

# Kansas Memory



## State of Kansas vs. Knights of the Ku Klux Klan

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Kansas Supreme Court case number 24.729 demonstrates how the State of Kansas as the plaintiff was represented by Charles B. Griffith attempted to eliminate the Ku Klux Klan as the defendant from Kansas. The State of Kansas claimed the Klan was a foreign corporation doing business in the state without permission under Kansas foreign corporation laws and was therefore breaking state law.

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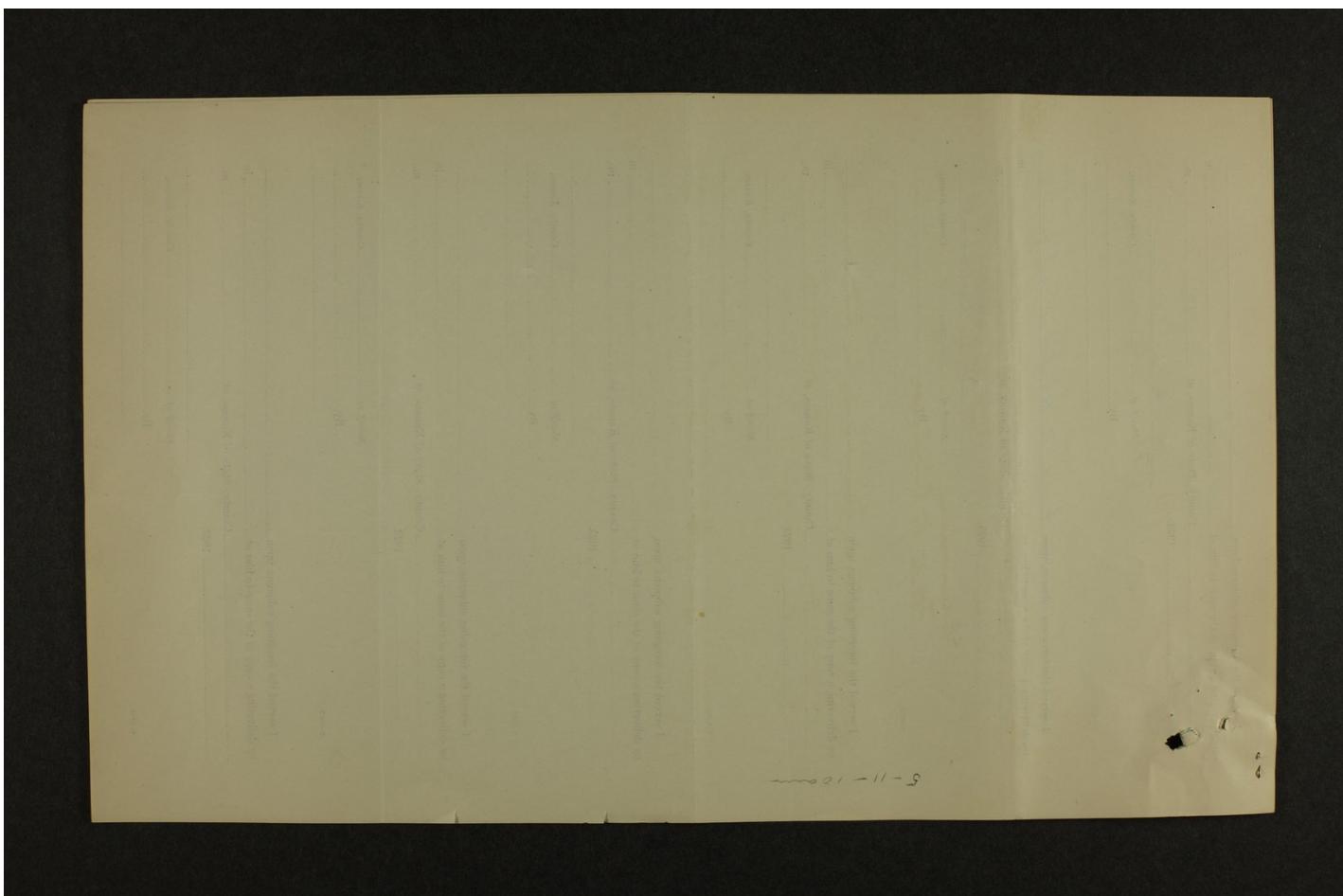
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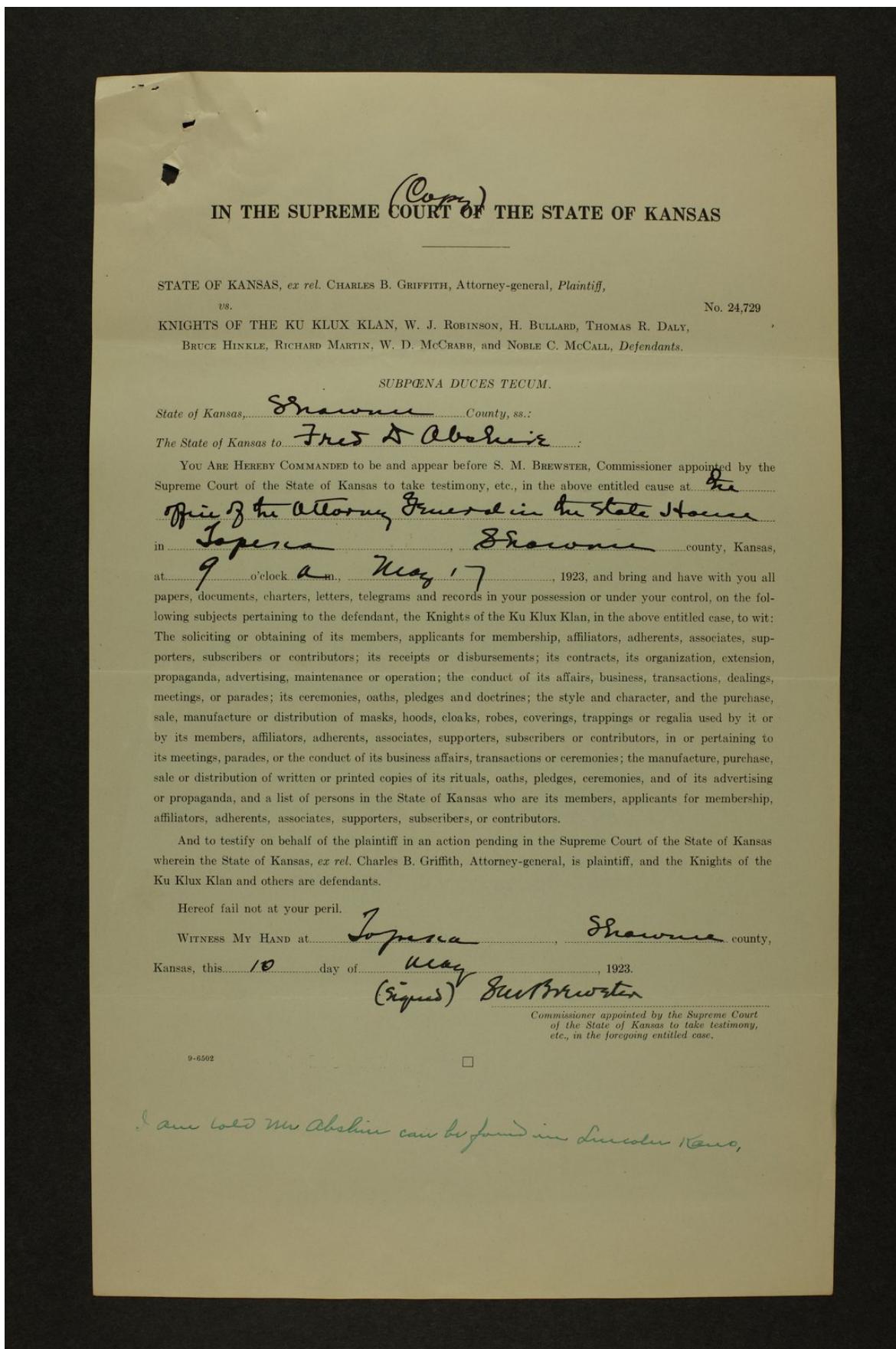


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### IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

STATE OF KANSAS, *ex rel.* CHARLES B. GRIFFITH, Attorney-general, Plaintiff,

vs.

No. 24,729

KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, W. J. ROBINSON, H. BULLARD, THOMAS R. DALY,  
BRUCE HINKLE, RICHARD MARTIN, W. D. McCRABB, and NOBLE C. McCALL, Defendants.

#### SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM.

*Shawnee* County, ss.:

The State of Kansas to *Beth Fritz and Lyle Norton*

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to be and appear before S. M. BREWSTER, Commissioner appointed by the Supreme Court of the State of Kansas to take testimony, etc., in the above entitled cause at *the*

*Office of the Attorney General in the State House*  
*Topeka*, *Shawnee* county, Kansas,

at *9 o'clock a.m., May 17*, 1923, and bring and have with you all papers, documents, letters, telegrams and records in your possession or under your control, on the following subjects pertaining to the defendant, the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, in the above entitled case, to wit: The soliciting or obtaining of its members, applicants for membership, affiliates, adherents, associates, supporters, subscribers or contributors; its receipts or disbursements; its contracts, its organization, extension, propaganda, advertising, maintenance or operation; the conduct of its affairs, business, transactions, dealings, meetings, or parades; its ceremonies, oaths, pledges and doctrines; the style and character, and the purchase, sale, manufacture or distribution of masks, hoods, cloaks, robes, coverings, trappings or regalia used by it or by its members, affiliates, adherents, associates, supporters, subscribers or contributors, in or pertaining to its meetings, parades, or the conduct of its business affairs, transactions or ceremonies; the manufacture, purchase, sale or distribution of written or printed copies of its rituals, oaths, pledges, ceremonies, and of its advertising or propaganda, and a list of persons in the State of Kansas who are its members, applicants for membership, affiliates, adherents, associates, supporters, subscribers, or contributors.

And to testify on behalf of the plaintiff in an action pending in the Supreme Court of the State of Kansas wherein the State of Kansas, *ex rel.* Charles B. Griffith, Attorney-general, is plaintiff, and the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan and others are defendants.

Hereof fail not at your peril.

WITNESS MY HAND at

*Topeka*, *Shawnee* county,

Kansas, this *10* day of *May*, 1923.

*S. M. Brewster*  
Commissioner appointed by the Supreme Court  
of the State of Kansas to take testimony,  
etc., in the foregoing entitled case.

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I served the foregoing subpoena upon Tyle Norton  
by delivering a copy of the same to him in person, Newton, in  
Harvey County, State of Kansas, at Newton, Kansas,  
5-11-1923.

Sheriff fee 50¢

9-6503

Carl E. Adams

*Sheriff of Harvey County, Kansas.*

By

I served the foregoing subpoena upon Bert Fritz  
by delivering a copy of the same to him in person, Newton, in  
Harvey County, State of Kansas, at Newton, m.,  
5-11-1923.

Sheriff fee 25¢

9-6503

Carl E. Adams

*Sheriff of Harvey County, Kansas.*

By

I served the foregoing subpoena upon \_\_\_\_\_  
by delivering a copy of the same to him at \_\_\_\_\_, in  
County, State of Kansas, at \_\_\_\_\_, m.,  
1923.

*Sheriff of \_\_\_\_\_ County, Kansas.*

By

9-6503

I served the foregoing subpoena upon \_\_\_\_\_  
by delivering a copy of the same to him at \_\_\_\_\_, in  
County, State of Kansas, at \_\_\_\_\_, m.,  
1923.

*Sheriff of \_\_\_\_\_ County, Kansas.*

By

9-6503

I served the foregoing subpoena upon \_\_\_\_\_  
by delivering a copy of the same to him at \_\_\_\_\_, in  
County, State of Kansas, at \_\_\_\_\_, m.,  
1923.

*Sheriff of \_\_\_\_\_ County, Kansas.*

By

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I served the foregoing subpoena upon \_\_\_\_\_  
by delivering a copy of the same to him at \_\_\_\_\_, in  
County, State of Kansas, at \_\_\_\_\_, m.,  
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v.s.

No. 24,729

KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, W. J. ROBINSON, H. BULLARD, THOMAS R. DALY,  
BRUCE HINKLE, RICHARD MARTIN, W. D. McCRABB, and NOBLE C. McCALL, Defendants.

#### SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM.

State of Kansas, *Shawnee* County, ss.:  
The State of Kansas to *Francis M. Winters*.

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to be and appear before S. M. BREWSTER, Commissioner appointed by the Supreme Court of the State of Kansas to take testimony, etc., in the above entitled cause at *the office of the Attorney General in the State House* in *Topeka*, *Shawnee* county, Kansas, at *9* o'clock a.m., *May 17*, 1923, and bring and have with you all papers, documents, charters, letters, telegrams and records in your possession or under your control, on the following subjects pertaining to the defendant, the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, in the above entitled case, to wit: The soliciting or obtaining of its members, applicants for membership, affiliates, adherents, associates, supporters, subscribers or contributors; its receipts or disbursements; its contracts, its organization, extension, propaganda, advertising, maintenance or operation; the conduct of its affairs, business, transactions, dealings, meetings, or parades; its ceremonies, oaths, pledges and doctrines; the style and character, and the purchase, sale, manufacture or distribution of masks, hoods, cloaks, robes, coverings, trappings or regalia used by it or by its members, affiliates, adherents, associates, supporters, subscribers or contributors, in or pertaining to its meetings, parades, or the conduct of its business affairs, transactions or ceremonies; the manufacture, purchase, sale or distribution of written or printed copies of its rituals, oaths, pledges, ceremonies, and of its advertising or propaganda, and a list of persons in the State of Kansas who are its members, applicants for membership, affiliates, adherents, associates, supporters, subscribers, or contributors.

And to testify on behalf of the plaintiff in an action pending in the Supreme Court of the State of Kansas wherein the State of Kansas, *ex rel.* Charles B. Griffith, Attorney-general, is plaintiff, and the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan and others are defendants.

Hereof fail not at your peril.

WITNESS MY HAND at *Topeka*, *Shawnee* county,  
Kansas, this *10* day of *May*, 1923.

*(Signed) S. M. Brewster*

Commissioner appointed by the Supreme Court  
of the State of Kansas to take testimony,  
etc., in the foregoing entitled case.

9-6562

not found in my County, gone to  
Washington to find him 5-15-23 but  
could not find him. called Russell, K.  
from Washington for him.

mileage *# 2.20*  
telephone *.35*

*W. C. Thrasher*

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#### SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM.

*Shawnee* County, ss.:  
*State of Kansas to Noble C McCall, A V Shook*

*C.C. St. John.*  
The State of Kansas to *Noble C McCall, A V Shook*

You ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to be and appear before S. M. BREWSTER, Commissioner appointed by the Supreme Court of the State of Kansas to take testimony, etc., in the above entitled cause at *the*

*Office of the Attorney General in the State House*  
in *Topeka*, *Shawnee* county, Kansas,

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And to testify on behalf of the plaintiff in an action pending in the Supreme Court of the State of Kansas wherein the State of Kansas, *ex rel.* Charles B. Griffith, Attorney-general, is plaintiff, and the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan and others are defendants.

Hereof fail not at your peril.

WITNESS MY HAND at *Topeka*, *Shawnee* county,  
Kansas, this *10* day of *May*, 1923.

*S M Brewster*  
Commissioner appointed by the Supreme Court  
of the State of Kansas to take testimony,  
etc., in the foregoing entitled case.

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I served the foregoing subpoena upon Noble L. McCall,  
by delivering a copy of the same to him at Douglas County Attorney's Office, in  
Lawrence City, Lawrence County, State of Kansas, at Eleven A m.,  
May the 14, 1923.

O. J. Goldsmith  
Sheriff of Lawrence County, Kansas.

By.....

9-6508

I served the foregoing subpoena upon E. G. St. John,  
by delivering a copy of the same to him at a Lawrence City, in  
Lawrence County, State of Kansas, at Eleven Thirty, m.,  
May the 14, 1923.

O. J. Goldsmith  
Sheriff of Lawrence County, Kansas.

By.....

9-6508

I served the foregoing subpoena upon as v. Short Hot, Found,  
by delivering a copy of the same to him at in a Lawrence City, in  
Lawrence County, State of Kansas, at ....., m.,  
May the 14, 1923.

O. J. Goldsmith  
Sheriff of Lawrence County, Kansas.

By.....

9-6508

I served the foregoing subpoena upon.....  
by delivering a copy of the same to him at....., in  
County, State of Kansas, at ....., m.,  
1923.

Sheriff of ..... County, Kansas.

By.....

9-6508

I served the foregoing subpoena upon.....  
by delivering a copy of the same to him at....., in  
County, State of Kansas, at ....., m.,  
1923.

Sheriff of ..... County, Kansas.

By.....

9-6508

I served the foregoing subpoena upon.....  
by delivering a copy of the same to him at....., in  
County, State of Kansas, at ....., m.,  
1923.

Sheriff of ..... County, Kansas.

By.....

