

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

In the Matter of:)
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ESTABLISHMENT OF) Administrative Order
ARIZONA APPELLATE CASE) No. 2016 - 51
PROCESSING STANDARDS)
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On November 4, 2015, the Steering Committee on Appellate Case Processing Standards (the Committee) was created through Administrative Order No. 2015-90. The Committee was charged with reviewing the national time standards for processing cases in the appellate courts and recommending standards for Arizona. The Committee’s final recommendations were reviewed by the Supreme Court and then presented as modified to the Arizona Judicial Council which voted to recommend approval on June 20, 2016.

Therefore, pursuant to Article VI, Section 3, of the Arizona Constitution,

IT IS ORDERED that the case processing standards set forth in Appendix “A” are adopted and effective beginning July 1, 2016.

Dated this 29th day of June, 2016.

SCOTT BALES
Chief Justice

Appendix A
Appellate Time Standards

Supreme Court

Criminal, Civil and Industrial Commission Cases	(Initial filing to discretionary review decision)	75% decided within 150 days	95% decided within 280 days
	(Case accepted to disposition)	75% disposed within 180 days	95% disposed within 240 days
Family and Juvenile Cases	(Initial filing to discretionary review decision)	75% decided within 125 days	95% decided within 150 days
	(Case accepted to disposition)	75% disposed within 120 days	95% disposed within 180 days
Special Actions	(Initial filing to discretionary review decision)	75% decided within 70 days	95% decided within 120 days
	(Case accepted to disposition)	75% disposed within 40 days	95% disposed within 80 days

Court of Appeals (all measures are from filing to disposition)

Criminal Cases	75% disposed within 450 days	95% disposed within 600 days
Civil Cases	75% disposed within 390 days	95% disposed within 500 days
Family Cases	75% disposed within 345 days	95% disposed within 425 days
Juvenile	75% disposed within 190 days	95% disposed within 220 days
Industrial Commission	75% disposed within 285 days	95% disposed within 365 days
Special Actions	75% disposed within 40 days	95% disposed within 80 days