

**23-2211. Parties.** (a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (b), the child, the mother, each man presumed to be the father under K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 23-2208, and amendments thereto, and each man alleged to be the father shall be made parties or, if not subject to the jurisdiction of the court, shall be given notice of the action in a manner prescribed by the court and shall be afforded the opportunity to be heard. If a man alleged or presumed to be the father is a minor, the court shall cause notice of the pendency of the proceedings and copies of the pleadings on file to be served upon the parents or guardian of the minor and shall appoint a guardian ad litem who shall be an attorney to represent the minor in the proceedings. If the parents or guardian of the minor cannot be found, notice shall be served in the manner directed by the court.

(b) In an action to establish an order for support of the child, failure to join any person as a party shall not deprive the court of jurisdiction to determine whether a party to the action has a duty to support the child and, if so, to enter an order for support.

**History:** L. 1985, ch. 114, § 8; L. 1986, ch. 157, § 1; L. 1994, ch. 292, § 7; July 1.