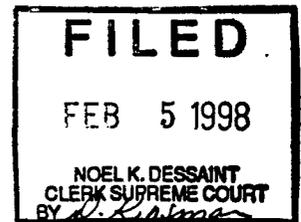


IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA



In the Matter of:)
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WEAPONS IN THE ARIZONA)
STATE COURTS BUILDING)
_____)

Administrative Order
No. 98- 8
(Revising and Replacing
Administrative Order No. 96-35)

The Court recognizes that every effort should be made to provide a safe environment for all persons visiting, working, or having business in the Arizona State Courts Building. Restricting the presence of weapons in the court building is essential to provide such security.

Administrative Order No. 90-33, issued by this court on August 30, 1990, created the Advisory Committee on Risk Management/Court Security. The committee developed court security standards that could be used by courts statewide to establish court security policies and procedures. Standard 1.1.7 recommends that written guidelines be developed to restrict weapons in any court or court-related facility.

On July 12, 1996, this Court issued Administrative Order No. 96-32 revising Administrative Order No. 93-30 (Presiding Judges Authority) to include authority for presiding judges to prohibit or regulate the possession of weapons in an area assigned to, or controlled by, the superior, municipal, and justice courts. This order provides such restriction of weapons at the Arizona State Courts Building.

Now, therefore, pursuant to Article VI, Section 3 of the Arizona Constitution and A.R.S. § 41-791 (B)(3)(d),

IT IS ORDERED, except as otherwise provided in this order, that weapons or dangerous instruments, as described in the attached List of Prohibited Items, shall not be *brought into* the Arizona State Courts Building located at 1501 West Washington, Phoenix, Arizona. Firearms may be carried by Arizona State Courts Building Security Officers, certified law enforcement officers acting in their official capacity, or any person authorized by the Chief Justice or Administrative Director.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all persons (including court employees and building tenants), packages, purses, briefcases, boxes and other containers may be examined for weapons or dangerous instruments upon entry into any area of the Arizona State Courts Building. Examination for weapons may include the use of magnetometers, x-ray machines, or physical inspection.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any person not specifically authorized in this order and who lawfully possesses a weapon or potential weapon (including a person with a concealed weapons permit) is responsible for removing their weapons and storing them in a safe manner outside of the Arizona State Courts Building. *Any person who lawfully possesses a weapon and cannot reasonably*

store the weapon in a safe manner outside of the Arizona State Courts Building, may request building security officers to store the weapon in a designated weapons locker. If all designated weapons lockers are in use, persons lawfully possessing a weapon shall store their weapon in a safe manner outside of the Arizona State Courts Building.

Dated this 5th day of February, 1998.

THOMAS A. ZLAKET
Chief Justice

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LIST OF PROHIBITED ITEMS**

- A. The goal of the Court Security Department is to make the work place a safe environment for all employees. In pursuit of this goal, the following is a list of weapons and items, by category, prohibited within the Arizona State Courts Building.

This list should only be used as a guideline. If questions or complaints arise, please refer them to the Security Manager.

❖ LEVEL ONE PROHIBITED ITEMS ❖

Level One is our highest level of security in the Arizona State Courts Building. All court, administrative, and public hearings held within the building are considered Level One for security purposes. The categories below are an expanded list of potential weapons and items prohibited in the building, under Supreme Court, Administrative Office of the Courts, Security Policy 4.11.

PROHIBITED DEADLY WEAPONS:

A.R.S. §13-3101.1 - Describes a deadly weapon as a firearm, or anything designed for lethal use. Examples include, but are not limited to:

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| Box Cutters | Pen Guns |
| Butterfly Knives | Razors |
| Firearms | Razor Blades |
| Daggers | Straight Razors |
| Knives | Swords |

PROHIBITED EXPLOSIVES:

A.R.S. §13-3101.3 - Describes an explosive as any dynamite, nitroglycerine, black powder or other similar explosive material including plastic explosives but does not mean or include ammunition or ammunition components such as primers, percussion caps, smokeless powder and black powder used for hand loading purposes. These items are listed under the Prohibited Potential Weapons category.

