

## 2023 Kansas Statutes

**60-312. Proof of service.** Proof of service must be filed with the court and made as follows:

(a) Personal and residence service. (1) Every officer to whom summons or other process is delivered for service must make a statement subject to penalty of perjury as provided in K.S.A. 21-5903, and amendments thereto, as to the time, place and manner of service.

(2) If process is delivered to a person, other than an officer, for service, the person must make an affidavit or a declaration pursuant to K.S.A. 53-601, and amendments thereto, as to the time, place and manner of service.

(b) Service by return receipt delivery. Service by return receipt delivery must be proved in the manner provided by subsection (c) of K.S.A. 60-303, and amendments thereto.

(c) Publication service. Service by publication must be proved by an affidavit or a declaration pursuant to K.S.A. 53-601, and amendments thereto, showing the dates on which and the newspaper in which notice was published. A copy of the notice must be filed with the affidavit or declaration. When mailing of copies of the publication notice is required by subsection (e) of K.S.A. 60-307, and amendments thereto, the proof of mailing must be by affidavit or by declaration pursuant to K.S.A. 53-601, and amendments thereto, of the person who mailed the copies. If mailing was by certified mail, the return receipt must be filed with the affidavit or declaration.

(d) Time for return. An officer or other person receiving a summons or other process for service must file a return of service not later than 14 days after the service is effected. If the summons or other process cannot be served it must be returned to the court within 30 days after the date issued with a statement of the reason for the failure to serve it, except the court may extend the time for service up to 90 days after the date issued. Upon receipt of the return on any summons or other process, the clerk must serve a copy of the return on the attorney for the party requesting issuance of the summons or other process or, if the party has no attorney, on the requesting party.

**History:** L. 1963, ch. 303, 60-312; L. 1969, ch. 283, § 1; L. 1970, ch. 235, § 2; amended by Supreme Court order dated July 28, 1976; L. 1986, ch. 215, § 17; L. 1990, ch. 202, § 11; L. 1998, ch. 100, § 1; L. 2000, ch. 175, § 5; L. 2010, ch. 135, § 157; L. 2011, ch. 30, § 214; July 1.