

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

In the Matter of:)
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ESTABLISHMENT OF THE TASK) Administrative Order
FORCE ON THE ARIZONA RULES) No. 2019 - 74
OF PROCEDURE FOR THE JUVENILE)
COURT AND APPOINTMENT OF)
MEMBERS)
_____)

The Arizona Judiciary Strategic Agenda, *Justice for the Future, Planning for Excellence*, includes several initiatives on improving the efficiency of juvenile court case processing and management. Among these new initiatives is a review of the Arizona Rules of Procedure for the Juvenile Court to identify ways in which court procedures can be restyled, clarified, and improved.

The current set of the Arizona Rules of Procedure for the Juvenile Court were adopted with an effective date of January 1, 2001. Although they have been amended at various times since their adoption, a comprehensive review of those rules would now be beneficial.

Therefore, pursuant to Article VI, Section 3, of the Arizona Constitution,

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. ESTABLISHMENT: The Task Force on the Arizona Rules of Procedure for the Juvenile Court is established.
2. PURPOSE: The Task Force shall review the Arizona Rules of Procedure for the Juvenile Court and identify possible changes that would conform these rules to modern usage, simplify the language, clarify and improve current procedures, reorganize the rules to enhance their usability, and account for recent Arizona and federal legislation, including the Family First Prevention Services Act.

The Task Force shall also consider whether there should be separate sets of procedural rules for delinquency and dependency cases in the juvenile court.

The Task Force shall seek input from various interested persons and entities with the goal of submitting a rule petition by January 10, 2021, with respect to any proposed rule changes.

3. MEMBERSHIP: The individuals listed in Appendix A are appointed as members of the Task Force for a term beginning immediately and ending December 31, 2021. The Chief Justice may appoint additional members as may be necessary.
4. MEETINGS: Task Force meetings shall be scheduled at the discretion of the Chair. All meetings shall comply with the Arizona Code of Judicial Administration § 1-202: Public Meetings.
5. STAFF: The Administrative Office of the Courts shall provide staff for the Task Force and shall assist the Task Force in developing recommendations and preparing any necessary reports and petitions.

Dated this 1st day of July, 2019.

ROBERT M. BRUTINEL
Chief Justice

Membership List

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