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### IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

STATE OF KANSAS, *ex rel.* CHARLES B. GRIFFITH, Attorney-general, Plaintiff,

vs.

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BRUCE HINKLE, RICHARD MARTIN, W. D. McCRABB, and NOBLE C. McCALL, Defendants.

#### SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM.

State of Kansas, Shawnee County, ss.  
The State of Kansas to J. C. Biggers, Francis M. Winters  
1907  
YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to be and appear before S. M. BREWSTER, Commissioner appointed by the Supreme Court of the State of Kansas to take testimony, etc., in the above entitled cause at the office of the Attorney General, in the State House  
in Topeka, Shawnee county, Kansas,  
at 9 o'clock a.m., May 17, 1923, and bring and have with you all papers, documents, letters, telegrams and records in your possession or under your control, on the following subjects pertaining to the defendant, the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, in the above entitled case, to wit: The soliciting or obtaining of its members, applicants for membership, affiliates, adherents, associates, supporters, subscribers or contributors; its receipts or disbursements; its contracts, its organization, extension, propaganda, advertising, maintenance or operation; the conduct of its affairs, business, transactions, dealings, meetings, or parades; its ceremonies, oaths, pledges and doctrines; the style and character, and the purchase, sale, manufacture or distribution of masks, hoods, cloaks, robes, coverings, trappings or regalia used by it or by its members, affiliates, adherents, associates, supporters, subscribers or contributors, in or pertaining to its meetings, parades, or the conduct of its business affairs, transactions or ceremonies; the manufacture, purchase, sale or distribution of written or printed copies of its rituals, oaths, pledges, ceremonies, and of its advertising or propaganda, and a list of persons in the State of Kansas who are its members, applicants for membership, affiliates, adherents, associates, supporters, subscribers, or contributors.

And to testify on behalf of the plaintiff in an action pending in the Supreme Court of the State of Kansas wherein the State of Kansas, *ex rel.* Charles B. Griffith, Attorney-general, is plaintiff, and the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan and others are defendants.

Hereof fail not at your peril.

WITNESS MY HAND at Topeka, Shawnee county,  
Kansas, this 10 day of April May, 1923.

S. M. Brewster  
Commissioner appointed by the Supreme Court  
of the State of Kansas to take testimony,  
etc., in the foregoing entitled case.

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<p>I served the foregoing subpoena upon _____ by delivering a copy of the same to him at _____ <i>Carlton</i> _____ County, State of Kansas, at _____ <i>May 14</i>, 1923.</p> <p><i>J.C. Biggers</i> <i>This office in Bland</i></p> <p><i>5.00 P m.</i></p> <p><i>Fees .50</i></p>	<p><i>W.C. Hanley</i> <i>Barton County, Kansas.</i></p> <p>By _____</p>
<p>9-6503</p>	
<p>I served the foregoing subpoena upon _____ by delivering a copy of the same to him at _____ <i>In Bland, Barton</i> _____ County, State of Kansas, at _____ <i>May 14 -</i>, 1923.</p> <p><i>Fred H. Hanger</i> <i>In Atch. Depot</i></p> <p><i>11:40 a m.</i></p> <p><i>Fees .50</i></p>	<p><i>W.C. Hanley</i> <i>Barton County, Kansas.</i></p> <p>By _____</p>
<p>9-6503</p>	
<p>I served the foregoing subpoena upon _____ by delivering a copy of the same to him at _____, in _____ County, State of Kansas, at _____, m., 1923.</p>	<p>Sheriff of _____ County, Kansas. By _____</p>
<p>9-6503</p>	
<p>I served the foregoing subpoena upon _____ by delivering a copy of the same to him at _____, in _____ County, State of Kansas, at _____, m., 1923.</p>	<p>Sheriff of _____ County, Kansas. By _____</p>
<p>9-6503</p>	
<p>I served the foregoing subpoena upon _____ by delivering a copy of the same to him at _____, in _____ County, State of Kansas, at _____, m., 1923.</p>	<p>Sheriff of _____ County, Kansas. By _____</p>
<p>9-6503</p>	
<p>I served the foregoing subpoena upon _____ by delivering a copy of the same to him at _____, in _____ County, State of Kansas, at _____, m., 1923.</p>	<p>Sheriff of _____ County, Kansas. By _____</p>
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No. 24,729

#### SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM.

State of Kansas, *Shawnee* County, ss.:  
The State of Kansas to *Ned Hauckman* Claude Hawon  
*Ned Hauckman*  
YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to be and appear before S. M. BREWSTER, Commissioner appointed by the Supreme Court of the State of Kansas to take testimony, etc., in the above entitled cause at *the office of the Attorney General in the State House* in *Topeka* *Shawnee* county, Kansas, at *9* o'clock *a.m.*, *May 17*, 1923, and bring and have with you all papers, documents, charters, letters, telegrams and records in your possession or under your control, on the following subjects pertaining to the defendant, the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, in the above entitled case, to wit: The soliciting or obtaining of its members, applicants for membership, affiliates, adherents, associates, supporters, subscribers or contributors; its receipts or disbursements; its contracts, its organization, extension, propaganda, advertising, maintenance or operation; the conduct of its affairs, business, transactions, dealings, meetings, or parades; its ceremonies, oaths, pledges and doctrines; the style and character, and the purchase, sale, manufacture or distribution of masks, hoods, cloaks, robes, coverings, trappings or regalia used by it or by its members, affiliates, adherents, associates, supporters, subscribers or contributors, in or pertaining to its meetings, parades, or the conduct of its business affairs, transactions or ceremonies; the manufacture, purchase, sale or distribution of written or printed copies of its rituals, oaths, pledges, ceremonies, and of its advertising or propaganda, and a list of persons in the State of Kansas who are its members, applicants for membership, affiliates, adherents, associates, supporters, subscribers, or contributors.

And to testify on behalf of the plaintiff in an action pending in the Supreme Court of the State of Kansas wherein the State of Kansas, *ex rel.* Charles B. Griffith, Attorney-general, is plaintiff, and the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan and others are defendants.

Hereof fail not at your peril.

WITNESS MY HAND at *Topeka* *Shawnee* county,  
Kansas, this *10* day of *May*, 1923.

*S. M. Brewster*  
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Received this writ this 14<sup>th</sup> day of May 1923 at 9 o'clock A. M.

On the 14 day of May 1923 by leaving a certified copy thereof at the usual place of residence of Claude Hawk,

Who was out of the county and will not be back for 5 or 6 days.

Ted Henry has now lives lives in the State of this,

A. T. Campbell

Sheriff Marion Co. Kans.

Sheriff fees.

mileage 24. mi \$ 2.40

A. T. Campbell.

Sheriff Marion Co. Kans.

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#### SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM.

State of Kansas, *Shawnee* County, ss.:

The State of Kansas to *Ernest F. Jones*, 1207 W. Douglas St.,  
*Albert Seater*.

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to be and appear before S. M. BREWSTER, Commissioner appointed by the Supreme Court of the State of Kansas to take testimony, etc., in the above entitled cause at *the office of the Attorney General in the State House* in *Topeka*, *Shawnee* county, Kansas, at *9* o'clock a.m., *May 17*, 1923, and bring and have with you all papers, documents, charters, letters, telegrams and records in your possession or under your control, on the following subjects pertaining to the defendant, the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, in the above entitled case, to wit: The soliciting or obtaining of its members, applicants for membership, affiliates, adherents, associates, supporters, subscribers or contributors; its receipts or disbursements; its contracts, its organization, extension, propaganda, advertising, maintenance or operation; the conduct of its affairs, business, transactions, dealings, meetings, or parades; its ceremonies, oaths, pledges and doctrines; the style and character, and the purchase, sale, manufacture or distribution of masks, hoods, cloaks, robes, coverings, trappings or regalia used by it or by its members, affiliates, adherents, associates, supporters, subscribers or contributors, in or pertaining to its meetings, parades, or the conduct of its business affairs, transactions or ceremonies; the manufacture, purchase, sale or distribution of written or printed copies of its rituals, oaths, pledges, ceremonies, and of its advertising or propaganda, and a list of persons in the State of Kansas who are its members, applicants for membership, affiliates, adherents, associates, supporters, subscribers, or contributors.

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I served the foregoing subpoena upon Ernest Fikes  
by delivering a copy of the same to him at Pittsburg, in  
Crawford County, State of Kansas, at 5:20 P.M.,  
May 11, 1923.  
*J.H. Dinkins*  
Sheriff of Crawford County, Kansas.  
By.....

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I served the foregoing subpoena upon Albert Scates  
by delivering a copy of the same to him at Pittsburg, in  
Crawford County, State of Kansas, at 5:20 P.M.,  
May 11, 1923.  
*J.H. Dinkins*  
Sheriff of Crawford County, Kansas.  
By.....

