

**COUNTIES REPORTING KOMA OR KORA COMPLAINTS
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COUNTY	COUNTY OR DISTRICT ATTORNEY	REPORT
ALLEN	No report.	
ANDERSON	No report.	
ATCHISON	No report.	
BARBER	Richard N. Raleigh	No complaints.
BARTON	Douglas A. Matthews	No complaints.
BOURBON	Terri L. Johnson	No complaints.
BROWN	Kevin M. Hill	No complaints.
BUTLER	No report.	
CHASE	William T. North	<i>See Lyon County.</i>
CHAUTAUQUA	No report.	
CHEROKEE	John R. Bullard	No complaints.
CHEYENNE	No report.	
CLARK	Gerald Woolwine	No complaints.
CLAY	Richard E. James	No complaints.
CLOUD	No report.	
COFFEY	Douglas P. Witteman	No complaints.
COMANCHE	No report.	
COWLEY	No report.	
CRAWFORD	No report.	
DECATUR	Steven W. Hirsch	No complaints.
DICKINSON	No report.	
DONIPHAN	No report.	
DOUGLAS	Charles E. Branson	A complaint was made against USD 497 School Board, alleging that the board's decision to close Wakarusa Valley Elementary and change school boundaries violated KOMA and K.S.A. 72-6769. Upon investigation, it was determined that no state law violations had occurred. A complaint was made against USD 348, alleging that compliance with a KORA request was being intentionally delayed. Upon investigation, it was determined that no KORA violations had occurred.
EDWARDS	No report.	
ELK	Kimberly B. King	No complaints.

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ELLIS	Thomas J. Drees	No complaints.
ELLSWORTH	Joe Shepack	No complaints.
FINNEY	John P. Wheeler, Jr.	A complaint was made that the Garden City Recreation Commission failed to timely comply with a KORA request. Investigation revealed that the emailed request had been blocked by a spam filter. Upon learning of the request, the Commission responded and complied with the request once it was put in writing. The complaint was withdrawn. It was determined that no violation of KORA had occurred. The Commission was advised to review KORA to ensure ability to timely comply with future requests.
FORD	Terry J. Malone	No complaints.
FRANKLIN	Heather R. Jones	An allegation was made that the Mayor of Richmond made a series of phone calls to Richmond City Council members regarding a purchase. Upon investigation, it was determined that a violation of KOMA had occurred. A settlement agreement was entered into with training.
GEARY	Steven L. Opat	An inquiry was made regarding whether the USD 475 School Board was required to make available documents used as a basis for votes, and what type of notice was required for work sessions and special meetings. Information was provided regarding KORA and KOMA and how it applies to USD 475.
GOVE	Mark F. Schmeidler	No complaints.
GRAHAM	Tony A. Potter	No complaints.
GRANT	David C. Black	No complaints.
GRAY	No report.	
GREELEY	Charles F. Moser	No complaints.
GREENWOOD	No report.	
HAMILTON	Robert H. Gale, Jr.	No complaints.
HARPER	Laurel D. McClellan	No complaints.
HARVEY	No report.	
HASKELL	Lynn Koehn	No complaints.
HODGEMAN	No report.	
JACKSON	Shawna R. Miller	No complaints.
JEFFERSON	Jason W. Belveal	No complaints.

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JEWELL	No report.	
JOHNSON	Stephen M. Howe	An inquiry was made regarding whether Johnson County Community College's display of a copyright notice during broadcasts of televised meetings was compatible with KOMA and KORA. It was determined that JCCC was not in violation of KOMA or KORA by copyrighting meeting telecasts.
KEARNY	No report.	
KINGMAN	Matthew W. Ricke	No complaints.
KIOWA	Candace R. Lattin	No complaints.
LABETTE	Hillary McKinney	No complaints.
LANE	Dale E. Pike	No complaints.
LEAVENWORTH	Todd Thompson	No complaints.
LINCOLN	No report.	
LINN	John Sutherland	No complaints.
LOGAN	Margaret P. Mahoney	No complaints.
LYON	Marc Goodman	A complaint was made that inappropriate topics may have been discussed during an executive session of a USD 284 School Board meeting. The complaint was referred to Lyon County for investigation due to a conflict of interest in Chase County. After a review of the items alleged to have been discussed, the Board's attorney was advised that if these items were in fact discussed, some of the discussions would have been in violation of KOMA. No evidence of bad faith was found. It was recommended that the Board require all members to attend KOMA training.
MARION	Susan Robson	No complaints.
MARSHALL	No report.	
MCPHERSON	David A. Page	No complaints.
MEADE	Laura H. Lewis	No complaints.

