

Test Your Knowledge: Kansas Judicial Branch

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 - B. 8
 - C. 14
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 - A. Reporter of decisions
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 - C. District judge
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- 5** Which of the following would have original jurisdiction in a case involving a small claims dispute?
 - A. Municipal court
 - B. District court
 - C. Court of appeals
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 - B. Court of appeals judge
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- 7** Who is responsible for the appointment of district court clerks or administrators?
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 - B. The chief justice of the supreme court
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- 11** The current Kansas Court of Appeals was established by the Kansas Legislature for what main purpose?
- A. To oversee the lower Kansas courts
 - B. To assist the district courts in conducting criminal and civil trials
 - C. To review appeals from district courts in both civil and criminal cases
 - D. To review cases decided by the Kansas Supreme Court
- 12** Which position is not required to be a lawyer admitted to practice law in the state of Kansas?
- A. Court of appeals judge
 - B. District court judge
 - C. Municipal judge of a first-class city
 - D. District magistrate judge
- 13** What is not an ordinary function of the Kansas Supreme Court?
- A. Deciding an appealed case by reading the record of the trial and written briefs filed by both parties
 - B. Conducting civil and criminal trials
 - C. Exercising general administrative authority over all Kansas courts
 - D. Researching and reviewing the law involved in a case and writing an opinion
- 14** How do supreme court justices and court of appeals judges remain in their positions after their terms expire?
- A. By request to the governor to be reappointed
 - B. By petition to the Supreme Court Nominating Commission to be reappointed
 - C. By approval of two-thirds majority of both houses of the Legislature
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