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by delivering a copy of the same to him at....., in  
..... County, State of Kansas, at....., m.,  
1923.  
.....  
Sheriff of..... County, Kansas.  
By.....

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..... County, State of Kansas, at....., m.,  
1923.  
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Sheriff of..... County, Kansas.  
By.....

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#### SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM.

State of Kansas, Shawnee County, ss.:  
The State of Kansas to H. H. Kitchen, Carl McMayur, Guy Swallow,  
Walter Massey, George Shewillen, Paul Rose, Clarence Orr,  
You are hereby commanded to be and appear before S. M. Brewster, Commissioner appointed by the  
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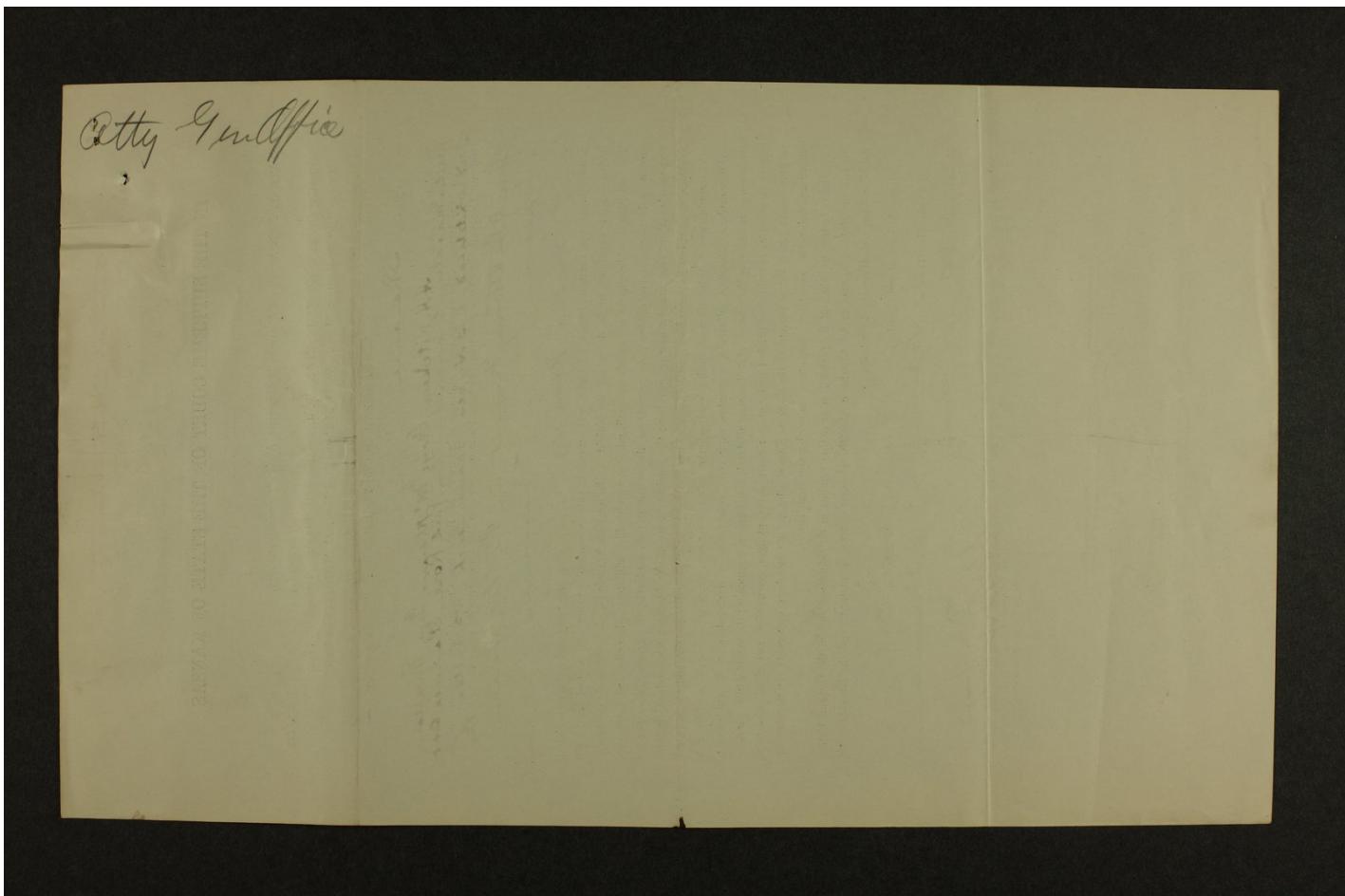
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I served the foregoing subpoena upon H H Kitchens, Carl Mc Manus  
by delivering a copy of the same to them at Topeka, in  
Shawnee County, State of Kansas, at ..... m.,  
May 11, 1923.

Sheriff of Shawnee County, Kansas.  
By.....

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I served the foregoing subpoena upon Eugy Swallow, Walter Maddy,  
by delivering a copy of the same to them at Topeka, in  
Shawnee County, State of Kansas, at ..... m.,  
May 11, 1923.

Robt Miller  
Sheriff of Shawnee County, Kansas.  
By.....

9-6503

I served the foregoing subpoena upon George Hamilton, Fred Whitham,  
by delivering a copy of the same to them at Topeka, in  
Shawnee County, State of Kansas, at ..... m.,  
May 11, 1923.

Robt Miller  
Sheriff of Shawnee County, Kansas.  
By.....

9-6503

I served the foregoing subpoena upon Clarence Orr,  
by delivering a copy of the same to him at Topeka, in  
Shawnee County, State of Kansas, at ..... m.,  
May 11, 1923.

Robt Miller  
Sheriff of Shawnee County, Kansas.  
By Wayne Horning.

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I served the foregoing subpoena upon C B Hayes, Frank Luek,  
by delivering a copy of the same to him at ..... in  
County, State of Kansas, at ..... m.,  
1923.

Robt Miller  
Sheriff of Shawnee County, Kansas.  
By.....

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I served the foregoing subpoena upon W S Fulton,  
by delivering a copy of the same to him at Topeka, in  
Shawnee County, State of Kansas, at ..... m.,  
May 11, 1923.

Robt Miller  
Sheriff of Shawnee County, Kansas.  
By.....

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Paul Rose not found  
in my county

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

STATE OF KANSAS, ex rel.,  
Charles B. Griffith,  
Attorney General,

Plaintiff,

vs.

No. 24729.

KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN,  
W. J. Robinson, H. Bullard,  
Thomas R. Daly, Bruce Hinkle,  
Richard Martin, W. D. McCrabb,  
and Noble C. McCall,

Defendants.

SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM.

STATE OF KANSAS, WYANDOTTE COUNTY, SS;  
D. H. Burcham, W.S. Stephens, A.W. Root,  
THE STATE OF KANSAS TO, J. Calvin Hopkins, Jess Baxter, C.P. Rhoades,  
L.S. Harvey, Harry Borchardt, John L. Zellers, N.V. Reichenecker,  
Walter H. Williams, T. J. Hattley, T. C. Hattley, T.R. Taneyhill,  
C.E. White, H. F. Gorsuch, Harry Hayward, R. R. Fleck, W. F. Mathis,  
J. W. Faust, Harry Lillich, Wm. J. Wright, Jr., Carl F. White, Paul C. Newell,  
Jack Wilt, G. W. Gilbert, C. E. Costello, Chas. Lillich and  
Roy Siegmund, ~~Wm. J. Wilson and Roy Siegmund and~~  
~~Lawrence Wilson of Russell Kansas~~

YOU AND EACH OF YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to be and appear  
before S. M. Brewster, Commissioner appointed by the Supreme  
Court of the State of Kansas to take testimony, etc., in the  
above entitled cause at the office of The North City Court Room on  
North Sixth Street between Barnett Street & Ann Ave. in the City of Kansas City \_\_\_\_\_ County, Kansas, \_\_\_\_\_  
Wyandotte \_\_\_\_\_ County, Kansas, at  
9 o'clock, A. M., March 28th, 1923, and bring and  
have with you all papers, documents, letters, telegrams and  
records in your possession or under your control on the following  
subjects pertaining to the Defendant, the Knights of the Ku Klux  
Klan in the above entitled case, to-wit: - the soliciting or  
obtaining of its members, applicants for membership, affiliates,  
adherents, associates, supporters, subscribers or contributors;  
its receipts or disbursements; its contracts; its  
organization, extension, propaganda, advertising, maintenance or  
operation; the conduct of its affairs, business, transactions,

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dealings, meetings, or parades; its ceremonies, oaths, pledges and doctrines; the style and character, and the purchase, sale, manufacture or distribution of masks, hoods, cloaks, robes, coverings, trappings, or regalia used by it or by its members, affiliators, adherents, associates, supporters, subscribers or contributors, in or pertaining to its meetings, parades, or the conduct of its business affairs, transactions or ceremonies; the manufacture, purchase sale or distribution of written or printed copies of its rituals, oaths, pledges, ceremonies, and of its advertising or propaganda, and a list of persons in the State of Kansas who are its members, applicants for membership, affiliators, adherents, associates, supporters, subscribers, or contributors;

And to testify on behalf of the Plaintiff in an action pending in the Supreme Court of the State of Kansas wherein the State of Kansas ex rel., Charles B. Griffith, Attorney General, is Plaintiff, and the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan and others are Defendants.

