#### IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

#### Administrative Order No. 140

In re: 1999 Access to Justice Grant

Pursuant to 1998 Supp. 20-166, a 1999 Access to Justice Grant is awarded to Kansas Legal Services, Inc. The amount of the grant shall be 90% of the total Access to Justice Funds for FY 2000, but shall not exceed \$945,032.00.

The grant shall be paid in quarterly disbursements.

BY ORDER OF THE COURT this \_\_\_\_\_ th day of July, 1999.

Kay McFarland

Chief Justice

Attachment

#### FY 2000 ACCESS TO JUSTICE GRANT REQUEST

ORGANIZATION: Kansas Legal Services, Inc.

712 South Kansas Avenue, Suite 200

Topeka, Kansas 66603

(785) 233-2068

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION: Kansas Legal Services, Inc., is a private non-

profit corporation that provides free and low cost legal and alternative dispute resolution services to low income persons in Kansas.

CONTACT PERSON(S): Roger L. McCollister, Executive Director

Larry R. Rute, Litigation Director

Wayne A. White, Director of Research and

Program Development

SERVICE AREA: Kansas, statewide.

AMOUNT REQUESTED: \$1,000,000

**TAX ID NUMBER:** 48-0872528

#### **SUMMARY OF PROPOSAL**

Kansas Legal Services, Inc. is a private non-profit 501(c)(3) corporation that provides civil legal and alternative dispute resolution services to low income persons in Kansas. Kansas Legal Services (KLS) is requesting \$1,000,000 in Access to Justice funds.

KLS is requesting Access to Justice funds for operating expenses for programs that will provide legal counsel in domestic and other civil matters; legal assistance to <u>pro se</u> litigants; alternative dispute resolution services; and a statewide Access to Justice Advice and Referral Line to make all services more accessible to low income Kansans and Kansas courts. Our program is designed to lessen the burden imposed on the Kansas district courts by <u>pro se</u> litigants and to make the court system more accessible to Kansans with low incomes.

KLS meets all financial and other qualifications set forth by the Kansas Supreme Court in the Access to Justice Applicant Eligibility Standards. Our program makes legal counsel, mediation and pro se services available to low income persons earning 150% or below of the federally established poverty level in all 105 Kansas counties. Our proposal is broken into two projects or a third alternative.

- (1) Advice and representation for low income Kansans in domestic and other civil legal matters and the operation of the statewide Access to Justice Advice Line. (\$830,000)
- (2) Pro se and mediation services provided on a statewide basis to address specific needs identified by the courts and the Office of Judicial Administration (OJA). (\$170,000)
- (3) If desired by the Supreme Court, Kansas Legal Services can implement an effective program of statewide legal advice and representation for domestic and other civil legal matters with \$1,000,000 in Access to Justice funding. Access to Justice funds will be distributed statewide on the basis of poverty population.

Special Access to Justice fund accounts have been established by Kansas Legal Services to meet the expenses in each of these areas. KLS will provide quarterly and year end reports detailing how the funds were used and who benefited from them. A review of the Kansas Legal Services Access to Justice funded programs was conducted by staff from the Kansas Bar Association and the Office of Judicial Administration in February 1999. The review team found the programs to be operating in an effective and efficient manner without any deficiencies. The review team will return in early 2000 for their third annual Access to Justice program review.

#### ACCESS TO JUSTICE FUND

Kansas Legal Services, Inc. worked closely with the staff of the Kansas Bar Association and the Office of Judicial Administration to have the Access to Justice fund included in House Bill 3033 which was passed by the 1996 Legislature. We also worked closely with the Kansas University School of Law, the Kansas Trial Lawyers Association and many others to assure the creation of this important new source of funding for civil legal services for low income Kansans.

Money credited to the Access to Justice fund was specified by the Legislature to be used solely for the purpose of making grants for operating expenses to programs, including dispute resolution programs, which provide access to the Kansas civil justice system for persons who would otherwise be denied access to civil justice. It further specified that such programs may provide legal assistance to <u>pro se</u> litigants, legal counsel for civil and domestic matters and other legal or dispute resolution services in accordance with grant guidelines promulgated by the Supreme Court of Kansas.

The program proposed by Kansas Legal Services, Inc. for Access to Justice funding addresses the specific goals of 1996 House Bill 3033 and meets all requirements of the 1999 "Supreme Court of Kansas Access to Justice Fund Grant Application Packet."

#### **DESCRIPTION OF KANSAS LEGAL SERVICES**

#### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

In the early 1920s, the American Bar Association acknowledged the need for special assistance to the poor by creating a standing Committee on Legal Aid. State and local bar associations worked over the following decades to promote legal aid societies to provide free legal services to the poor. During the 1960s and the war on poverty, the resources devoted to the neighborhood law offices organized to serve the poor were greatly expanded. The newly formed Office of Economic Opportunity (OEO), with the support of the American Bar Association, created in 1965 the Office of Legal Services as part of its Community Action Program.

In the mid 1960s, legal aid societies were formed in Topeka, Wichita and Kansas City. From the 1960s until 1974, the three Kansas Legal Aid Societies, with the support of local bar associations, operated under the authority of the OEO's Office of Legal Services. Authority for the legal services program was transferred from the Community Services Administration (successor to the Office of

Economic Opportunity) to the newly formed Legal Services Corporation (LSC) during 1975. Through all of these changes in administrative authority and funding, the Kansas Legal Aid Societies continued to provide free and low cost legal services to the poor in Kansas.

In 1978, the Kansas City, Topeka, and Wichita Legal Aid Societies merged to form Kansas Legal Services, Inc. KLS now has fourteen field offices located across the state and maintains an extensive retainer contract system with cooperating members of the Kansas Bar Association.

KLS provided advice and representation to approximately 35,500 low income Kansans during 1998. This is an increase of approximately 8,000 cases from 1996, prior to the first Access to Justice grant. This twenty nine per cent (29%) increase in service is largely the result of Access to Justice funding.

Services are provided in all 105 Kansas counties for a wide range of legal and dispute resolution matters. KLS has a proven record of providing legal and dispute resolution services to low income Kansans. KLS also has extensive experience in providing low cost direct services and in documenting the outcomes of those services.

#### **GOALS**

The primary mission of Kansas Legal Services is to provide equal access to justice for persons not able to pay for legal services.