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MIAMI	David L. Miller	<p>A complaint was made that the USD 368 Board of Education made administrative changes to staff without discussing them in a meeting and did not follow policy in hiring a replacement superintendent. Due to a conflict of interest, the case was referred to the Kansas Attorney General's Office. See Attorney General's report for outcome.</p> <p>A complaint was made that an executive session of the Osawatomeie City Council to discuss legal matters digressed into a discussion of employee matters. It was determined that although the session's discussion drifted to an unintended matter, it was not done to subvert KOMA and no action was taken as a result of the discussion.</p>
MITCHELL	No report.	
MONTGOMERY	Larry Markle	<p>A complaint was made that Independence Community College went into executive session to discuss procedures for voting on a candidate to fill a vacant trustee position. Because of actions by the ICC Board and a communication received from the complainant, the matter was treated as a non-violation and no further action was required of the ICC Board.</p> <p>A complaint was made that the Caney Valley Recreation Commission violated KOMA. The Commission reversed its actions, and it was found to be a non-violation. Allegations of the KOMA violation were thus moot.</p> <p>A complaint was made that the Montgomery County Appraiser did not comply with a KORA request. The claimant was advised to pay the required fees requested by the Appraiser and advise the county attorney if the records were not obtained.</p> <p>A complaint was made that the City of Coffeyville had held a meeting that violated KOMA. Upon investigation, no KOMA violation was found.</p>
MORRIS	No report.	
MORTON	Eric L. Witcher	No complaints.
NEMAHA	Brad M. Lippert	No complaints.
NEOSHO	Melissa R. Dugan	No complaints.
NESS	Craig S. Crosswhite	No complaints.
NORTON	R. Douglas Sebelius	No complaints.

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OSAGE	No report.	
OSBORNE	Paul S. Gregory	No complaints.
OTTAWA	No report.	
PAWNEE	John M. Settle	No complaints.
PHILLIPS	David O. Baumgartner	No complaints.
POTTAWATOMIE	Sherri Schuck	No complaints.
PRATT	Kenneth Van Blaricum	No complaints.
RAWLINS	Jared Holste	No complaints.
RENO	No report.	
REPUBLIC	Marlea James	Belleville City Council self-reported that it went into executive session during two meetings to discuss non-elected personnel matters in violation of KOMA. The City advised that it would cease discussing matters in executive session that would violate KOMA and would pursue KOMA education and training to avoid future violations.
RICE	No report.	
RILEY	No report.	
ROOKS	Edward C. Hageman	No complaints.
RUSH	Tony Rues	No complaints.
RUSSELL	Daniel W. Krug	No complaints.
SALINE	No report.	
SCOTT	No report.	

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SEDGWICK	Nola Foulston	<p>Five complaints were received: (1) A complaint was made that the Sedgwick County Housing Department withheld documentation regarding termination of the complainant's housing assistance. Upon investigation, it was determined that the Housing Department had properly withheld certain documentation and had provided other requested information to the complainant. (2) A complaint was made that the Sedgwick County Juvenile Corrections Advisory Board ("Team Justice") improperly conducted closed meetings regarding the awarding of governmental funds. A memorandum of understanding was entered into that Team Justice would receive KOMA training and would perform its tasks openly in accordance with KOMA. (3) A request was made under KORA to the Go Wichita Convention and Visitors Bureau ("GWCVB") for certain documents. GWCVB advised that it was not subject to KORA. Upon investigation, it was determined that GWCVB was not subject to KORA because it is not a "public agency" under the statute. The complainant was given a copy of the organization's Form 990. (4) A request was made under KORA to the Wichita Downtown Development Corporation ("WDDC") for certain documents. WDDC advised that it was not subject to KORA. Upon investigation, it was determined that WDDC was not subject to KORA because it is not a "public agency" under the statute. The complainant was given a copy of the organization's Form 990. (5) A request was made under KORA to the Greater Wichita Economic Development Commission ("GWEDC") for certain documents. GWEDC advised that it was not subject to KORA. Upon investigation, it was determined that GWEDC was not subject to KORA because it is not a "public agency" under the statute. The complainant was given a copy of the organization's Form 990.</p>
SEWARD	Don Scott	No complaints.

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SHAWNEE	Jason E. Geier	The Kansas State Board of Education self-reported an email chain between Board members and the Board attorney that violated KOMA. It was determined that a Board member had made a technical violation of KOMA by hitting "reply all" when responding to an email by the Board's attorney that was sent to the entire Board. The Board agreed to counsel its members regarding email communication. No further action was taken.
SHERIDAN	Michael H. Haas	No complaints.
SHERMAN	Brock R. Abbey	No complaints.
SMITH	No report.	
STAFFORD	Joe Shepack	No complaints.
STANTON	David C. Black	No complaints.
STEVENS	Paul Kitzke	No complaints.
SUMNER	Evan C. Watson	The City of Wellington self-reported that it possibly had violated KOMA when city council members came together at a public town hall meeting. Upon investigation, it was determined that no violation had occurred. Belle Plaine News reporters complained about a request for payment from the City of Belle Plaine for records assembled by the City for a KORA request. It was determined that the City of Belle Plaine had complied with the KORA request.
THOMAS	No report.	
TREGO	No report.	
WABAUNSEE	No report.	
WALLACE	Charles F. Moser	No complaints.
WASHINGTON	Elizabeth Baskerville Hiltgen	No complaints.
WICHITA	Laura L. Lewis	No complaints.
WILSON	No report.	
WOODSON	No report.	

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WYANDOTTE	Jerome A. Gorman	<p>A television station requested a copy of the security camera videotape from a USD 500 school bus that was involved in a fatality accident. The county attorney, district attorney, and the station's attorney discussed the legal issues involved with releasing the tape, including federal student privacy laws. No conclusion was reached prior to the air date for the station's story, and the station did not pursue the matter further.</p> <p>A complaint was made that no response was received from the Kansas City, Kansas, Board of Public Utilities regarding a KORA request. The Board advised that the failure to respond was inadvertent and that it would comply with the request.</p>