RECENT FACULTY SCHOLARSHIP


Professor Kobach also writes opinion pieces regularly for major national publications--most frequently the New York Post and Human Events. From time to time, he also writes for local publications like the Kansas City Star. He has written more than a dozen such pieces in the last five years, usually on constitutional law or immigration law subjects. An example of one his recent New York Post pieces may be found at http://www.nypost.com/php/pfriendly/print.php?url=http://www.nypost.com/postopinion/opedcolumnists/supreme_fudge_opedcolumnists_kris_w__kobach.htm. For a listing of Professor Kobach's most recent opinion pieces, see http://www.law.umkc.edu/faculty/kobach.htm.
RECENT FACULTY ELECTRONIC PUBLICATIONS

_http://www.heritage.org/Research/Immigration/wm1083.cfm_

_Terrorist Loophole: Senate Bill Disarms Law Enforcement_, The Heritage Foundation, (2006), 
_http://www.heritage.org/Research/Immigration/wm1092.cfm_

RECENT FACULTY PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY

Counsel to the Attorney General John Ashcroft, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. 
(Served as the Attorney General’s chief legal and policy advisor on immigration law, border 
2003.


Appointed by the Kansas Attorney General Phill Kline to the Community Advisory Committee 
of the Sunflower Foundation, Apr. 2005-present (Counsel and Advisor).

Testified before the U.S. Senate Committee on Judiciary, Subcommittee on Immigration, Border 

Testified before the Utah Joint Interim Committee on Education, regarding the legality under 
federal law of a state statute providing in-state tuition rates to illegal aliens, June 15, 2005 
(Expert Witness).

Testified before the U.S. Senate Committee on Judiciary, Subcommittee on Immigration, Border 
Security and Citizenship, regarding coordinated enforcement of immigration laws to stop 

Testified before the Kansas State Senate on Judiciary, regarding human trafficking, Feb. 16, 
2005 (Expert Witness).

Testified before the Utah State House Committee on Education, regarding the legality under 
federal law of a state statute providing in-state tuition rates to illegal aliens, Feb. 11, 2005 
(Expert Witness).

Testified before the Kansas State House Committee on Federal and State Affairs, regarding 
marriage amendment to state constitution, Jan. 25, 2005 (Expert Witness).

Testified before the House Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security, and Claims, 
regarding the CLEAR Act and the legal authority for state and local law enforcement officers to 

Foreign Press Center Briefing, National Security Entry-Exit Registration System (NSEERS), Washington, DC, Jan. 18, 2003 (http://fpc.state.gov/16739.htm).

*The Kris Kobach Show*, a weekly talk radio program addressing current legal issues on Kansas City’s largest news radio station, 980 KMBZ, Jan. 2005-present (Host).


*Debate on the USA PATRIOT Act*, 710 KCMO FOX News & Talk Radio, hosted by the ACLU, Uptown Theater, Kansas City, Apr. 6, 2004 (Radio Interview).

*Regarding the Marriage Amendment*, 710 KCMO FOX News & Talk Radio, Apr. 4, 2005 (Radio Interview).


Debate on the USA PATRIOT Act, Hosted by the Dole Institute of Politics, University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas, May 8, 2004.


The Patriot War, KAN. CITY STAR, Mar. 01, 2004, at 29.

Debate on the Future of Immigration Policy, Hosted by the Mid-America Immigration Reform Coalition and the UMKC student chapters of the Federalist Society and the ACLU, University of Missouri, Kansas City, Kansas City, Missouri, Jan. 22, 2004.


Progress under NSEERS, Migration Policy Institute, Washington, DC, Apr. 25, 2003 (Panelist).

Civil Liberties in a Time of Terror, The John B. Gage Lecture of the UMKC School of Law, Kansas City, Missouri, Apr. 9, 2003.

Quoted, Security Measures Slow Border Traffic Mayors Blame 9-11 Aftermath, The CAPITAL TIMES (Madison, WI); June 18, 2002.

Quoted by the U.S. Supreme Court in Cook v. Gralike, 121 S. Ct. 1029, 1037, n. 15 (2001).