KLS has progressively focused its advocacy efforts on special needs groups such as victims of domestic violence, children, the elderly, farmers, those with disabling conditions and those seeking access to health care. Additionally, with funding from the Access to Justice Fund, the Kansas Bar Association, the Kansas Human Rights Commission and other private and public sources, KLS offers mediation services and low-fee legal services.

Access to Justice funding has made possible several avenues to improving legal assistance to low income Kansans. Those avenues include improved access through a comprehensive legal Advice Line and increased availability of legal advice and representation. Access to Justice funding for KLS has also improved access to mediation and assistance to <u>pro se</u> litigants and the Kansas courts in dealing with <u>pro se</u> litigants. Continued Access to Justice funding will allow KLS to further expand its ability to meet these goals.

Priorities for service are reviewed on a regular basis. During 1997, KLS surveyed district court judges and court clerks regarding the civil legal needs of low income Kansans. As recommended by the Access to Justice Review Team, KLS will repeat its legal needs research in the fall of 1999. KLS staff will work in concert with Office of Judicial Administration and Kansas Bar Association staff to survey district court judges and clerks of the court to ascertain the areas of greatest demand for legal services among low income Kansans. In addition, KLS began incorporating legal needs questions in its annual field office surveys during 1998. A random sample of all clients served by KLS throughout the state are surveyed each year about their level of satisfaction with the services provided by KLS. Information gathered from Kansas courts and satisfaction survey data regarding legal needs will be compiled and analyzed and will determine our service priorities.

#### **CLIENT ELIGIBILITY**

Legal advice and representation, mediation and assistance to <u>pro se</u> litigants will be provided without charge to individuals and families at or below 150 per cent (150%) of the federally established poverty level in all projects funded by Access to Justice.

#### **GOVERNING BODY**

Kansas Legal Services is governed by a board of directors that is composed of 21 members. Sixty per cent (60%) of the members are attorneys and the remainder are client-eligible consumer representatives. There is one non-voting staff representative member of the board, appointed by the KLS Staff Association. The Kansas Bar Association appoints eleven of the attorney members and the Kansas Trial Lawyers Association appoints one.

#### ACCESS TO JUSTICE FUNDS PROVIDE CRITICAL FUNDING FOR LEGAL SERVICES

Access to Justice funding has made it possible for KLS to provide critical legal services to an unprecedented number of Kansans. KLS provided advice or representation in approximately 8,000 more cases during 1998 than 1996. This twenty nine per cent (29%) increase in overall services has been made possible largely by Access to Justice funding. Since receiving the first Access to Justice grant in late 1996, Kansas Legal Services has nearly doubled the number of domestic clients receiving legal advice and representation.

Though clients seeking legal assistance in domestic law matters have benefited most from Access to Justice funding, KLS has been able to serve a significant number of new clients in civil matters other than domestic; primarily with consumer and housing matters. The funding provided under the Access to Justice grant has enabled KLS to make significant progress towards meeting the legal needs of low income Kansans.

During calendar year 1998 KLS provided services to 5,801 clients seeking advice or representation in a domestic law matter with Access to Justice funds. Of the 5,801 clients served, 4,251 received legal advice and 1,550 received legal representation. During 1998, ATJ funded 1,935 cases involving civil matters other than domestic. Of these 1,935 clients, 1,887 were advised and 48 received legal representation.

Through the first quarter of 1999, 1,044 clients have received domestic legal assistance with Access to Justice funds. Of the 1,044 clients served, 835 were advised and 209 received legal representation. Also during the first quarter of 1999, ATJ funds made it possible for KLS to serve an additional 411 clients in civil matters other than domestic. Of the 411 served, 397 received legal advice and 14 were represented by KLS attorneys.

Access to Justice funding has enabled KLS to serve an unprecedented number of Kansans with low incomes seeking legal assistance with domestic law matters. Continued Access to Justice funding will enable Kansas Legal Services to maintain this new, higher, level of service to low income Kansans and the Kansas Judiciary.

#### **ACCESS TO JUSTICE PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

#### INTRODUCTION

Kansas Legal Services is requesting \$1,000,000 of Access to Justice funding to be used for advice and representation in domestic law and other civil matters; to provide mediation services; assistance to <u>pro se</u> litigants and the courts in dealing with <u>pro se</u> litigants; and the operation of the Access to Justice Advice Line. Our request is for two projects.

The first project involves advice and representation for low income Kansans in domestic law and other civil matters and the operation of the Access to Justice Advice Line. The budget for this project is \$830,000.

The second project involves continuing to review the needs of the district courts in Kansas regarding pro se and mediation services and offering, on a statewide basis, pro se and mediation services as deemed necessary by the Kansas courts and the Office of Judicial Administration. This project has a budget of \$170,000.

#### PROJECT 1

# Part A Advice and Representation in Domestic Law and Other Civil Matters \$707,174 Requested

The Kansas Bar Association's Civil Legal Needs of the Poor Survey has consistently found domestic law matters to be the area of greatest unmet need among low income Kansans. In 1988, the Kansas Bar Association's Legal Aid and Lawyer Referral Committee conducted a survey of four different components of the Bar in Kansas: Bar Association presidents, judges, legal services lawyers and a random sample of KBA attorneys. The types of cases identified to be the most in need of additional services were: (1) post divorce motions, (2) contested divorces, and (3) domestic violence. In a subsequent survey conducted by the Bar in 1992, these issues continued to be the top three in need of additional services. In 1995, the top two types of cases listed were contested divorces and domestic violence. Post divorce motions were also ranked in the top ten. Surveys conducted by Kansas Legal Services in 1992, 1993 and 1995 also rank domestic law as the number one unmet legal need in Kansas. The 1997 survey of judges and court clerks conducted in conjunction with the Office of Judicial Administration also found a high level of need for advice and representation in domestic matters.

Kansas Legal Services' ability to address the demand for domestic law services declined with federal funding cuts between 1985 and 1990 and again in 1996. During 1994, a total of 11,058 family law cases were advised or represented by KLS. During 1996, the level of service in family law declined to 9,041 cases. Over two years, because of federal funding cuts, domestic law advice and representation had declined by eighteen point two per cent (18.2%). This reduction in service came at a time of increasing demand and probably contributed to an increase in the incidence of pro se litigants in Kansas courts. When legal assistance in domestic matters is not available through KLS, low income people are often forced to handle their domestic law issues pro se. Access to Justice funding during 1998 allowed KLS to expand family law services to 17,024 cases, an increase of approximately eighty eight per cent (88%) over 1996. Access to Justice funding has

allowed Kansas Legal Services to nearly double the volume of family law services for low income Kansans over a three year period.

