IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

Supreme Court No. R-03-0020

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ORDER AMENDING RULES 2 AND 6,
RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR JUDICIAL PERFORMANCE REVIEW

IT IS ORDERED that Rules 2 and 6, Rules of Procedure for Judicial Performance Review, as currently in effect, be amended in accordance with the attachments hereto,* effective as of the date of signing.

DATED in the City of Phoenix, Arizona at the Arizona Courts Building, this <u>27th</u>day of April, 2004.

For the Court:

CHARLES E. JONES

Chief Justice

^{*} Changes or additions in text are indicated by <u>underlining</u> and deletions from text are indicated by <u>strikeouts</u>.

RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR JUDICIAL PERFORMANCE REVIEW IN THE STATE OF ARIZONA

Rule 2. Commission on Judicial Performance Review

A system of periodic review of the performance of each judge and justice subject to retention shall be administered by the Commission on Judicial Performance Review. The activities and operations of the Commission shall be governed by the following provisions:

- (a) Composition of the Commission. The Commission shall be composed of not more than 30 34 members appointed by the Supreme Court. The Commission shall be composed of members of the public, attorneys lawyers, and judges and legislators. No more than two legislative members may be from the same political party. Legislators shall serve as advisory non-voting members and may otherwise fully participate in all commission activities. The majority of the members of the Commission shall be members of the public who are not lawyers attorneys, or judges, or legislators, and there shall be no more than 6 judges and 6 attorneys among the non-public, non-legislative members.
- **(b)** Chairperson. The Chief Justice of Arizona shall select the Chairperson of the Commission. The Chairperson shall preside at all meetings of the Commission. The Chairperson shall select a Vice Chairperson who shall not be from the same <u>member</u> group (public <u>member</u>, judge, or <u>lawyer attorney</u>) as the Chairperson.
- (c) Terms. Each <u>non-legislative</u> member of the Commission shall serve for a term of four years and be eligible for reappointment to one additional four year term. In the case of a vacancy which occurs before expiration of a term, the member appointed to fill such vacancy shall serve for the duration of the unexpired term. <u>Legislative advisory members shall be appointed for a term to coincide with their term of legislative office and may be reappointed if still eligible.</u>
 - (d)- (j) [No change in text.]

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Rule 6. Review Process; Dissemination of Findings

The review process administered by the Commission, with the assistance of the Conference Teams, shall consist of the following:

(a)-(d) [No change in text.]

(e) Factual Report. In each election year, the Commission shall compile a factual report on the judicial performance of each judge or justice standing for retention, which shall include: a summary of the results of the survey forms as to the judge or justice; written and oral public comments submitted to the Commission (pursuant to Rule 2(g)(3)) which are deemed pertinent by the Commission; any biographical or other data on such judge or justice which are deemed pertinent; the Commission's finding as to whether the judge or justice has failed to cooperate with the judicial performance review process; and the Commission's finding as to whether the judge or justice "meets" or "does not meet" judicial performance standards. The report shall be formatted in such a manner that judges whom the commission determines "do not meet" judicial performance standards shall be segregated and listed before those that "do meet" standards. Should the Commission find that a judge or justice has failed to cooperate during the judicial performance review process, the report shall identify the conduct upon which the finding is based.

[No change in remainder of text.]

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