Amicus Curiae, Cook v. Gralike, and participated in oral arguments before the United States Court of Appeals-Eighth Circuit, on behalf of the State of Missouri, June 2001.
(Too) Much Ado on Church and State, NEW YORK POST, Feb. 20, 2001 at 39.
Ashcroft’s Real Record, NEW YORK POST, Jan. 8, 2001 at 29.
The Framers’ Design, NEW YORK POST, Dec. 20, 2000 at 45.
Judicial Power Play, NEW YORK POST, Dec. 9, 2000 at 29.
Al’s Supreme Doom, NEW YORK POST, Nov. 29, 2000 at 33.
To Misread a Statute, NEW YORK POST, Nov. 21, 2000 at 45.
U.S. Federalism Displays its Merits, KAN. CITY STAR, Nov. 21, 2000 at B-8.
Upcoming First Amendment Decisions with Implications for Municipal Law, Kansas City Municipal Bar Association CLE Presentation, Kansas City, Missouri, Nov. 17, 2000.
Recent Supreme Court Decisions in Municipal Law, Kansas City Municipal Bar Association, Kansas City, Missouri, July 18, 2000.
Cook v. Gralike (amicus brief regarding the constitutionality of Missouri’s voter instructions and accompanying ballot notations regarding term limits) (U.S. Supreme Court, June 2000).
Petroleum Use and the Impacts on Society, Environmental Forum of the UMKC School of Law, Kansas City, Missouri, Feb. 17, 2000 (Moderator).
Clarifying the Limits of Washington’s Authority, KAN. CITY STAR, Jan. 23, 2000 at B-8.
City Council Member, Overland Park, Kansas, Apr. 1999-Aug. 2001.
Appeared on more than 100 national or local television/radio programs to explain constitutional and legal issues, on the following topics: the constitutional rights of juveniles, racial bias in the cutting of municipal basketball courts, noise ordinances, the Timothy McVeigh
case, constitutional and privacy issues raised by the use of personal monitoring and thermal imagining devices, the constitutionality of community and faith-based initiatives, the role of law in American culture, school desegregation cases, partisan v. non-partisan elections, the Supreme Court Case of *Widmar v. Vincent*, the constitutional limits of the pardon power, the constitutionality of impeaching a President who has left office, the Bush Administration, electoral reform, and the Supreme Court, the Ashcroft confirmation hearings, the decision of the U.S. Supreme Court in *Bush v. Gore*, analysis of the various legal challenges in the Florida Presidential election, the decision of the U.S. Supreme Court in *George W. Bush v. Palm Beach County Canvassing Board*, legal issues in the wake of the 2000 election, First Amendment constraints on anti-soliciting ordinances, the law regulating Missouri’s Senate race in the wake of Governor Mel Carnahan’s death, important decisions of the October 1999 Supreme Court Term, the decision of the Supreme Court in *United States v. Morrison*, gun control, the insanity defense, civil forfeiture statutes, student-led prayer at football games, the applicability of state anti-discrimination law to the Boy Scouts, *Roe v. Wade* and the Constitution, the historical development of the British and American legal systems, Second Amendment issues, the status of *Miranda* warnings, the use of confessions in criminal cases, the impeachment trial in the U.S. House and Senate, perjury, what the Framers of the Constitution meant by “High Crimes and Misdemeanors,” hate crimes, executive privilege, Kenneth Starr’s report to Congress, eminent domain and condemnation controversies, and various other analyses of recent decisions by the U.S. Supreme Court, 1998-present.

Periodic guest on *The Walt Bodine Show*, KCUR Radio (NPR), Kansas City, Missouri, as part of the Word Mavens group, covering such topics as: overused and underused words, the language of love, common grammatical errors, fighting words, the origins of weather and season words, the origins of crime and police words, word play and jokes, the incorporation of foreign words into the English language, the origins of drinking words, legal words and phrases in common parlance, puns and other forms of word play, the origins of clothing words and phrases, the origins of sports words and phrases, the origins of food words and phrases, the origins of political words and phrases, the origins of animal phrases, and the origins of English words and phrases, Aug. 1999-present.