

Resolution 2019-1456

**A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING FEES AND MILEAGE
REIMBURSEMENT FOR JURORS IN THE DISTRICT
COURT OF ATCHISON COUNTY, KANSAS**

WHEREAS, the right to trial by jury is among the most important rights to the American system of justice; and

WHEREAS, the right to trial by jury is so important that our founders included references to it in the Bill of Rights for both criminal (Sixth Amendment) and civil trials (Seventh Amendment); and

WHEREAS, the survival of the right to trial by jury depends upon the willingness of all to serve; and

WHEREAS, service upon a jury frequently works a hardship upon those summoned to appear for jury duty; and

WHEREAS, with rights comes responsibilities, and jurors owe it to their fellow citizens to perform their juror duty seriously because justice depends upon the quality of those who serve; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Atchison County appreciate the sacrifice and service of those who perform the important function of serving on juries; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to K.S.A. 43-171 the Board of County Commissioners is to determine and set the amount of compensation to be paid to jurors; and

WHEREAS, Jurors presently receive the sum of \$10 per day to attend court for jury duty, which meager amount is insufficient to express the significance of their service; and

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners as follows:

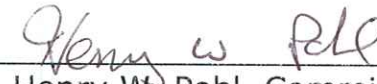
1. Jurors in the District Court of Atchison County, Kansas shall be paid an appearance fee of \$35 per day from the county general fund for each day of attendance at court.
2. Jurors shall also receive mileage, at the rate authorized by law, for necessary travel in going to and returning from court when called for jury duty.

3. This resolution shall be effective upon adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS of Atchison County, Kansas, this 2nd day of July, 2019.

By: 
Jack Bower, Chairman

By: 
Eric Noll, Commissioner

By: 
Henry W. Pohl, Commissioner



ATTEST:


Michelle Phillips, Atchison County Clerk