



CORONER'S AGREEMENT

The following Coroner's Agreement (hereinafter referred to as the "Agreement") is entered into on this the ____ day of April, 2023, by and between the Franklin County Board of County Commissioners and Willard B. Ransom (collectively the "Parties").

WHEREAS, the Fourth Judicial District is comprised of Franklin, Osage, Anderson and Coffey Counties; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to K.S.A. 22a-226, the Board of County Commissioners of the county with the largest population shall appoint a District Coroner for the district; and

WHEREAS, Franklin County is the county with the largest population in the Fourth Judicial District; and

WHEREAS, it is the wish of the Franklin County Board of County Commissioners that Dr. Willard B. Ransom be appointed the District Coroner of the Fourth Judicial District.

WHEREAS, Dr. Willard B. Ransom desires to be appointed the District Coroner of the Fourth Judicial District.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein, the Parties hereto covenant and agree as follows:

- I. Dr. Willard B. Ransom shall be appointed the District Coroner for the Fourth Judicial District. His term shall be for a period of four (4) years beginning on April ____, 2023, and ending on April ____, 2027, provided that neither party has terminated this Agreement prior.
- II. The District Coroner shall be granted the authority to appoint one or more deputy coroners as necessary so long as the deputy is qualified as required pursuant to K.S.A. 22a-226(a). The deputy coroners shall take and subscribe to an oath or affirmation to faithfully discharge the duties of their office to the same extent and with like effect as the district coroner before entering upon or discharging the duties of their office.



- III. In remuneration for services rendered in the position of District Coroner, the Franklin County Board of County Commissioners shall pay to Dr. Willard B. Ransom a base salary of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3000.00) per month. The parties shall also contribute to a KPERS retirement account during the tenure of this Agreement and any subsequent agreements. Dr. Ransom shall not be entitled to any benefits, outside of those expressly described herein.
- IV. The Parties understand and agree that this Agreement does not create any agency, employment, or any other supervisor subordinate relationship between the Franklin County Board of County Commissioners and Dr. Willard B. Ransom.
- V. Either party may terminate this Agreement by giving a written notice to the other party at least thirty (30) days in advance of the proposed termination date.
- VI. Any amendment or modification to this Agreement shall be in writing and signed by both Parties.
- VII. The waiver by either party of a breach or violation of any provision of this Agreement shall not operate as or be construed to be a waiver of any subsequent breach hereof.
- VIII. Neither party shall assign or transfer any rights or obligations under this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other party.
- IX. In the event any provisions of this Agreement be officially found to be contrary to law, or void as against public policy or otherwise, such provisions shall be either modified to conform to the law or considered severable with the remaining provisions hereof continuing in full force and effect.
- X. This Agreement shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Kansas without giving effect to the State's choice of law principles.
- XI. This Agreement contains the full and entire agreement and understanding between the parties as to the subject matter contained herein and expressly supersedes all prior written and oral communications regarding the subject matter hereof.

(Continued Below)



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Derek L. Brown
County Administrator | County Counselor

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement on the dates and year below written.

Dr. Willard B. Ransom

Franklin County BOCC

Name:
Title:
Date:

Name: Ianne Dickinson
Title: Chair, FRCO BOCC
Date: