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Question:

May a district judge serve on an advisory committee, to advise the Board of County Commissioners as to design options for a proposed justice center, which will include a jail, law enforcement, and judicial facility?

Discussion:

Canons 4C(1) and (2) 256 Kan. Advance Sheet No. 3, pp XVII and XVIII, effective June 1, 1995, approve and appear to encourage judges to cooperate with executive or legislative bodies on matters concerning the administration of justice. The design of a justice center relates directly to that subject.

Answer:

Yes, a judge may serve on such a committee.

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