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$$\rho(g)\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} k_i g_i\right) := \sum_{i=1}^{n} k_i (gg_i)$$

for $k_i \in K$, $g, g_i \in G$.

Equivalently, the regular representation is the induced representation on G of the trivial representation on the subgroup $\{1\}$ of G.