Access to Justice resources have been and will be distributed throughout the State of Kansas on the basis of poverty population. KLS will equalize the availability of domestic law advice and representation by placing more resources in those areas of the state that are the most underserved.

With new Access to Justice funding KLS will provide legal advice and representation to approximately 6,613 Kansans. Approximately 5,129 individuals will receive legal advice and an additional 1,484 persons will be provided legal representation. The vast majority of legal advice and representation will be provided in domestic law matters. However, Access to Justice funded legal advocacy will also include advice and representation for clients seeking assistance with other civil legal matters, such as landlord/tenant disputes or consumer protection issues.

With \$707,174 devoted to this portion of the project, the average cost for these 6,613 cases (advice and representation) is \$107 per case. This portion of Access to Justice funding will pay for 18,985 hours of legal advice and representation at \$37.25 per hour. This cost figure includes attorney, paralegal and secretarial time and all non-personnel costs.

# Part B Domestic Advice and Referral Hotline \$122,826 Requested

The Access to Justice Advice Line began operation on February 7, 1997. The Access to Justice Advice Line screens callers for income eligibility, determines the legal problem of the caller and determines the priority of the problem identified. Advice Line staff either refers the caller to a Kansas Legal Services office for representation or advice or, in some cases, may provide direct advice during the initial call. Advice Line staff also assists in <u>pro se</u> matters as requested by the courts and may refer the caller to mediation services either within KLS or to other providers.

The Advice Line provides comprehensive access to low income people for advice or representation in domestic matters, mediations or assistance with <u>pro se</u> matters. The Advice Line number has been provided directly to Kansas district courts and is available to provide the services they need in lessening the burden of <u>pro se</u> litigants, coordinating mediation services or responding to perceived needs for legal assistance.

At the requested level of funding, the Advice Line will be staffed with a full-time intake specialist, a full-time paralegal and one quarter-time attorney. This staff will handle calls, make referrals, draft orders for <u>pro-se</u> litigants and provide legal advice in domestic matters. A total of approximately 11,300 calls will be received on an annual basis at a cost of \$10.87 per call. Approximately 4,500 of these calls will be processed as case intakes on an annual basis at a cost of approximately \$27.29 per intake. This cost includes some brief advice and direct assistance to <u>prose</u> litigants.

#### PROJECT 2

# Part A Expanded Alternative Dispute Resolution \$120,000 Requested

The \$120,000 requested for Access to Justice alternative dispute resolution services will be used to continue to expand the availability of mediation, arbitration, case management and other alternative dispute resolution services for low income individuals statewide. Funding for this purpose will be expended as follows:

- 1. \$112,500 of funding will pay for 300 mediations conducted by KLS, the Mediation Center of Wichita, KU Psychological Center and other mediation providers.
- \$7,500 will be utilized in the further development and maintenance of mediation referral systems with district courts, training and coordination with other mediation providers. Developing the capacity to provide case management services, at the request of judges, will be included. Approximately 158 hours will be divided among the statewide mediation coordinator and three regional coordinators. Kansas Legal Services will continue to gather information from the Office of Judicial Administration, the Kansas Bar Association, the district courts of Kansas and other alternative dispute resolution providers to identify the alternative dispute resolution needs of both the courts and low income Kansans. Allocating a portion of the mediation budget to the further development and administration of referral systems allows continued development of the emerging Access to Justice alternative dispute resolution system.

# Part B Pro Se Assistance \$50,000 Requested

The \$50,000 requested for <u>pro se</u> assistance will be used to expand the availability of direct assistance to <u>pro se</u> litigants or to courts in dealing with <u>pro se</u> litigants. A clear interest has been expressed by the district courts in having this service. The funds will pay for approximately 1,286 hours of direct assistance to <u>pro se</u> litigants or to courts in dealing with <u>pro se</u> litigants. It is estimated that assistance will be provided in 359 cases. Of the 359 served, ninety (90) clients will receive legal representation and 269 will be provided with legal advice. This legal assistance will be provided at a cost of \$38.88 per hour with a total cost per case of approximately \$139.28. The nature of this assistance depends upon the need of each court and each client. Services vary from drafting orders to giving advice or, in some cases, providing representation rather than the client continuing <u>pro se</u>.

Funding for mediation and <u>pro se</u> assistance in this project expands the usefulness to the courts of the Access to Justice Advice Line described in Project 1. The Advice Line will continue to serve as a one stop shop for the courts to obtain assistance with <u>pro se</u> litigants, to make mediation referrals, or to obtain advice or representation for low income persons statewide.

#### ALTERNATIVE PROPOSAL

# Direct Legal Advice and Representation \$1,000,000

If desired by the Supreme Court, Kansas Legal Services can implement an effective program solely of statewide legal advice and representation for domestic and other civil matters with \$1,000,000 in Access to Justice funding. This program would include the \$122,826 for the Access to Justice Advice Line. The remaining \$877,174 would pay for 23,548 hours of legal advice and representation at \$37.25 per hour (including support staff time). Staff and case loads would be distributed throughout the state on the basis of poverty population and relative demand. This use of Access to Justice resources would allow KLS to provide advice in approximately 6,362 cases and representation in 1,840 cases, for a total of 8,202 cases.

#### **EVALUATION**

Kansas Legal Services has established separate Access to Justice accounts for both projects and for each category of service within each project. KLS will identify the specific services made possible by the Access to Justice grant including the number of people served and the cost per unit of service.

KLS will provide client satisfaction surveys to samples of all persons served with Access to Justice funds. The result of those surveys will be provided to the Supreme Court of Kansas. KLS agrees to any audit or review of its expenses by the Supreme Court of Kansas. KLS will continue to cooperate with the Office of Judicial Administration and the Kansas Bar Association to identify the legal needs of low income Kansans and to adapt services that reflect those identified needs.

