

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

ORDER

**RULES RELATING TO DISTRICT COURTS**

**FILED**

**JUN 28 2016**

**DOUGLAS T. SHIMA  
CLERK OF APPELLATE COURTS**

The following Rule 169 relating to posttrial communication with jurors is hereby adopted, effective July 1, 2016.

Rule 169

**POSTTRIAL COMMUNICATION WITH JURORS**

On completion of a jury trial and before the jury is discharged, the court must give the substance of the following instruction:

You now have completed your duties as jurors in this case and are discharged with the thanks of the court. The question may arise whether you may discuss this case with the attorneys who presented it to you. For your guidance the court instructs you that whether you talk to anyone is entirely your own decision. It is proper for the attorneys to discuss the case with you and you may talk with them, but you need not. If you talk with them you may tell them as much or as little as you like about your deliberations or the facts that influenced your decision. If an attorney persists in discussing the case over your objections, or becomes critical of your service either before or after any discussion has begun, please report it to me.<sup>1</sup>

~~Also, you may soon receive a survey in the mail about my performance as judge in this trial. This survey is confidential and is from the Kansas Commission on Judicial Performance. I urge you to take a few minutes to answer the questions and return it promptly.~~

BY ORDER OF THE COURT THIS 28 day of June, 2016.



Lawton R. Nuss  
Chief Justice