

County Clerk's Standards

TOPIC: Kansas Statute Annotated (K.S.A.)

SUB TOPIC: K.S.A.

Introductory Statement: All laws enacted by the Kansas legislature are contained in the Kansas Statutes Annotated (K.S.A.), published by the Kansas Revisor's Office and distributed by the Kansas Secretary of State.

Where do I find this information?

K.S.A.'s are usually located within each of the offices of: County Attorney, County Clerk, County Counselor, Register of Deeds, County Sheriff, County Treasurer and the County Commission. They are a burgundy book with a royal blue and black stripe on the spine with the title of KANSAS STATUTES Annotated – OFFICIAL, the titles included in that particular book, K.S.A. #-### to ##-####, what order of book you have 1, 2, 3, ..., the year it was bound in a book all written in gold lettering.

Why do I need to do this?

Use the K.S.A.'s as guide lines anytime you are questioning something on the law.

Here's the Duties:

The County Clerk's duty would be to use the statutes to make life easier.

Legal Reference(s): Kansas Statutes Annotated contains Chapters 1 through 84 of the General Laws and Laws of a General Nature in Force including those enacted in the past year.

Duly arranged, numbered, annotated and indexed with histories, notes and references as required by law.

Best Practices: Kansas statutes are divided by chapter, with each chapter pertaining to a particular subject. Example would be: Chapter 25 is titled "Elections." The chapter is divided into articles, which pertain to specific subjects within the chapter. Article 1 of Chapter 25 is "General Provisions" and Article 2 is "Primary Elections".

Each statute has its own number, which includes the chapter number and article number. The statutory cite K.S.A. 25-201 would mean that the statute is in chapter 25 (Elections) and in Article 2 (Primary Elections). K.S.A. 25-2201 would be in Chapter 25 (Elections) and Article 22 (Election Expense Apportionment).

Background:

Sample Forms, Letters and Other Reference Material:



This is the Kansas Legislature site.

Sources:

- Books** Kansas Statute Annotated

- Web Sites** www.kssos.org
 www.kslegislature.org/legsrv-statutes/index.do

- Organizations** Kansas Secretary of State 785-296-4564