#### INDEPENDENT REVIEW

Staff from the Kansas Bar Association and the Office of Judicial Administration conducted the annual Access to Justice program review during February 1999. The review team found the programs to be operating in an effective and efficient manner without any deficiencies. The review team will return in early 2000 for their third annual Access to Justice program review.

Kansas Legal Services, Inc.

# Access to Justice Fund - Grant Application Domestic and Other Advocacy Program Budget Project One

	Access	Access to Justice Funding	nding		
		Advice &			
		Referral		Other	Total
	Advocacy	Hotline	Total ATJ	Funding (a)	Program
Salaries-Lawyers/Mediators	319,330	8,500	327,830	132,230	460,060
Salaries-Paras	64,689	22,000	86,689	54,927	141,616
Salaries-Clerical	39,914	17,000	56,914	81,416	138,330
Fringe Benefits & Taxes	999'69	11,543	81,209	53,227	134,436
Total Personnel	493,599	59,043	552,642	321,800	874,442
Space	35,118	4,932	40,050	26,849	668'99
Capital Expenditures	15,376	8,000	23,376	11,781	35,157
Equipment Rental	11,769	1,901	13,670	9,018	22,688
Supplies, Printing, Postage	17,654	4,923	22,577	13,415	35,992
Telephone	22,400	21,000	43,400	17,045	60,445
Travel	7,213	434	7,647	5,441	13,088
Training	2,847	342	3,189	2,124	5,313
Library	4,556	342	4,898	3,431	8,329
Insurance	4,556	738	5,294	3,468	8,762
Litigation	1,708	0	1,708	1,252	2,960
Audit / Contract Services	4,935	200	5,135	3,799	8,934
Central Casewrk & Suprt	78,419	17,174	95,593	61,116	156,709
Other	7,024	3,797	10,821	5,217	16,038
Total Non-Personnel	213,575	63,783	277,358	163,956	441,314
Total Expenses	707,174	122,826	830,000	485,756	1,315,756

Sources of other funding include Legal Services Corporation, IOLTA, United Way, various city/county grants, Department of Justice and Attorney General grants.

**Budget Form** 

Note (a) :

Kansas Legal Services, Inc. Access to Justice Fund · Grant Application Domestic and Other Advocacy Statistics Project One

	Access	Access to Justice Funding	nding
		Advice & Referral	
	Advocacy	Hotline	Total ATJ
Total Representations	1,484		1,484
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Total Gases	6,613	11,300	17,913
FTE-Lawyers	7.74	0.25	7.99
FTE-Paras	2.74	1.00	3.74
FTE-Clerical	1.93	1.00	2.93
Total FTE's	12.41	2.25	14.66
Hours-Lawyers	11,840	383	12,223
Hours-Paras	4,192	1,530	5,722
Hours-Clerical	2,953	1,530	4,483
Total Hours	18,985	3,443	22,428

Budget Form

Access to Justice Fund · Grant Application Pro-Se and Mediation Program Budget Kansas Legal Services, Inc. Project Two

	Acces	Access to Justice Funding	nding		
		Pro-Se		Other .	Total
	Mediation	Assistance	Total ATJ	Funding (a)	Program
Salaries-Lawyers/Mediators	52,418	26,110	78,528	0	78,528
Salaries Paras	2,503	3,688	6,191	0	6,191
Salaries-Clerical	0	1,068	1,068	0	1,068
Fringe Benefits & Taxes	5,846	4,719	10,565	0	10,565
Total Personnel	60,767	35,585	96,352	0	96,352
Space	3,092	2,379	5,471	0	5,471
Capital Expenditures	1,354	1,042	2,396	0	2,396
Equipment Rental	1,036	797	1,833	0	1,833
Supplies, Printing, Postage	1,554	1,196	2,750	0	2,750
Telephone	1,972	1,517	3,489	0	3,489
Travel	635	489	1,124	0	1,124
Training	251	193	444	0	444
Library	401	303	710	0	710
Insurance	401	308	710	0	710
Litigation	150	116	266	0	266
Audit / Contract Services	40,500	334	40,834	0	40,834
Central Casewrk & Suprt	7,269	5,258	12,527	0	12,527
Other	618	476	1,094	0	1,094
Total Non-Personnel	59,233	14,415	73,648	0	73,648

These projects are only funded through the Access to Justice grant.

Note (a) :

120,000

Total Expenses

170,000

Kansas Legal Services, Inc. Access to Justice Fund - Grant Application Pro-Se and Mediation Statistics Project Two

	Acces	Access to Justice Funding	nding
		Pro-Se	
	Mediation	Assistance	Total ATJ
Total Rep / Mediations	300	06	90
Total Advices		269	269
Total Cases	300	359	359
FTE-Lawyers/Mediators	0.88	0.63	0.63
FTE-Paras	0.11	0.16	0.16
FTE-Clerical	00.00	0.05	0.02
Total FTE's	0.99	0.84	0.84
Hours-Lawyers/Mediators	1,346	964	964
Hours-Paras	168	245	245
Hours-Clerical	0	77	77
Total Hours	1,514	1,286	1,286

#### Internal Revenue Service District Director

Department of the Treasury

Date:

3 JUN 1980

Our Letter Dated:

July 15, 1978 Person to Contact

Minnie Busby Contact Telephone Number:

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Mansas Legal Services, Inc. 112 West oth St. Topeka, Mansas 66603

Bear Taxpayer:

This modifies our letter of the above date in which we stated that you would be treated as an organization which is not a private foundation until the expiration of your advance ruling period.

Based on the information you submitted, we have determined that you are not a private foundation within the meaning of section 509(a) of the Internal Revenue Code, because you are an organization of the type described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi). Your exempt status under section 501(c)(3) of the code is still in effect.

Grantors and contributors may rely on this determination until the Internal Revenue Service publishes notice to the contrary. However, a grantor or a contributor may not rely on this determination if he or she was in part responsible for, or was aware of, the act or failure to act that resulted in your loss of section  $\frac{509(a)(1)}{200}$  status, or acquired knowledge that the Internal Revenue Service had given notice that you would be removed from classification as a section  $\frac{509(a)(1)}{200}$  organization.

Because this letter could help resolve any questions about your private foundation status, please keep it in your permanent records.

If you have any questions, please contact the person whose name and telephone number are shown above.