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| Black Powder | Fireworks |
| Blasting Caps | Plastic Explosives |
| Dynamite | Nitroglycerine |

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- B. There are many miscellaneous religious items that could be used as a potential weapon. Security will determine if an item is to be allowed into a secured area..

RELIGIOUS ITEMS:

Certain religious articles may be considered by the holder as sacred. Many times the holder will request that the item not be unsealed or opened. They believe the object will lose its religious power if tampered with. When this occurs, security will physically examine or x-ray the item and determine its admissibility into the secured area. Examples of such items include:

- Small religious objects worn or carried as charms to avert evil and bring good fortune.
 - Leather pouches (usually worn around the neck)
 - Medicine bags (used in Native American religious practice)
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❖ LEVEL TWO PROHIBITED ITEMS ❖

Level Two is a low priority level of security. The category below lists items from Level One categories that Arizona State Courts Building employees and tenants may have in their possession at work but cannot take into any Level One restricted area or event. All Prohibited Items in Level One apply to Level Two, with the exception of the items listed below.

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| Eating Utensils | Nail Files |
| Exercise Equipment (i.e. arm builders, etc.) | Pepper Spray/Mace |
| Hobby/Craft Tools (i.e.; knitting needles, glue guns, etc.) | Scissors |
| Letter Openers | Small Multi-Blade Knives |
| | Small Utility Tools (hammers/ screwdrivers, etc.) |

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PROHIBITED FLAMMABLE LIQUIDS:

A.R.S. §28-602 - Flammable liquid means any liquid which has a flash point of less than 100 degrees Fahrenheit and which is defined in the 49 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 173.

Examples include but are not limited to:

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| Acetone | Lighter Fluid |
| Alcohol | Paint Thinner |
| Ether | Stemo |
| Gasoline | Turpentine |

PROHIBITED CAUSTIC ALKALIES AND ACIDS:

A.R.S. §36-1101 - Describes dangerous, caustic or corrosive substances as:

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| Acetic Acid | Nitric Acid |
| Ammonia Water | Oxalic Acid |
| Arsenic | Potassium Hydroxide |
| Carbolic Acid | Silver Nitrate |
| Hydrochloric Acid | Sodium Hydroxide |
| Hypochlorous Acid | Sulphuric Acid |

This category also includes any household item that has a poison label or any item from the above list that is contained in a mis-labeled package or container.

PROHIBITED WEAPONS AND CONTRABAND:

A.R.S. §13-3101.7 - Describes prohibited weapons as:

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| Bombs | Land Mine |
| Grenade | Poison Gas |
| Explosives | Rockets |
| Incendiary Devices | |

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A.R.S. §13-2501 - Describes Contraband as:

Dangerous Instruments
Dangerous Drugs
(speed, LSD, etc.)
Deadly Weapons
Explosives

Narcotic Drugs
(Heroin, cocaine, etc.)
Obscene Materials
Marijuana

PROHIBITED POTENTIAL WEAPONS:

The following is a list of items that could be considered as potential weapons and will be prohibited at all hearings. The list includes but is not limited to:

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| Ammunition | Hatchets |
| Ammunition Components | Horse Shoes |
| ●Primers | Ice Picks |
| ●Percussion Caps | Knitting Needles |
| ●Smokeless Powder | Letter Openers |
| ●Black Power used for hand loading | Lock Picks |
| Baseball Bats | Meat Cleavers |
| Batons | Martial Arts Devices |
| Bicycle Chains | Multi-Blade Knives |
| Black Jacks | Ninja Pins |
| Brass Knuckles | Nail Files (4" or longer) |
| Bullets | Plastic Knuckles/Brass |
| Bullet Clips | Safety Pins (large) |
| Clubs | Scissors |
| Cork Screws | Spikes |
| Crochet Hooks | Stakes |
| Darts | Syringes |
| Facsimiles of Weapons | Throwing Stars |
| Gun Lighters | Tools |
| Hammers | Toy Guns/Weapons |
| Handcuffs | |