## PRELIMINARY MINUTES

## CITIZENS' COMMITTEE ON JUDICIAL COMPENSATION

September 7, 1977 Room 528, State House

## Members Present

Whitley Austin, Chairman Carol Chalmers
Jack Goodman
Dorothy Goodpasture
Georgia Neese Gray
Rick Harman
Joe Jagger
Dave Knudson
John Mendez
Tom Skinner

## Staff Present

Arden Ensley, Revisor of Statutes Office Phill Jones, Kansas Legislative Research Department Paul Purcell, Kansas Legislative Research Department

Chairman Austin called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

After introductions, material collected by staff was distributed to members. The Committee then discussed additional information which staff should obtain, if available, and send to Committee members before the next meeting.

The next meeting was scheduled for 9:00 a.m., October 10, 1977, and it was decided that conferees would be heard at that time. Possible conferees include representatives of the Kansas Special Court Judges Association, the Kansas Bar Association, the Kansas District Court Judges Association, and the Deans of the two law schools. In addition, representatives from District Judicial Nominating Commissions that have problems finding nominees for judgeships will be invited if those Commissions can be identified. Input from County Commissioners is welcome as is brief testimony from any other interested person or organization.

The Chairman noted that recommendation for an ongoing salary commission was within the purview of the Committee's charge and that the Committee will ultimately have to set a definite dollar amount as recommended salaries for judges of the State but that this will not be done at the October 10 meeting.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 12:00 noon.

Prepared by Paul Purcell

Approved by Committee on:

October 10, 1977