

MINUTES OF THE SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Jeff King at 10:35am on Wednesday, March 04, 2015, 346-S of the Capitol.

All members were present

Committee staff present:

Lauren Douglass, Legislative Research Department
Robert Allison-Gallimore, Legislative Research Department
Natalie Nelson, Legislative Research Department
Suzanne Nelson, Kansas Legislative Committee Assistant
Katherine Goyette, Office of Revisor of Statutes
Jason Thompson, Office of Revisor of Statutes

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

Joe Patton, Attorney at Law, Patton and Patton Chartered;
Cyd Gilman, Attorney at Law, Foulston Siefkin LLP;
Gary L. Ayers, Attorney at Law, Foulston Siefkin LLP;
Timothy Gardner, Spouse of Kathryn Gardner;
Michael Kaye, Professor of Law, Washburn University School of Law;

Others in attendance:

[See Attached List](#)

Hearing on:

Appointment: Kathryn Gardner, Judge, Kansas Court of Appeals, to fill a term expiring January 9, 2017

Chairperson King gave an overview of today's hearing agenda and explained the packet of materials before the members. He informed the committee that the vote on all three confirmations will be tomorrow (3/5/2015).

The Chair introduced Ms. Kathryn Gardner, the Governor's nominee for Judge, Court of Appeals, to fill a term expiring January 9, 2017. Ms. Gardner presented remarks from 10:35am to 10:50am. She did not provide copies of her speech.

Ms. Gardner answered questions from the committee until 11:40am.

Remarks in support of Ms. Gardner were given by:

Martin K. Albrecht, Law Clerk to Senior United States District Judge Sam A. Crow ([Attachment 1](#))

Thomas A. Hamill, Partner, Martin Pringle Law Firm, Overland Park, KS, and Member of the Board of Governors of the American Bar Association ([Attachment 2](#))

Unless specifically noted, the individual remarks recorded herein have not been transcribed verbatim. Individual remarks as reported herein have not been submitted to the individuals appearing before the committee for editing or corrections.

CONTINUATION SHEET

MINUTES of the Committee on Judiciary at 10:35am on Wednesday, March 04, 2015, 346-S of the Capitol.

Herman T. Jones, Sheriff of Shawnee County, Kansas ([Attachment 3](#))

Leslie Prentice, Staff Attorney, United States District Court for the District of Kansas ([Attachment 4](#))

Written-only testimony in support of Ms. Gardner's nomination was submitted by:

Joe Patton, Attorney at Law, Patton and Patton Chartered ([Attachment 5](#))

Cyd Gilman, Attorney at Law, Foulston Siefkin LLP ([Attachment 6](#))

Gary L. Ayers, Attorney at Law, Foulston Siefkin LLP ([Attachment 7](#))

Timothy Gardner, Spouse of Kathryn Gardner ([Attachment 8](#))

Michael Kaye, Professor of Law, Washburn University School of Law ([Attachment 9](#))

The hearing adjourned at 12:05pm and will be continued tomorrow, Thursday, March 5, 2015 at 10:30am.