HEREOF FAIL NOT AT YOUR PERIL.

WITNESS MY HAND at Topeka, Shawnee County, Kansas, this  
22 day of March 1923.

S M Brewster  
Commissioner appointed by the  
Supreme Court of the State of Kansas  
to take testimony, etc., in the  
foregoing entitled case.

I served the foregoing subpoena upon J. Calvin Hopkins,  
by delivering a copy of the same to him at Kansas City News  
in Wyandotte County, State of Kansas at 7:45, a, M.,  
March, 24th, 1923; and upon Jess Baxter  
by delivering a copy of the same to him at Kansas City  
in Wyandotte County, State of Kansas at 2:30, P, M.,  
March, 24, 1923; and upon H. F. Gorsuch

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by delivering a copy of the same to him at Kansas City  
in Wyandotte County, State of Kansas at 8 40 P.M.,  
March 23, 1923; and upon Carl T White  
by delivering a copy of the same to him at Kansas City  
in Wyandotte County, State of Kansas at 5 38 P.M.,  
March 27, 1923; and upon R. R. Fleck  
by delivering a copy of the same to him at Kansas City  
in Wyandotte County, State of Kansas at 9 O'clock P.M.,  
March 23, 1923; and upon Jack Wilt  
by delivering a copy of the same to him at Kansas City  
in Wyandotte County, State of Kansas at 9 30 A.M.,  
March 24, 1923; and upon D. H. Burdham  
by delivering a copy of the same to him at Kansas City  
in Wyandotte County, State of Kansas at 10 32 A.M.,  
March 24, 1923; and upon W. F. Mathes  
by delivering a copy of the same to him at Kansas City  
in Wyandotte County, State of Kansas at 9 35 A.M.,  
March 24, 1923; and upon G. W. Gilbert  
by delivering a copy of the same to him at Kansas City  
in Wyandotte County, State of Kansas at 10 05 A.M.,  
March 24, 1923; and upon A. W. Root  
by delivering a copy of the same to him at Kansas City  
in Wyandotte County, State of Kansas at 9 35 P.M.,  
March 23, 1923; and upon John L. Zellers  
by delivering a copy of the same to him at Kansas City  
in Wyandotte County, State of Kansas at 12 40 P.M.,  
March 24, 1923; and upon L. S. Harvey  
by delivering a copy of the same to him at Kansas City  
in Wyandotte County, State of Kansas at 9 50 P.M.,  
March 23, 1923; and upon Walter H. Williams  
by delivering a copy of the same to him at Kansas City  
in Wyandotte County, State of Kansas at 10 22 A.M.,  
March 24, 1923; and upon C. E. Costello

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by delivering a copy of the same to him at Haydock Kelly  
in Wyandotte County, State of Kansas at 1 P.M.  
March 24, 1923; and upon Harry Bachard  
by delivering a copy of the same to him at Kansas City  
in Wyandotte County, State of Kansas at 10 47 a.m.  
March 24, 1923; and upon J. R. Tannehill  
by delivering a copy of the same to him at Kansas City  
in Wyandotte County, State of Kansas at 10 47 a.m.  
March 24, 1923; and upon O. P. Rhoads  
by delivering a copy of the same to him at Kansas City  
in Wyandotte County, State of Kansas at 2 44 P.M.  
March 24, 1923; and upon J. C. Hattley  
by delivering a copy of the same to him at Kansas City  
in Wyandotte County, State of Kansas at 4 23 P.M.  
March 26, 1923; and upon Harry Lillieh  
by delivering a copy of the same to him at Kansas City  
in Wyandotte County, State of Kansas at 11 28 a.m.  
March 24, 1923; and upon Chas. Lillieh  
by delivering a copy of the same to him at his home  
in Wyandotte County, State of Kansas at 11 47 a.m.  
March 24, 1923; and upon Ray Siegmund  
by delivering a copy of the same to him at Kansas City  
in Wyandotte County, State of Kansas at 4 05 P.M.  
March 24, 1923; and upon Wm. J. Wright Jr.  
by delivering a copy of the same to him at Kansas City  
in Wyandotte County, State of Kansas at 6 27 P.M.  
March 24, 1923; and upon J. W. Faust  
by delivering a copy of the same to him at Kansas City  
in Wyandotte County, State of Kansas at 2 32 P.M.  
March 24, 1923;

Daniel Bob Maher  
Sheriff of Wyandotte County,  
Kansas.

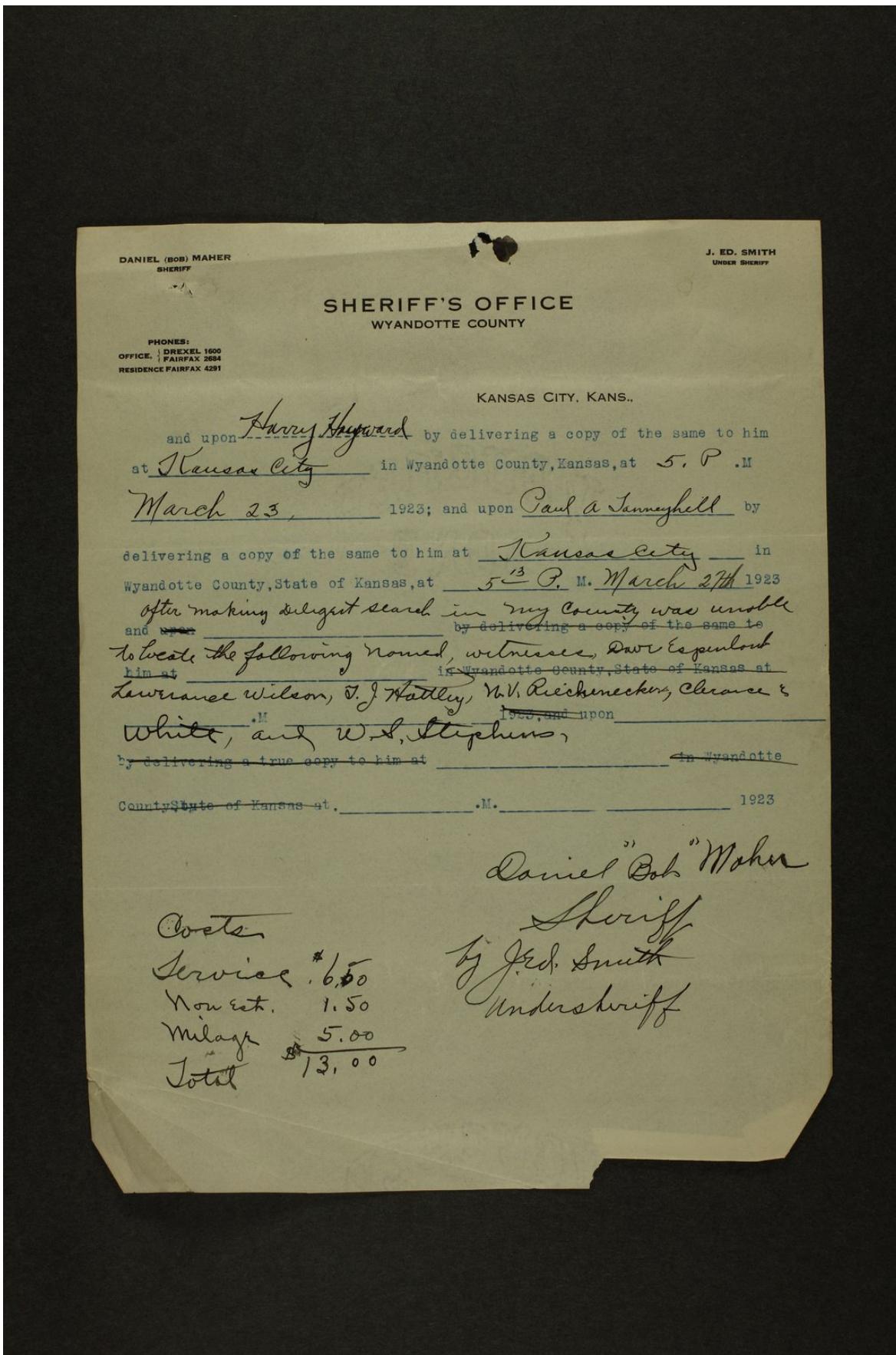
By J. Smith Deputy

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### In the Supreme Court of the State of Kansas.

