

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JOHNSON COUNTY, KANSAS

In the Matter of Appointment of Attorney)
to Assume Responsibility for the Law Practice) Administrative Order No. 12-2
of Steven D. Treaster, deceased.)
_____)

**ORDER OF APPOINTMENT PURSUANT TO
KANSAS SUPREME COURT RULE 221**

NOW on this 29 of March, 2002, comes on before the Chief Judge of the Tenth Judicial District of Kansas (or his designee), and hereby considers the appointment of counsel to protect clients' interests for the law practice of Steven D. Treaster, deceased. Petitioners appear by and through Thomas Kelly Ryan of the law firm of Gates, Biles, Shields & Ryan, P.A. There are no other appearances.

WHEREUPON, the Court considers the need for appointment of a licensed attorney to manage and assume responsibility for the continuation and winding-up of the law practice of Steven D. Treaster. Thomas Kelly Ryan and the law firm of Gates, Biles, Shields & Ryan, P.A., are hereby designated by the Court pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 221 to handle the administration and management of all client matters and law office matters for Steven D. Treaster.

IT IS, THEREFORE, BY THE COURT, CONSIDERED, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that Thomas Kelly Ryan and the law firm of Gates, Biles, Shields & Ryan, P.A. are hereby appointed as counsel of record to handle the administration and management of all client matters and law office matters for Steven D. Treaster, pursuant to Kansas Supreme Court Rule 221.

IT IS, FURTHER, BY THE COURT, CONSIDERED, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that Thomas Kelly Ryan and the law firm of Gates, Biles, Shields & Ryan, P.A. are hereby appointed as counsel of record and are hereby granted the following authority by the Court to undertake any and all acts necessary for the proper representation of the clients of Steven D.

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Treaster: to inventory all client files and to take all necessary actions to protect the interests of such clients as may be necessary, including, but not limited to, authorization to enter a conditional appearance in any pending matters on behalf of clients (which conditional entry of appearance shall be subject to the appropriate notice to said clients, the Court and opposing counsel and approval of such client for continued representation); to further authorize the transfer of any such legal representation of clients to other duly licensed attorneys for the purpose of handling such client matters as may be necessary; to take any such action as may be necessary to protect the interest of Steven D. Treaster and the clients of Steven D. Treaster; to negotiate checks and any other negotiable instruments which may be payable to said Steven D. Treaster as attorney representing his clients; to withdraw and/or disburse any funds in the operating account of the law practice maintained by and in the name of Steven D. Treaster; to withdraw and/or disburse any client funds in the IOLTA trust account maintained in the name of Steven D. Treaster; to take any and all other necessary actions for the proper management and administration of the law practice of Steven D. Treaster in order to timely conclude all legal and administrative work related to the representation of clients and the financial matters of such law practice, and any other actions which may be necessary for the management and control of the law practice of Steven D. Treaster.

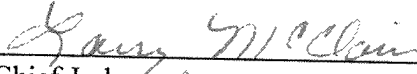
IT IS, FURTHER, BY THE COURT, CONSIDERED, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that said attorneys appointed herein shall be granted the authority to act on behalf of Steven D. Treaster in all transactions, necessary endorsements and authorizing signators, handling of negotiable instruments, withdrawals, deposits and any other matters related to the business operating account in the name of Steven D. Treaster maintained at US Bank (account number

0-090-1017-7351) and the IOLTA trust account in the name of Steven D. Treaster maintained at Bank of America (account number 778 0028 6108 4276).

IT IS, FURTHER, BY THE COURT, CONSIDERED, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that said attorneys appointed herein shall be authorized to take all necessary actions on behalf of Steven D. Treaster to protect the interest of all clients of Steven D. Treaster pursuant to Kansas Supreme Court Rule 221.

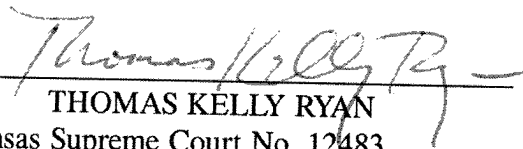
IT IS, FURTHER, BY THE COURT, CONSIDERED, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that said attorneys shall file an accounting with the Court at the close of all matters pertaining to all financial transactions undertaken by said attorneys in the course of this appointment pursuant to Rule 221.

IT IS SO ORDERED.



Chief Judge *Acting*
Tenth Judicial District of Kansas

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