Sincerely yours,

A. W. McCanless

District Director

# Kansas Legal Services, Inc. Board of Directors

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(Amended October 19, 1990)

#### KANSAS LEGAL SERVICES, INC.

#### **BYLAWS**

#### ARTICLE I

#### NAME AND PRINCIPAL OFFICE

**SECTION 1: NAME** 

This organization, incorporated under the Kansas Corporation Code, shall be known as Kansas Legal Services, Inc., hereinafter referred to as K.L.S., Inc.

#### SECTION 2: PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal office of K.L.S., Inc. shall be located in Topeka, Kansas, or in such other city in Kansas as shall be designated by the Board of Directors.

#### ARTICLE II

#### **PURPOSE**

The objects and purposes of this Corporation shall be to provide or help to provide legal services for economically disadvantaged Kansas citizens who are financially unable to obtain private counsel.

K.L.S., Inc. is organized and operated exclusively for charitable and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 510(c)(3) of the United States Internal Revenue Code, and the Kansas Corporation Code.

The Corporation, in furtherance of these charitable and educational purposes, shall attempt to educate and serve indigent persons by:

- 1. Receiving grants of public and private funds as may be available for providing legal services to indigent citizens of Kansas;
- 2. Establishing or assisting in the creation and operation of professionally staffed legal assistance offices for indigents where needed;
- 3. Providing technical assistance and creating and encouraging educational programs relating to legal programs for the indigent; and
- 4. Carrying out any lawful activity necessary or convenient in connection with any of the foregoing purposes or powers enumerated in the Kansas Corporation Code.

#### ARTICLE III

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

#### SECTION 1: NUMBER AND COMPOSITION

The affairs of this Corporation shall be managed by its Board of Directors, which shall consist of twenty-one (21) members, all of whom shall be residents of the state of Kansas. The composition of the Board of Directors shall in all respects comply with Section 1607.3 and other applicable regulations promulgated by the Legal services Corporation Act of 1974, Public Law 93-355.

## SECTION 2: QUALIFICATIONS AND SELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS

- A. Qualification. Members of the Board of Directors shall be supportive of the purposes of the Legal Services Corporation Act, and have interest in and knowledge of the delivery of quality legal services to indigent persons. At least one-third (1/3) of the K.L.S. Board of Directors shall be persons qualified for free legal services by Kansas Legal Services at the time of their appointment to the Board of Directors and shall be selected to serve on the K.L.S. Board by the client members of their respective advisory councils.

  No person who is employed by K.L.S., Inc., or by any organization or agency who is receiving or has applied to receive funds from K.L.S., Inc., shall be eligible for membership on the Board of Directors.
- B. <u>Selection</u>. The twenty-one members shall be selected in the following manner:
  - 1. One attorney designated by the Kansas Bar Association (KBA) Executive Council and one client representative in total from Service areas 11 and 12.
  - 2. One attorney designated by the KBA Executive Council and one client representative in total from the Service areas 9 and 10.
  - 3. One attorney designated by the KBA Executive Council and one client representative in total from the Service areas 4 and 6.
  - 4. One attorney designated by the KBA Executive Council and one client representative in total from the Service areas 2 and 8.
  - 5. One attorney designated by the KBA Executive Council and one client representative designated by Advisory Councils from each of Service areas 1, 3, 5, and 7.
  - 6. One attorney chosen by the Executive Council of the Kansas Bar Association (KBA).
  - 7. One attorney chosen by the President of the Kansas Trial Lawyers Association (KTLA).
  - 8. One attorney designated by the KBA Executive Council representing the Washburn University School of Law.

- 9. One attorney designated by the KBA Executive Council representing the Kansas University School of Law.
- 10. One non-voting, ex-officio representative of the Kansas Legal Services Staff Association, who may not be an employee of K.L.S., Inc., the K.L.S. Staff Association, or any organization receiving, or which has applied to receive, funds from Kansas Legal Services, Inc.
- C. Attorney positions in paragraph B above shall be appointed by the KBA Executive Council to represent the service area, law schools, and KBA position, as described therein, except that the KTLA shall appoint one attorney position. K.L.S. shall make recommendations to the KBA Executive Council for their consideration in making the respective appointments.
- D. Every reasonable effort will be made to recruit and appoint women and minority attorney members to the Board.

#### **SECTION 3: TERM**

The new Board shall be constituted no later than August 31, 1981, and shall serve until the January annual meeting in 1983 as their first year. Representatives from Service Areas 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7, shall serve for three years as their initial term. Representatives from Service Areas 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12, the two law schools, the KBA, and the KTLA shall serve two years as their initial term. After the initial three-year terms expire, all terms shall be for two years and shall commence as of the annual meeting. No member shall serve more than two consecutive terms.

#### SECTION 4: ANNUAL MEETINGS

An annual meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held on the third Friday of January in each year at the principal office of K.L.S., Inc., or upon such other day and in such other place, within or without the state, as may be provided by resolution of the Board of Directors.

#### SECTION 5: REGULAR MEETINGS

Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held on the third Friday of January, April, July, and October of each year at the principal office of K.L.S., Inc., or upon such other day and in such other place as may be provided by resolution of the Board of Directors.

#### SECTION 6: NOTICE

Written notice of each meeting, specifying the place, day, and hour, and in the case of the special meetings, the reason therefore shall be delivered to each director not less than ten (10) days and not more than forty (40) days before the date of the meeting, either personally or by mail, at the direction of the President of the Board of Directors or the other directors calling the meeting. A tentative agenda shall accompany each written notice of a meeting. If mailed, such notice shall be deemed to be delivered when deposited in the United States mail, addressed to the director at his address as it appears on the records of the Corporation, with postage prepaid.

It is provided, however, that whenever any notice is required to be given, a waiver thereof in writing, signed by persons entitled to such notice, whether before or after the time stated therein, shall be deemed equivalent to such notice having been properly given.

#### **SECTION 7: QUORUM**

A majority of directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Board. The act of the majority of the directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Board of Directors unless the act of a greater number is required by law or these Bylaws.