State of Kansas, ex rel Richard J. Hopkins

Attorney General

Plaintiff

vs.

Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, W.J. Robinson

H. Bullard, Thomas R. Daly, Bruce Hinkle,

Richard Martin, W.D. Mc Crabb, and

Noble C. Mc Call

Defendant

No. 24729

### QUO WARRANTO.

THE STATE OF KANSAS, to the Sheriff of Bourbon County, in said State, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to notify Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, W.J. Robinson,

H. Bullard, Thomas R. Daly, Bruce Hinkle, Richard Martin, W.D. Mc Crabb  
and Noble C. Mc Call

the above-named defendant(s), that they have been sued in the Supreme Court of the State of Kansas, by the above-named plaintiff State of Kansas, ex rel Richard J. Hopkins

Attorney General and that said defendant(s) must

answer the petition of the plaintiff filed in said cause, or otherwise plead thereto, on or before the

21st day of December A. D. 19.22 or said petition will be

taken as true and judgment will be rendered in accordance with the prayer thereof.

You will make due return of this writ on or before the 2nd day of

~~November~~ December 19.22

WITNESS my hand, and the seal of the Supreme Court of the

State of Kansas, hereto affixed, at my office in Topeka, this

21st day of November A. D. 19.22

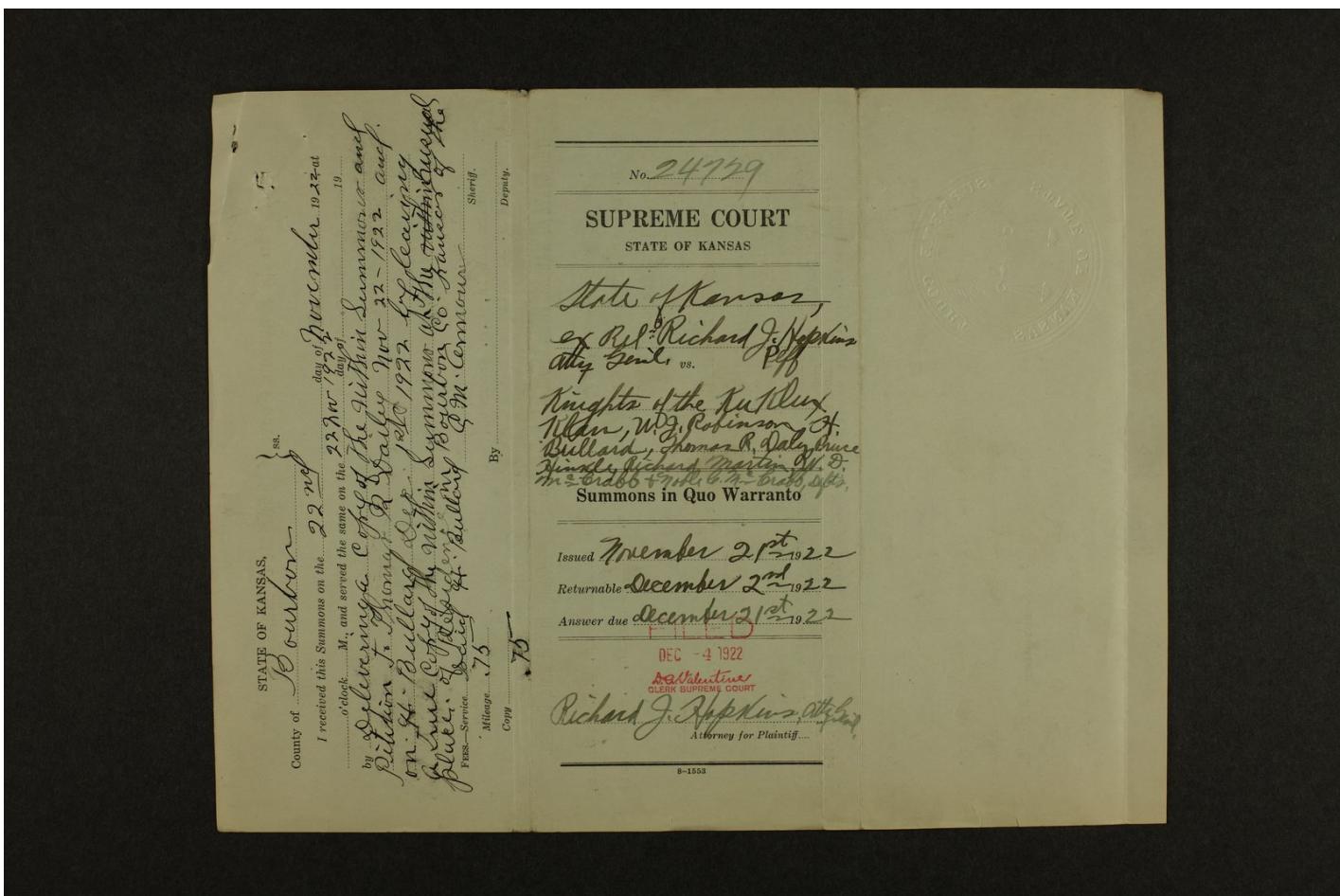
*D. Valentine*

Clerk Supreme Court.

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STATE OF KANSAS, }  
COUNTY OF BOURBON. } SS.

I received this summons on the 22nd day of November 1922, at ~~7:30~~ o'clock A.M., together with copy of the petition filed against the defendants attached, and served the same on the 22nd day of November, 1922, upon the defendant, the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, by delivering personally a copy of the within summons and petition to Thomas R. Dailey, Secretary of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, and upon the defendant Thomas R. Dailey by delivering to him personally a copy of the within summons and petition, and served the same upon December 1, 1922, on the defendant H. Bullard by leaving a ~~copy~~ copy of the within summons and petition at the usual place of residence in Bourbon County, Kansas, of the said H. Bullard.

