

2021 Kansas Statutes

23-36,701. **Definitions.** In this part:

- (a) "Application" means a request under the convention by an obligee or obligor, or on behalf of a child, made through a central authority for assistance from another central authority.
- (b) "Central authority" means the entity designated by the United States or a foreign country described in K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 23-36,102(e)(4), and amendments thereto, to perform the functions specified in the convention.
- (c) "Convention support order" means a support order of a tribunal of a foreign country described in K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 23-36,102(e)(4), and amendments thereto.
- (d) "Direct request" means a petition filed by an individual in a tribunal of this state in a proceeding involving an obligee, obligor or child residing outside the United States.
- (e) "Foreign central authority" means the entity designated by a foreign country described in K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 23-36,102(e)(4), and amendments thereto, to perform the functions specified in the convention.
- (f) "Foreign support agreement":
 - (1) Means an agreement for support in a record that:
 - (A) Is enforceable as a support order in the country of origin;
 - (B) has been:
 - (i) Formally drawn up or registered as an authentic instrument by a foreign tribunal; or
 - (ii) authenticated by, or concluded, registered, or filed with a foreign tribunal; and
 - (C) may be reviewed and modified by a foreign tribunal; and
 - (2) includes a maintenance arrangement or authentic instrument under the convention.
- (g) "United States central authority" means the secretary of the United States department of health and human services.

History: L. 1994, ch. 301, § 78; L. 2015, ch. 64, § 57; July 1.