#### SECTION 8: REMOVAL OF BOARD MEMBERS

- A. The Board, by a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the entire Board of Directors (although only a quorum need be present), shall have the authority to remove a director for good cause shown upon written notice of the intended action to the director in question at least ten (10) days prior to the vote.
- B. When a director shall fail to appear at three (3) consecutive meetings of the Board of Directors, or at one-half (1/2) of the meetings held during a two-year period, his or her membership on the Board of Directors shall automatically terminate, and he/she shall be notified by the Secretary in writing. However, such director may, upon his/her written request therefore, be allowed to appear at the next regular meeting of the Board of Directors to request reinstatement, and the Board may, upon a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present at the meeting, reinstate the person as a member of the Board for good cause shown.

#### **SECTION 9: VACANCIES**

When vacancies occur on the Board, the organization which appointed or elected the departing director shall choose the successor to serve the unexpired term; provided, however, that if such organization shall fail to choose a successor within sixty (60) days after being given written notice of the vacancy, the Board may designate another qualified organization to make the appointment.

When vacancies occur on the Board as a result of the failure of the organization listed in Section II appoint or elect a director to the Board at the initial annual meeting of the Board or at the expiration of the term of any director, the Board may appoint the director or directors by a majority vote at a duly-convened meeting.

In the event that the Board does select the successor director in either of the situations described above, such director shall meet the requirements of the position vacated and represent the organization failing to choose a successor.

#### **SECTION 10: OPEN MEETINGS**

- A. All meetings for the conduct of the affairs of and the transactions of business by the Corporation through its Board of Directors shall be conducted in accordance with the open-meeting laws of the state of Kansas, K.S.A. 1977 Supp. 75-4318 et seq. as it may be hereafter amended.
- B. Notice of the date, time, and place of any meeting--annual, regular, or special--shall be furnished by the Secretary to any person requesting such information.

C. Prior to any meeting hereinabove mentioned, any agenda relating to the business to be transacted at such meeting shall be made available by the Secretary to any person requesting said agenda.

#### SECTION 11: POWER AND DUTIES

The Board shall have, but shall not be limited to, the following powers, duties and responsibilities:

- 1. Set and review all policies for the operation of K.L.S., Inc., guidance of staff and local advisory council.
- 2. Exercise supervision of all funds of K.L.S., Inc., and exercise supervision over receipts and expenditures.
- 3. Select and terminate all officers of the Corporation and the Executive Director of K.L.S., Inc.
- 4. Decide disputes between any area offices and/or employees of K.L.S., Inc., relative to personnel or other matters.
- 5. Evaluate the operation of K.L.S., Inc., in accordance with the objectives and purposes as stated in the Articles of Incorporation.
- 6. Delegate authority to or contract with local advisory councils for the performance of, supervision of, and delivery of legal services within their service areas.
- 7. Consult with and provide advice, upon request, to the various local bar associations of the state of Kansas, in matters concerning delivery of civil legal assistance to indigents.
- 8. Keep correct and complete books and records of accounts, minutes of meetings, and the names and addresses of the members of the Board, and permit all books and records to be inspected by any director, or his or her agent or attorney, for any proper purpose at any reasonable time.
- 9. The Board of Directors may authorize any employee or employees, officer, or officers, agent or agents, to enter into any contract or execute and deliver an instrument in the name of and on behalf of the Corporation, and such authority may be general or confined to specific instances.
- 10. No loans shall be contracted on behalf of the Corporation and no evidences of indebtedness shall be issued in its name unless authorized by a resolution of the Board of Directors. Such authority may be general or confined to specific instance.s
- 11. All checks, drafts, or other orders for the payment of money, notes, or other evidence of indebtedness issued in the name of the Corporation, shall be signed by such employee or employees, officer or officers, agent or agents of the Corporation and in such manner as shall from time to time be determined by resolution of the Board of Directors.

12. All funds of the Corporation not otherwise employed shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the Corporation in such banks, trust companies or other depositories as the Board of Directors may select.

## SECTION 12: COMPENSATION OF DIRECTORS

No director or member of any local advisory council shall receive, directly or indirectly, any compensation or other reward for serving, nor shall any such person or any staff member have any interest in or to the property of K.L.S., Inc., either before or after dissolution; provided, however, that the Board of Directors may authorize reimbursement of reasonable expenses by directors necessitated by their attendance at each regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors or of the Executive Committee.

#### ARTICLE IV

#### **OFFICERS**

#### **SECTION 1: OFFICERS**

The officers of K.L.S., Inc., shall be members of the Board of Directors of the Corporation and shall be designated as the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and such other officers as may be elected in accordance with the provisions of this Article. No director may hold more than one office at the same time.

## SECTION 2: ELECTION AND TERM OF OFFICE

The officers of K.L.S., Inc., shall be elected annually by a majority vote of the directors present at the regular annual meeting of the Board of Directors wherein there is a quorum. new offices may be created and filled at any meeting of the Board of Directors. Each officer shall hold office until his/her successor shall have been duly elected and qualified. Officers other than President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer need not be members of the Board of Directors.

#### **SECTION 3: REMOVAL**

The Board, by affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members present at a meeting, shall have the power to warn or reprimand an officer or to suspend or revoke the privilege of holding an office from an officer for flagrant or willful violation of the resolutions of the Board or of these Bylaws.

#### **SECTION 4: VACANCIES**

A vacancy in any office because of death, resignation, removal, disqualification or otherwise may be filled by a majority vote of the directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present.

#### SECTION 5: PRESIDENT

The President shall be the chief executive of K.L.S., Inc.; shall preside at the meetings of the Board; shall cooperate with the Board and staff in planning the agenda for meetings of the Board; shall appoint, with the approval of the board, all committees which may include persons not members of the Board; shall work closely with staff in the conduct of the affairs of K.L.S., Inc.; and shall perform such other duties as may properly appertain to the office.

#### SECTION 6: VICE-PRESIDENT

In the absence of the President, or in the event of his or her inability or refusal to act, the Vice-President shall have all powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the President. The Vice-President shall perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him or her by the President of the Board of Directors.

#### **SECTION 7: SECRETARY**

The Secretary shall be responsible for the preparation and maintenance of minutes of meetings of the Board and of resolutions presented to or passed by the Board, and shall work with the clerical staff to see that there is appropriate distribution of such documents and similar documents by the sponsoring groups and other interested groups. The Secretary shall cooperate with the staff with regard to public information activities. The Secretary shall prepare all agendas for annual and regular meetings.

