

IN THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF KANSAS

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2024-03

SNCO KS DISTRICT COURT
2024 FEB 20 AM 11:07:57

Re: Death of Thomas C. Henderson

NOW on this 20th day of February 2024, the court has been duly advised of facts demonstrating that Kansas attorney Thomas C. Henderson, Kansas Bar Number 8687 of Topeka, Kansas, has died and that there is a need for the appointment of an attorney to protect the interests of his clients.

Wherefore, the court appoints Jennifer Martin Smith, Kansas Bar Number 21127, pursuant to Rule 235 (2022 Kan. S. Ct. R. at 308) to review and inventory the attorney's client files and the attorney's trust account and take such action, including the distribution of funds, as may be necessary to protect the interests of the attorney or his clients.

Jennifer Martin Smith is authorized to seek additional orders to gain access to premises or accounts as deemed necessary to give effect to this order. The immunity set forth in Rule 238 (2022 Kan. S. Ct. R. at 312) shall be afforded to Jennifer Martin Smith in the performance of the responsibilities set forth in this order. Jennifer Martin Smith is further authorized to take any action deemed to be necessary to protect the interests of the clients.

Jennifer Martin Smith is authorized to delegate various legal duties to other attorneys with the approval of the client and/or the court. Pursuant to Rule 235(b) (2022 Kan. S. Ct. R. at 308), the attorneys shall not disclose any information contained in the client files except as necessary to carry out the order of the court.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated this the 20th day of February, 2024.


Chief Judge Steven R. Ebberts
Third Judicial District