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## **OPEN MEETING NOTICE**

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## **COMMISSIONERS ANNOUNCE DEATH OF BILL MEEK,** **SEDGWICK COUNTY REGISTER OF DEEDS**

(Sedgwick County, Kan.) – The Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners is sad to report that Sedgwick County Register of Deeds Bill Meek died this morning, January 10. Meek was 71 years old.

Meek was appointed in April 1998 to fill a term of office, and first elected as Register of Deeds in November 2000. Prior to his election, Bill had worked at Sedgwick County in Code Enforcement. He had more than 25 years of service in Sedgwick County.

“We are deeply saddened by the loss of our colleague and fellow elected official,” said Sedgwick County Commission Chairman Richard Ranzau. “Bill brought the highest professionalism to the Register of Deeds office, and implemented technology enhancements that resulted in greater efficiency and transparency during his terms of service. We will miss him greatly on our team.”

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In addition to his local elected position, Meek served as President of the state Register of Deeds Association. He also served as the Legislative Chair for the Association, often testifying on behalf of county Register of Deeds from all across the state. Meek is survived by his wife Judy.

“Bill loved being part of the Sedgwick County organization and encouraged his employees to provide the highest customer service,” said Tonya Buckingham, Deputy Register of Deeds. “He was well-respected by his employees, and his leadership, knowledge and experience will be missed by many, both in our county and across the state.”

The replacement for the Sedgwick County Register of Deeds will be elected by the Sedgwick County Republican Party precinct committee men and women, at a meeting to be held within 21 days. After this process, the Governor has 10 days to make the election/appointment official.

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