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7 IN THE SUPREME COURT
8 STATE OF ARIZONA

9 In the Matter of:

Supreme Court No. R-14-0017

10 **PETITION TO AMEND THE**
11 **ARIZONA RULES OF CIVIL**
12 **APPELLATE PROCEDURE**

13 STATE BAR OF ARIZONA'S
14 COMMENT IN SUPPORT OF THE
15 PETITION TO AMEND THE
16 ARIZONA RULES OF CIVIL
17 APPELLATE PROCEDURE

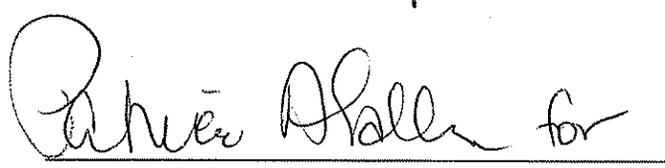
18 The State Bar of Arizona supports the Petition to amend the Arizona Rules of Civil
19 Appellate Procedure ("ARCAP"). As noted in the Petition (at 2), the State Bar, through
20 its Civil Practice and Procedure Committee, had the opportunity to provide comments and
21 suggestions on early drafts. As further explained in the Petition (at 3-13), adopting the
22 proposed amendments will greatly improve ARCAP both stylistically and substantively.
23 In sum, adopting the proposed amendments will (1) make ARCAP easier to use and
24 understand by attorneys and non-attorneys alike, and (2) improve the appellate process in
25 Arizona.

26 In reviewing the proposed amendments in connection with preparing this
Comment, the State Bar noticed some minor technical issues that should be corrected
(e.g., typographical errors and incorrect internal cross-references). Those suggested minor

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changes have been provided to the Petitioner. In terms of substance, the State Bar fully supports the Petition.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 29th day of April, 2014.



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