

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA  
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS

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In the Matter of: )  
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MODIFYING ARIZONA CODE OF ) Administrative Directive  
JUDICIAL ADMINISTRATION ) No. 2020 – 08  
TRAINING REQUIREMENTS DUE TO )  
A PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY )  
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Due to concern for the spread of COVID-19 in the general population, the Governor of the State of Arizona has declared a statewide emergency pursuant to A.R.S. § 26-303 and in accordance with A.R.S. § 26-301(15).

The Chief Justice has directed that the annual Judicial Conference and COJET requirements be suspended along with state bar CLE requirements for judicial personnel for 2020. The Administrative Director is authorized to modify code sections due to the health emergency.

Therefore,

IT IS DIRECTED that the following requirements are suspended or modified as follows:

ACJA § 1-302: Education and Training

1. The General Requirements for Compliance in ACJA § 1-302(H) are suspended in calendar year 2020.
2. The requirement in ACJA § 1-302(I) for judges to attend the annual judicial conference is suspended in calendar year 2020.
3. Consistent with ACJA § 1-302(I) and the Code of Judicial Conduct, judicial personnel shall spend such time during calendar year 2020 as may reasonably be required to obtain and maintain professional competence through judicial education.
4. Court personnel who are subject to COJET requirements are deemed to have complied with Supreme Court Rule 45(a) for calendar year 2020 for purposes of reporting mandatory continuing legal education.

Dated this 20th day of April 2020.

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Administrative Director