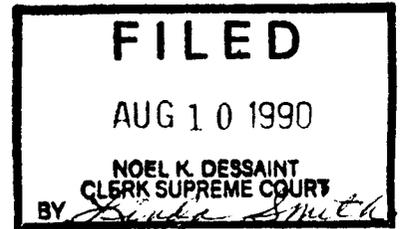


SUPREME COURT OF ARIZONA

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ARIZONA JUDICIAL COUNCIL  
COMMITTEE ON JUVENILE COURTS

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Administrative Order No. 90- 29

In accordance with Administrative Order No. 90-17, advisory committees to help the Committee on Superior Court carry out its responsibilities may be appointed with the approval of the Chief Justice. Now, therefore,

IT IS ORDERED THAT a committee on juvenile courts is hereby established as a standing subcommittee of the Committee on Superior Court and shall be known as the Committee on Juvenile Courts.

1. **Purpose.** The Committee on Juvenile Courts is established to facilitate communication and problem solving among the juvenile court judges in regard to juvenile court matters. The Committee will assist the Committee on Superior Court and the Arizona Judicial Council in the development and implementation of policies designed to improve: 1) the quality of justice, 2) access to the courts, and 3) efficiency in court operations. It will also identify the needs of the juvenile court for all children within the jurisdiction of the court and for children otherwise involved in the judicial system. The Committee shall advocate for fair and equal treatment of children, plan for future developments of the juvenile system, and recommend uniform policies and procedures to improve juvenile court operations.

2. **Membership.** The Committee is composed of the following members: all presiding juvenile court judges; the juvenile court directors from Maricopa and Pima counties; a juvenile court director from a non-metropolitan county; a representative of the local Foster Care Review Boards; two public members with juvenile court experience or knowledge; and such other members as may be appointed at the discretion of the Chief Justice. The chairperson of the committee shall be appointed by the Chief Justice.

3. **Terms of Members.** Committee members holding membership by virtue of their position shall be members of the Committee so long as they hold their respective positions. The other members of the Committee shall be appointed by the Chief Justice for terms of varying lengths to encourage continuity on the Committee. Committee members may be re-appointed for successive terms.

4. **Responsibilities of Members.** Committee members shall actively participate in Committee meetings, the administration of Committee affairs, and advisory committees.

5. **Organization.** The Chief Justice shall appoint Committee leadership as needed to organize committee affairs. Advisory committees to help the Committee on Juvenile Courts carry out its responsibilities may be appointed by the chairperson.

6. **Meetings.** The Committee shall meet no less than three times a year and additional meetings may be called at the discretion of the Committee chairperson. The Committee shall meet annually with representatives of Arizona's domestic relation judges to explore issues impacting children in the legal system. All meetings shall be noticed and open to the public.

7. **Actions.** The Committee shall adopt rules for conducting Committee business. These rules shall prescribe the quorum and majority needed to constitute Committee actions.

8. **Staff.** Under the direction of the Chief Justice, the Administrative Office of the Courts, Juvenile Justice Services Division, shall provide staff for the Committee and may conduct or coordinate management and research studies of judicial administration and juvenile court matters as recommended by the Committee.

DATED AND ENTERED this 10 day of August, 1990, at the State Capitol in Phoenix, Arizona.

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FRANK X. GORDON, JR.   
Chief Justice