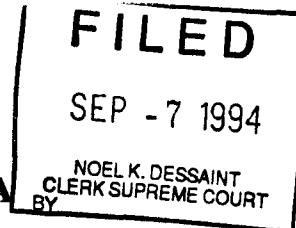


**IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA**



**In the Matter of**

**THE SUPREME COURT COMMITTEE )  
ON STATE FUNDING OF THE )  
ARIZONA COURT SYSTEM )  
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**Administrative Order  
No. 94- 47**

In accordance with Administrative Order 90-13, the Chief Justice may establish advisory committees to the Arizona Judicial Council to assist the Council in carrying out its responsibilities.

The Arizona court system is currently funded through a combination of state, county, city, federal, and private funds. This fragmented approach has created problems including disparity in court resources, inadequate facilities, and the inability to allocate resources within the state to meet identified needs, operate an integrated state court system, and comply with legislative mandates.

Nationwide, a number of court systems have implemented state funding. States that have adopted this approach have found the advantages include greater uniformity and standardization of policies and procedures, improved equity in allocation of resources and provision of services, greater operational efficiency, economies of scale, and facilitation of long-term strategic planning.

The Commission on the Courts, in its 1989 report, recommended Arizona adopt state funding of the court system. The Supreme Court subsequently approved the Commission's recommendation for state funding. The current fragmented funding method for the Arizona judicial system is also a concern to legislative and county leaders. The County Supervisors Association of Arizona has endorsed the concept of state funding and has made a commitment to working cooperatively with the judicial department to advance this approach.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED** that the Committee on State Funding of the Arizona Court System is hereby established.

**1. PURPOSE**

The Committee on State Funding shall examine examples of state funded systems and devise strategies for the implementation of state funding for the Arizona court system. This will include but is not limited to the following issues and responsibilities:

- a) the source and method of funding
- b) the scope of implementation, including responsibility for personnel, property, facilities, and services
- c) the transition method, to address the issue of an incremental or one-time implementation approach
- d) the time period for implementation
- e) building broad-based support among government, legislative, community, and private leaders to ensure successful implementation
- f) proposing legislative language to enact any necessary statutory changes

- g) acting as a resource and state clearinghouse for information on state funding.

## **2. MEMBERSHIP**

As chair of the Arizona Judicial Council, the Chief Justice shall appoint the Committee membership and leadership. The membership list is attached in Appendix A. The Chief Justice may appoint additional members as necessary.

## **3. ADVISORY COMMITTEES**

The Chair may appoint members to advisory committees to help the Committee carry out its responsibilities.

## **4. RESPONSIBILITIES OF MEMBERS**

Committee members shall actively participate in Committee meetings, the administration of Committee business, and advisory committees.

## **5. MEETINGS**

Meetings will be scheduled at the discretion of the Committee chair. All meetings shall comply with the Judicial Department's Open Meeting Policy.

## **6. RULES OF PROCEDURE**

The Committee shall follow the standard rules of procedure utilized by the Arizona Judicial Council.

## **7. FUNDING**

The Committee, with the assistance of the Administrative Office of the Courts and the County Supervisors Association of Arizona, may seek grant funding from local, state, and national organizations for its expenses of operation, including expert advice and consultation. To the extent available, Supreme Court funds may also be used to partially or fully fund Committee expenses.

## **8. STAFF**

Under the direction of the Chief Justice, the Administrative Office of the Courts shall provide staff for the Committee and, as feasible, may conduct or coordinate research recommended by the Committee. This staff will work in cooperation with staff from the County Supervisors Association of Arizona.

**DATED this 7th day of September, 1994.**

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