*C. M. Cumour*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Sheriff

Fees: Service 75

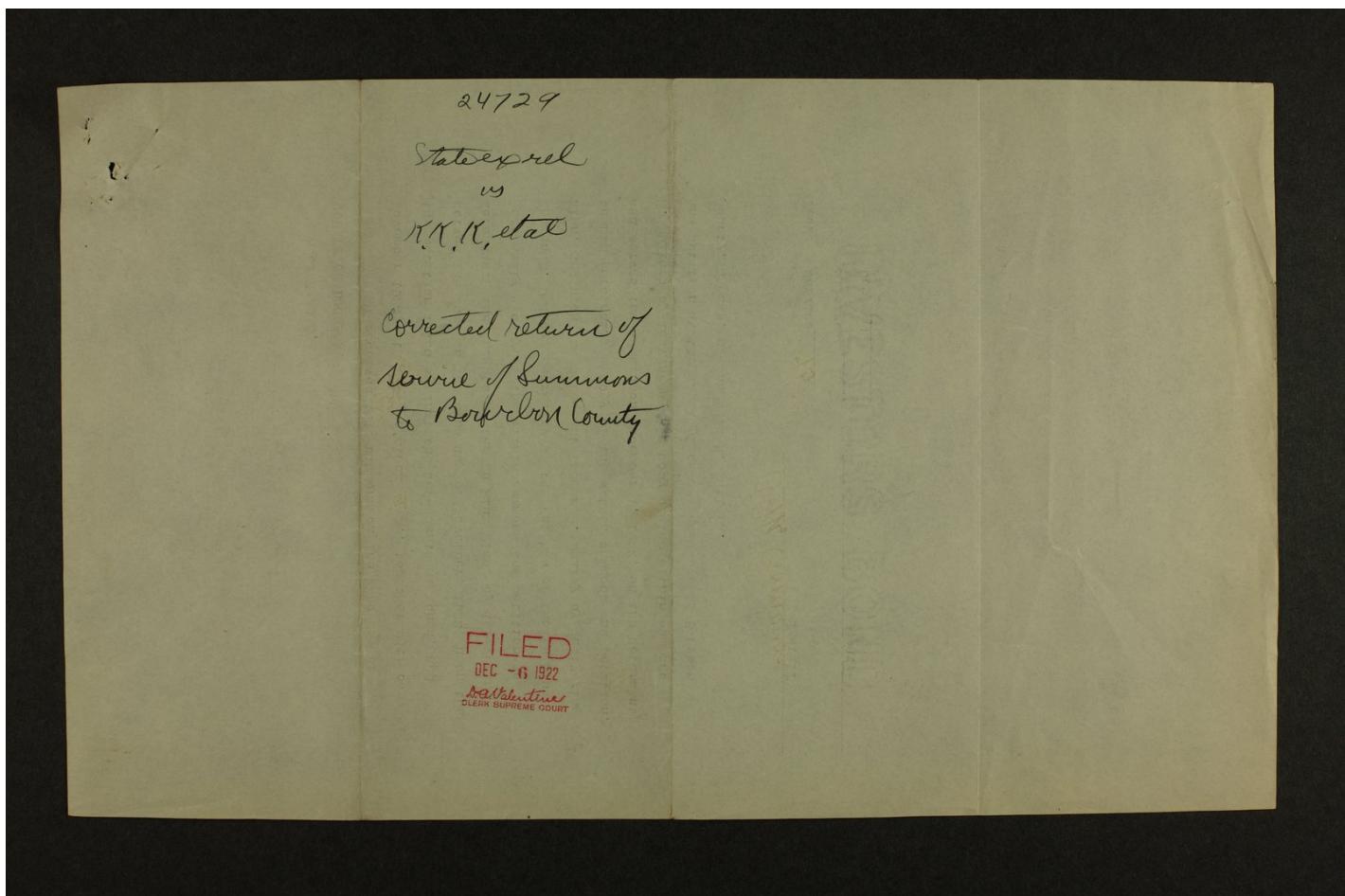
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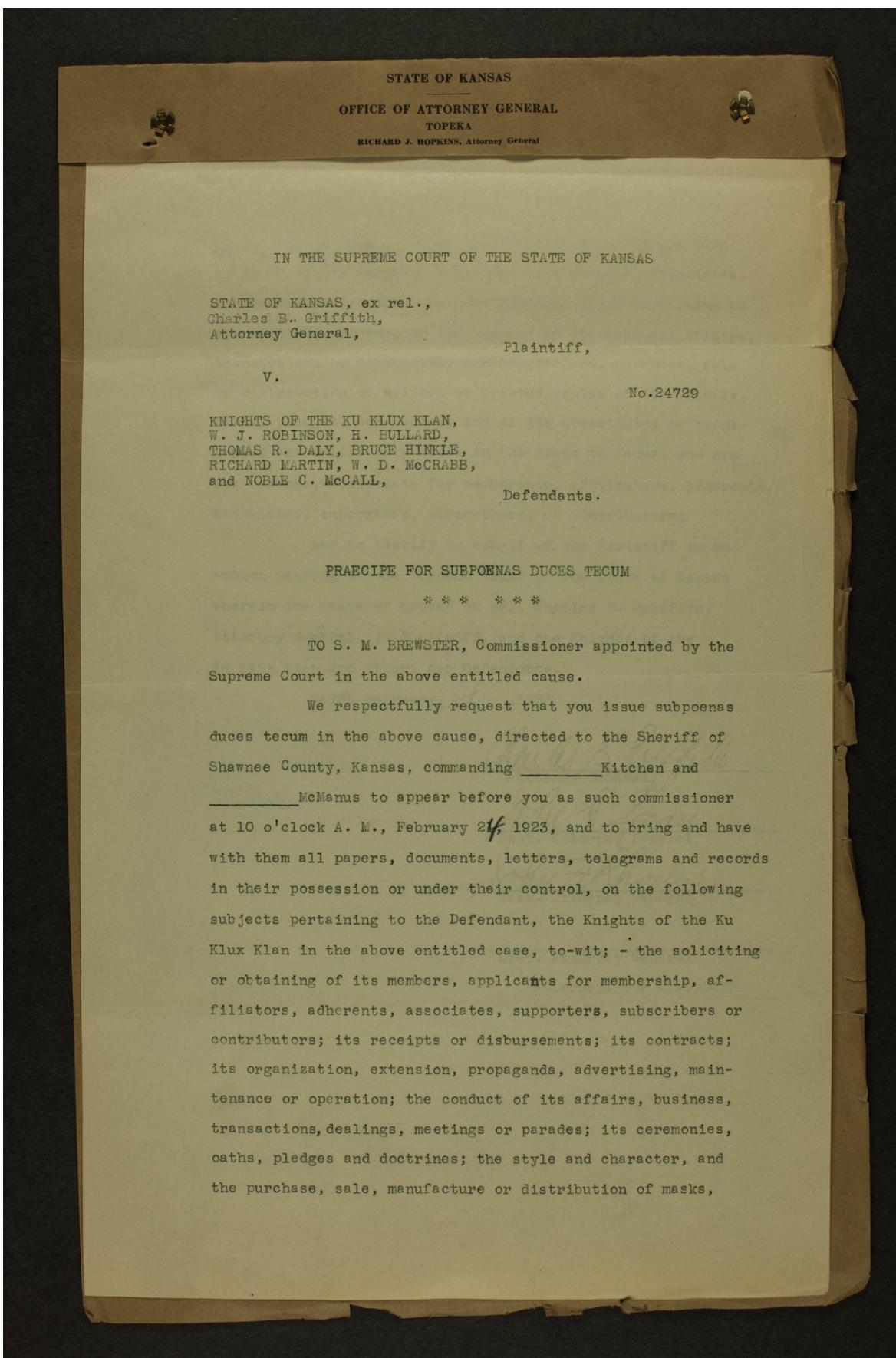


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hoods, cloaks, robes, coverings, trappings or regalia used by it or by its members, affiliators, adherents, associates, supporters, subscribers or contributors, in or pertaining to its meetings, parades or the conduct of its business, affairs, transactions or ceremonies; the manufacture, purchase, sale or distribution of written or printed copies of its rituals, oaths, pledges, ceremonies, and of its advertising or propaganda; and a list of persons in the state of Kansas who are its members, applicants for membership, affiliators, adherents, associates, supporters, subscribers, or contributors;

And to testify on behalf of the Plaintiff in an action pending in the Supreme Court of the State of Kansas wherein the State of Kansas ex rel, Charles B. Griffith, Attorney General, is Plaintiff, and the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan and others are Defendants.

