

Proposed New Rule 1204: District Magistrate Judge Serving as a Municipal Judge

The Kansas Supreme Court is accepting public comment on a proposed new rule: District Magistrate Judge Serving as a Municipal Judge in Rules Relating to Municipal Court.

This new rule would allow non-law trained but certified district magistrate judges to serve as municipal court judges without the need to go through another training and certification process.

Comment may be made by email to publiccomments@kscourts.gov until noon Saturday, July 5, 2025. The subject line must read “New Rule 1204.”

NEW RULE 1204

DISTRICT MAGISTRATE JUDGE SERVING AS A MUNICIPAL JUDGE

- (a) **Applicability.** This rule applies to a district magistrate judge certified by the Supreme Court under K.S.A. 20-337.
- (b) **Municipal Judge Certification.** A district magistrate judge who successfully completes the district magistrate judge certification process required by K.S.A. 20-337 also satisfies the municipal judge certification process required by K.S.A. 12-4114.