#### **SECTION 8: TREASURER**

The Treasurer shall be responsible for general review of the banking, financial, and accounting functions of K.L.S., Inc., in cooperation with the staff.

#### ARTICLE V

#### **COMMITTEES**

#### SECTION 1: CREATION

The Board of Directors and the Executive Committee shall have the authority to create, dissolve, and appoint members to <u>ad hoc</u> committees as they deem necessary.

#### SECTION 2: STANDING COMMITTEES

The Board of Directors may create, dissolve, and appoint members to standing committees as they deem necessary.

#### SECTION 3: CLIENT REPRESENTATION

All committees shall have at least one member who is a client-member of the Board of Directors.

#### **SECTION 4: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

The Executive Committee shall consist of the President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer of the Corporation, and three (3) other members of the Board of Directors, to be nominated by the President and confirmed by the Board of Directors annually. At least one member of the Executive Committee shall be a client-member director.

Subject to instructions and/or limitations as may be imposed by the Board of Directors, and between its meetings, the Executive Committee shall be the administrative Board of the Corporation and shall have the power and authority to do and perform all duties and functions which the Board of Directors might do or perform, except the Executive Committee may not:

- 1. Amend these Bylaws;
- 2. Exercise the authority of the Board of Directors granted under Article 3, Section 9;
- 3. Exercise the authority of the Board of Directors granted under Article 3, Section 10;
- 4. Exercise the authority of the Board of Directors granted under Article 3, Section 12 (3);
- 5. Exercise the authority of the Board of Directors granted under Article 4, Section 2;
- 6. Exercise the authority of the Board of Directors granted under Article 4, Section 3;
- 7. Exercise the authority of the Board of Directors granted under Article 4, Section 4.

Business of the Executive Committee may be conducted by mail, telephone, or meetings. The Committee shall, at each regular meeting of the Board of Directors, report all actions taken by the Executive Committee since the last meeting of the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall have the authority to alter, amend, or refine any action by the Executive Committee since the last meeting of the Board of Directors.

The Executive Committee shall be dissolved only by amendment of the Bylaws.

#### **SECTION 5: AUDIT COMMITTEE**

The President of the Corporation shall select and appoint an Audit Committee, whose functions shall be:

- 1. To approve and select annually competent auditors who shall perform the annual audit.
- 2. To review the annual audit and to make recommendations to the Board of Directors based on the audit.
- 3. To evaluate the performance of the auditors.

#### SECTION 6: GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE

The President of the Corporation shall appoint and select a Grievance Committee to hear grievances and complaints against the Corporation. The powers, duties, responsibilities, and procedures of the Grievance Committee shall be set out by special Board resolution and incorporated in the Operations Manual of K.L.S., Inc.

#### ARTICLE VI

#### LOCAL ADVISORY COUNCILS

#### SECTION 1: FORMATION AND CHOICE OF MEMBERS

Advisory councils shall be established for each Service Area. The councils shall be composed of not more than twenty-five members and shall include client and attorney members.

Only those persons committed to the purposes of K.L.S., Inc., as provided by these Bylaws, shall be considered for membership on the councils. Substantial efforts shall be made by the Executive Director to encourage interested groups in areas to be serviced by K.L.S., Inc., including attorneys and representatives of organizations which may provide referrals or services to prospective clients of K.L.S., Inc., to become members of the councils.

#### **SECTION 2: POWERS AND DUTIES**

Each local advisory council shall have the following powers, duties, and responsibilities:

- 1. Designate the Directors to represent the particular advisory council as set out in Article 3, Section 2 (B).
- 2. Consult closely with and advise the staff of its area with regard to the functioning of K.L.S., Inc., in that area with particular regard to eligibility standards, priorities for problems to be solved, and methods of securing and assisting clients.
- 3. Assist the staff in informing prospective clients of the services of K.L.S., and securing volunteer personnel, both legal and non-legal, to assist and supplement the efforts of the staff.
- 4. Perform such duties as are assigned to such councils by other sections of these Bylaws or by the Board.
- 5. Evaluate the operations of K.L.S., Inc. in its area.

#### ARTICLE VII

#### EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The Board of Directors shall select an Executive Director who shall administer the state program consistent with the policies set by the Board of Directors, the Executive Director shall be an ex-officio member of the Board of Directors and of the Executive Committee.

The Executive Director shall, in general, supervise and control all of the day-to-day business and affairs of Kansas Legal Services, Inc. He or she may sign, individually or with the President, Secretary, Treasurer, or other proper officer of Kansas Legal Services, Inc., authorized by the Board of Directors, any deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts, or other instruments which the Board of Directors has authorized to be executed, except in cases where the signing and execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the Board of Directors, or these Bylaws, or statute, to some other officer or agent of Kansas Legal Services, Inc. The Executive Director shall have the authority to hire and terminate the employment of managing attorneys of area offices, provided, however, that such hiring or termination shall be with the advice of the Service Area office. The Executive Director shall serve at the pleasure of the board of Directors.

#### ARTICLE VIII

#### GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

Any person or group aggrieved by a decision or action of K.L.S., Inc., or its staff or any subdivisions thereof, may appeal said decision or action in writing to the Executive Director. If the grievance is not satisfactorily resolved, the aggrieved party may petition the Board of Directors, who will decide the matter pursuant to the rules and procedures promulgated by the Board of Directors. Personnel matters are to be handled pursuant to a Personnel Manual adopted by the Board of Directors.

#### ARTICLE IX

#### AMENDMENTS TO BYLAWS

These Bylaws or the Articles of Incorporation of Kansas Legal Services, Inc., may be amended, altered, or repealed by affirmative vote of sixty percent (60%) of the members of the Board of Directors present at a duly-convened meeting. Such vote shall be taken at a meeting of the Board of Directors held at least twenty (20) days after notice of the proposed meeting. Notice of such meeting shall include a copy of the proposed changes of the Bylaws or Articles of Incorporation. Proposals to amend these Bylaws or the Articles of Incorporation may be initiated only by a member of the Board of Directors.

