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Andrew French is the Chairperson of the Kansas Corporation Commission. He was initially appointed to the KCC by Kansas Governor Laura Kelly in 2020 and was reappointed to a second four-year term in 2024. The KCC regulates Kansas electric and natural gas utilities, oil and gas production, and commercial motor carrier activities within the State.

French is Kansas's representative to the Southwest Power Pool and regularly participates in SPP stakeholder groups, including the Regional State Committee. French also served as a member of the

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's Joint Federal-State Task Force on Electric Transmission for its full duration from 2021 to 2024.

Before his appointment to the KCC, French practiced law with a focus on energy policy and the regulation of utility rates and services. He represented a broad spectrum of energy stakeholders, including large industrial energy customers, school districts, and a natural gas utility company. Prior to his work in private practice, French was a staff litigation attorney with the KCC.

Commissioner French has a degree in Environmental Studies from the University of Kansas and a Juris Doctor degree from the University of Kansas School of Law. He lives with his wife and two sons in Lenexa, Kansas.

