

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

In the Matter of:)
)
WAIVER OF PROBATION) Administrative Order
OFFICER MINIMUM HIRING) No. 2020 - 108
REQUIREMENTS FOR THE)
COCHISE COUNTY JUVENILE)
PROBATION DEPARTMENT)
_____)

A.R.S. § 8-203 (C) provides, “Probation department personnel shall qualify under minimum standards of experience and education established by the supreme court. The Arizona Code of Judicial Administration (ACJA) § 6-106(F)(3)(a), Personnel Practices, states that probation officers must possess “At minimum, a bachelor’s degree with a preference in the behavior sciences or a related field from an accredited college or university.”

The Presiding Judge of the Superior Court in Cochise County has requested a waiver of this requirement. Cochise County has experienced a hardship in the ability to recruit deputy probation officers who meet educational experience requirements as stated in ACJA § 6-106(F)(3)(a). Cochise County has identified a current adult probation court assistant applicant who does not have the required probation officer educational experience as stated in ACJA §6-106(F)(3)(a) for hire as a probation officer. The waiver will permit the Cochise County Probation Department to hire Evelyn Burgos for the position of probation officer, contingent on meeting these requirements within a year from the date of this order.

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

IT IS ORDERED that a waiver of ACJA § 6-106(F)(3)(a) is granted regarding the educational requirements allowing the Cochise County Probation Department to appoint Evelyn Burgos to the position of probation officer.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this waiver is effective on and after the date of signature.

Dated this 9th day of July, 2020.

ANN A. SCOTT TIMMER
Vice Chief Justice