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6/10/99	Budget
Revenue & Support	
Legal Services Corp	2,271,681
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AAA	282,818
United Way	249,055
City / County Grants	129,168
Mill Levy	65,942
Casework Revenue	330,731
KAMS	90,000
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KBA Lawyer Referral	701,058
SRS Adult	362,000
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SRS ACT	309,200
SRS PICT	1
Criminal	196,200
Reduced Fee Admin Fee	44,523
WORKS	260,000
OTAP	262,020
HRC Mediation	110,000
HHS Hotline	40,000
Access to Justice Fund	925,396
Department of Justice	149,000
MPA-HPAP	327,000
MPA-Management	145,000
MPS-Management	90,000
Attorney Gen (VOCA/STOP)	72,373
Other	124,962
Total Revenues	8,080,207
Expenses	
Salaries	4,983,195
Fringe Benefits	949,908
Space	482,631
Equipment Rental	171,165
Office Supplies	244,152
Telephone	270,953
Travel	129,937
Training	103,482
Library	62,896
Insurance	68,804
Litigation	20,000
Contract Serv./Consulting	83,485
Retainers	115,744
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Other	119,810
Total Expenses	7,806,162
Excess (Deficiency)	274,045
Equipment Purchases	151,400
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Net Cash Flow	122,645



## KANSAS DISTRICT COURT

Chambers of TERRY L. BULLOCK Administrative Judge Shawnee County Courthouse Division No. Six Topeka, Kansas 66603-3922 (785) 233-8200 Ext. 4375 Fax (785) 291-4917 Officers:
JOSEPH MARTINEZ
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LYNN KEEZER
Administrative Assistant
(785) 233-8200 Ext. 4375

June 2, 1999

Access to Justice Fund Office of Judicial Administration Kansas Judicial Center 301 SW 10th Street Topeka, KS 66612-1507

#### Dear Committee Members:

I would like to express my support for the Access to Justice grant request submitted by Kansas Legal Services, Inc. KLS provides a much needed and quality service to the people of this district.

KLS provides highly professional representation for persons who would otherwise be unrepresented in this district. In the past three years I have notice marked improvements in the ability of low income residents in the Topeka area to obtain legal advice, representation and alternative dispute resolution services. I attribute these improvements in large part to the Access to Justice project of Kansas Legal Services.

I hope that this letter will help to ensure the continuation of this essential funding to Kansas Legal Services for the benefit of Topeka residents and courts.

Very truly yours

Terry I

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EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT SEDGWICK COUNTY COURTHOUSE 525 N. MAIN - 7<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR WICHITA, KANSAS 67203-3793

DISTRICT COURT

June 3, 1999

Access to Justice Fund
Attn: Amy Bertrand, General Counsel
Office of Judicial Administration
Kansas Judicial Center
301 W 10<sup>th</sup> Street
Topeka KS 66612 1507

#### Dear Committee Members:

I am writing to express my strong support for the Access to Justice grant request submitted by Kansas legal Services, Inc. I have been very impressed with how much Legal Services has done and still has the capability of doing for the low income people in Sedgwick County. Their service has been essential to the public and to the courts.

Access to Justice funding to Kansas Legal Services helps to meet our judicial system's most pressing local needs. The new services made possible by Access to Justice funding has had a significant impact on the ability of low income people throughout Sedgwick County to obtain legal advice and representation. The Family Law Clerks office in Sedgwick County gives out the phone number for the Access to Justice office and hands out their cards on a daily basis, sometimes as few as once or twice a day and sometimes as often as twenty times a day. This has been very helpful to the deputy clerks when pro se litigants insist that we should be able to help them. It also helps us avoid giving out legal advice to pro se litigants. Legal Services is also here every Thursday afternoon for our Protection from Abuse docket to assist parties through the process of getting a final order in their case. This is also very helpful to the

clerks office because Legal Services attorneys are available to answer the questions asked by the litigants who filed the case to begin with.

Kansas Legal Services Is in a unique position to assure that low income Kansans have equal access to legal advice, representation and alternative dispute resolution services on a statewide basis. The Kansas Legal Services proposal is specifically designed to help Kansas courts lessen the burden of increasing numbers of pro se litigants.

Kansas Legal Services will use Access to Justice funds to serve many people who would otherwise be excluded from the legal system due to their inability to pay for legal assistance.

Sincerely,

Debora Cook

Trial Court Clerk IV

Family Law Clerks Office

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Marsha Spangler

18th Judicial District

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Clerk of the District Court

18th Judicial District

## The Crisis Center, Inc.

P.O. Box 1526 — 513 Leavenworth Manhattan, KS 66505-1526

Office: (785)539-7935

Fax: (785)539-8467

Hotline: 1-800-727-2785

Manhattan Shelter: (785)539-2785

Junction City Shelter: (785)762-8835

June 8, 1999

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Access to Justice Fund Office of Judicial Administration Kansas Judicial Center 301 SW 10<sup>th</sup> Street Topeka, Ks. 66612-1507

Greetings:

I write in support of Kansas Legal Services' application for Access to Justice grant funding.

The Crisis Center, Inc. has for 20 years served victims of domestic violence in Clay, Geary, Marshall, Pottawatomie, and Riley Counties. Our clients – abused women and their children – are overwhelmingly poor. Flint Hills Legal Services is a unique and valuable regional resource, providing legal advice and representation to an especially vulnerable population. Please give Kansas Legal Services' application careful consideration.

Sincerely,

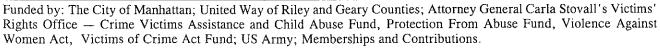
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## Endorsement To Certificate No. CEM 1906 Lawyers Professional Liability Insurance issued to the

#### National Association of Salaried Professionals Purchasing Group, Inc. and Specified Mamber Organizations

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KANSAS LEGAL SERVICES, INC. 712 South Kansas Avenue Suite 200 Topeka KS 66603

UNDERWRITERS AT LLOYD'S

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\$63,233.56

PERIOD OF COVERAGE:

From May 1, 1999 12:01 A.M. To May 1, 2001 12:01 A.M.

In consideration of the additional premium gaid and in reliance upon the statements in the application attached hereto, the above specified Organization is an Assured under the Certificate of Insurance issued to the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SALARIED PROFESSIONALS PURCHASING GROUP, INC. of Wheeling, Illinois by Certain UNDERWRITERS AT LLOYDYS, LONDON (not incorporated) for the period of coverage and limits of liability specified above. All other terms, conditions and exclusions of the Certificate are unchanged. This certifies that the attached Certificate is a true copy of the original document issued.

Date: May 3, 1999

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