

Rule 615

FORMAL PROCEEDINGS

- (a) **Generally.** If the Inquiry Panel concludes formal proceedings should be instituted, the panel will direct the Examiner to prepare a formal complaint for approval by the Inquiry Panel.
- (b) **Title of Proceeding.** The formal proceeding is entitled:
“BEFORE A HEARING PANEL FOR FORMAL JUDICIAL COMPLAINTS
Inquiry Concerning Judge _____, No. _____.”
- (c) **Formal Complaint.** The formal complaint must specify in ordinary language the charges against the judge and the alleged facts that are the basis for the charges. The formal complaint must advise the judge of the right to file a written answer to the charges within 20 days after service of the formal complaint.
- (d) **Service.** Unless service is waived in writing, the Secretary must serve the formal complaint on the judge. K.S.A. 60-303(c) controls service of any papers or notices, unless otherwise provided in these rules.
- (e) **Referral to Hearing Panel.** After the Secretary serves the formal complaint, all matters relating to the formal proceedings are referred to the Hearing Panel.

[History: New rule adopted effective May 1, 2019.]