amanda Jacobsen, Director of Dispute Resolution, and other Office of Judicial Administration personnel as needed.

Dated this 27th day of January 2025.

FOR THE COURT



MARLA LUCKERT
Chief Justice