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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

In the Matter of:

**PETITION TO AMEND RULES 5(a),
5(b)(6), 5(b)(7) and ADD RULES 13(h) and
20 of the Rules of Procedure for Eviction
Actions**

No. **R-16-0040**

Comment to Proposed Rule Amendments

Pursuant to Rule 28(D), Rules of the Supreme Court, Scott M. Clark, as counsel for the Arizona Multihousing Association (hereinafter "AMA"), respectfully submits this Comment for the Court's consideration. The AMA opposes the adoption of this petition.

I. STATEMENT OF INTEREST.

The Arizona Multihousing Association ("AMA") is a professional trade association representing over 2,200 members and more than 233,000 rental units in the State of Arizona. Its members include owners of large multi-family properties, property management companies, developers, individual rental owners and the vendors that serve this vital industry. The AMA, which just celebrated its fiftieth anniversary, was formed in 1966 to promote industry professionalism, create educational opportunities, and engage in government relations.

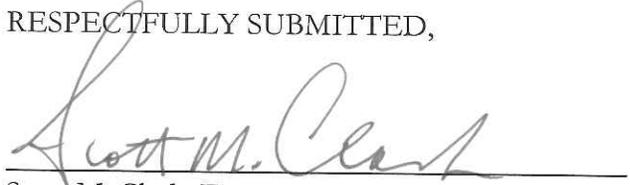
Scott M. Clark is counsel to the AMA and is a member of its Board of Directors. He has represented landlords and property owners for thirty years. He was also one of the participants in the State Bar Landlord/Tenant Task Force, the working group that produced the draft Rules of Procedure for Eviction Actions that this Court reviewed, modified, and subsequently adopted.

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II. THE AMA JOINS IN THE COMMENT FILED BY ATTORNEYS HENDERSON AND HOLLIDAY.

The AMA hereby joins the comment filed by attorneys Paul A. Henderson and Denise M. Holliday and supports the position they have taken in regard to this matter.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,



Scott M. Clark, Esq.

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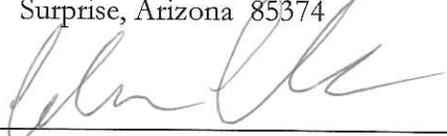
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Mailing Declaration

The original of this Comment was filed electronically at rules.azcourts.gov.

Copies of this Comment were mailed to the following recipients:

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