DATED February 14, 1923

Charles B. Griffith  
Attorney General

John A. Sean  
Asst. Attorney General

John H. Rhodes  
Asst. Attorney General

Asst. Attorney General

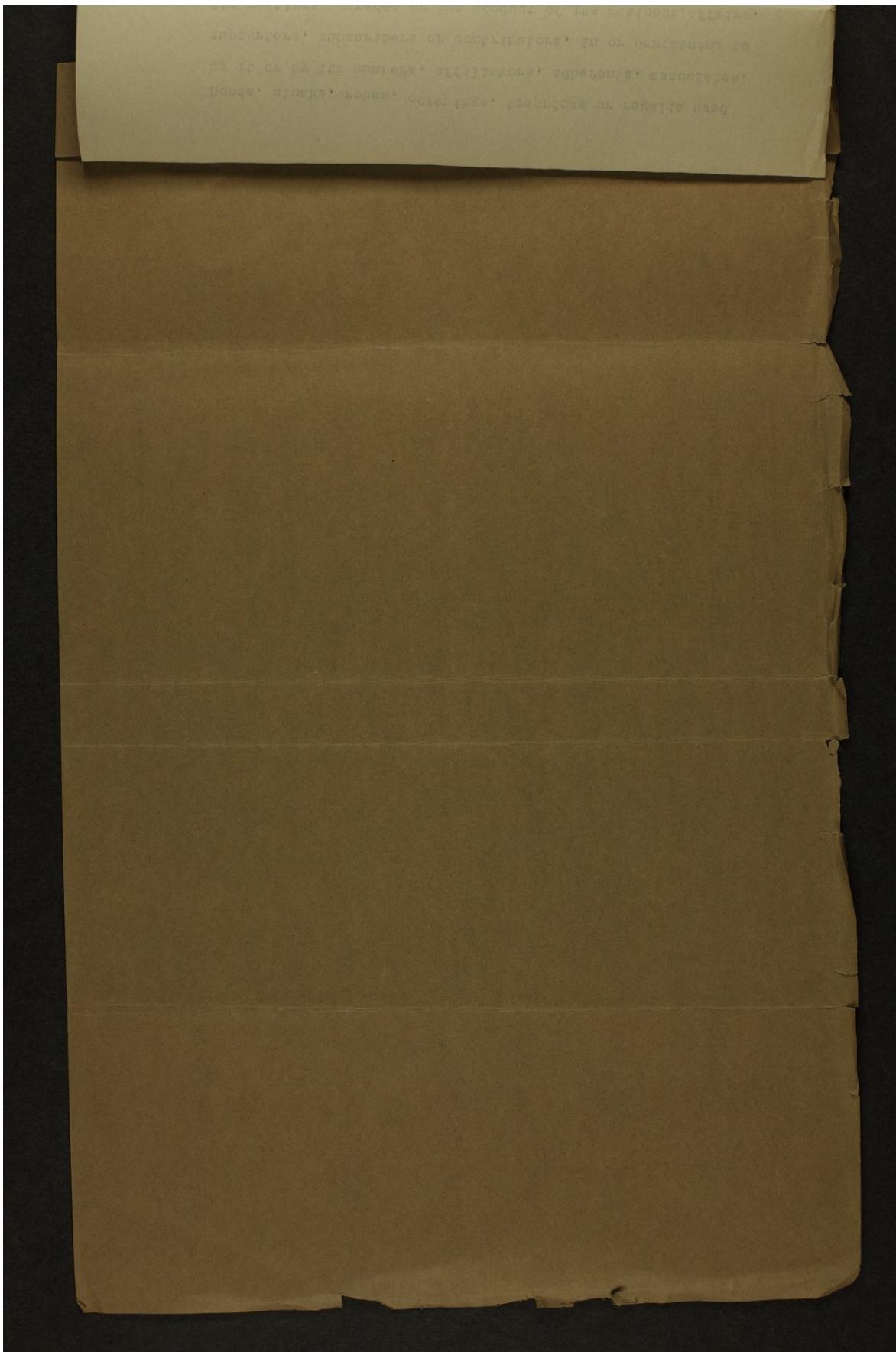
Attorneys for Plaintiff

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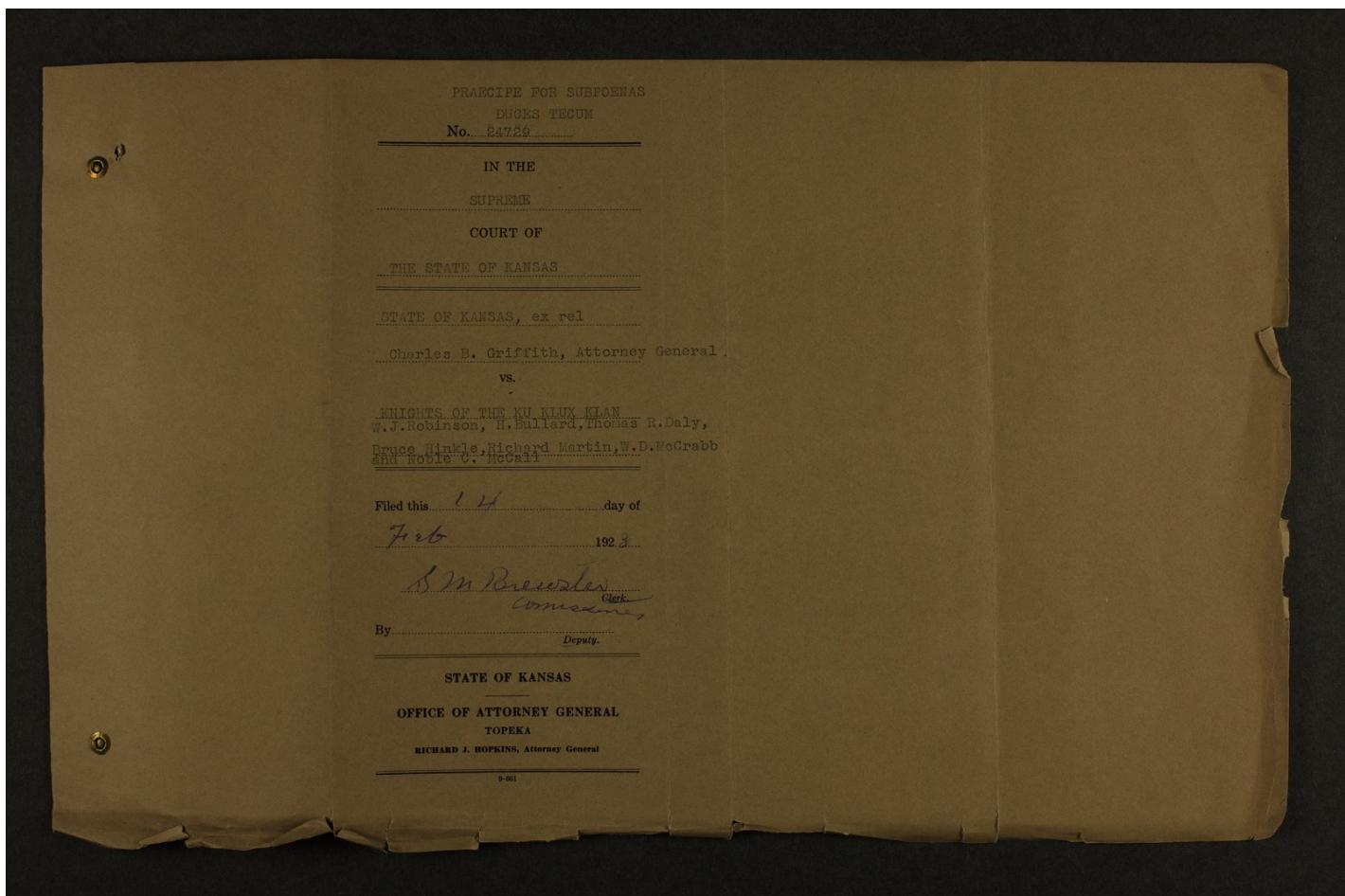
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### IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

STATE OF KANSAS, *ex rel.* CHARLES B. GRIFFITH, Attorney-general, Plaintiff,

vs.

No. 24,729

KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, W. J. ROBINSON, H. BULLARD, THOMAS R. DALY,  
BRUCE HINKLE, RICHARD MARTIN, W. D. McCRABB, and NOBLE C. McCALL, Defendants.

#### SERPERNA-DUCES TECUM.

*State of Kansas, Shawnee County, ss.:*

*The State of Kansas to William Duckett, 703 South Sycamore St, Wichita*

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to be and appear before S. M. BREWSTER, Commissioner appointed by the Supreme Court of the State of Kansas to take testimony, etc., in the above entitled cause at.....

The Supreme Court Room

in Topeka, Shawnee county, Kansas,

at nine o'clock a.m., November 14, 1923, and bring and have with you all papers, documents, charters, letters, telegrams and records in your possession or under your control, on the following subjects pertaining to the defendant, the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, in the above entitled case, to wit: The soliciting or obtaining of its members, applicants for membership, affiliates, adherents, associates, supporters, subscribers or contributors; its receipts or disbursements; its contracts, its organization, extension, propaganda, advertising, maintenance or operation; the conduct of its affairs, business, transactions, dealings, meetings, or parades; its ceremonies, oaths, pledges and doctrines; the style and character, and the purchase, sale, manufacture or distribution of masks, hoods, cloaks, robes, coverings, trappings or regalia used by it or by its members, affiliates, adherents, associates, supporters, subscribers or contributors, in or pertaining to its meetings, parades, or the conduct of its business affairs, transactions or ceremonies; the manufacture, purchase, sale or distribution of written or printed copies of its rituals, oaths, pledges, ceremonies, and of its advertising or propaganda, and a list of persons in the State of Kansas who are its members, applicants for membership, affiliates, adherents, associates, supporters, subscribers, or contributors.

And to testify on behalf of the plaintiff in an action pending in the Supreme Court of the State of Kansas wherein the State of Kansas, *ex rel.* Charles B. Griffith, Attorney-general, is plaintiff, and the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan and others are defendants.

Hereof fail not at your peril.

WITNESS MY HAND at Topeka, Shawnee county,

Kansas, this 10th day of November, 1923.

*S. M. Brewster*  
Commissioner appointed by the Supreme Court  
of the State of Kansas to take testimony,  
etc., in the foregoing entitled case.

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*State of Kansas } ss.  
(Sedgwick County)*

*Rec'd this writ NOV 12 1923 at 8<sup>30</sup> o'clock AM.*

*Returned NOV 12 1923, at 10<sup>30</sup> am. Not served*

*Pasty not in my County  
(Left here at 7 o'clock for K.C. can be found at*

*328 Lee Bldg, Kansas City, Mo. (W.A.R. Harris, Dir-Chief)*

*Few: Return 10<sup>30</sup> 80¢*

*CHESTER A. CONNER Sheriff  
by M. R. Smith, Deputy*