

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

In the Matter of:)
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ESTABLISHMENT OF A COMMITTEE) Administrative Order
ON CRIMINAL RULES REGARDING) No. 2020 - 183
VICTIMS)
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At its August 25, 2020 Rules Agenda, this Court considered rule petition no. R-20-0031. The petition sought to amend more than fifty Rules of Criminal Procedure by inserting in those rules the provisions concerning victims that are now contained in Rule 39. This Court continued that rule petition pending the recommendations of a Restyling Committee that would further study the matter and determine where certain victims' rights provisions more logically belong.

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

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. ESTABLISHMENT: The Committee on Criminal Rules Regarding Victims is established.
2. PURPOSE: The Committee shall review the amendments proposed by rule petition no. R-20-0031. The Committee shall determine which provisions of Rule 39 might be logically relocated, as proposed by that petition, and whether relocating a provision would help safeguard victims' rights. The Committee may accept or reject any amendments that were proposed in rule petition no. R-20-0031. The Committee may also modify or restyle any provision regarding victims that was proposed by that petition, and it may recommend adding provisions other than those the petition proposed, but it cannot make substantive changes to the current victims' rules.

The Committee shall make its recommendations for rule changes and file those recommendations in case no. R-20-0031 by May 28, 2021.

3. MEMBERSHIP: The individuals listed in Appendix A are appointed as members of the Committee for a term beginning on January 1 and ending December 31, 2021. The Chief Justice may appoint additional members as may be necessary.

4. MEETINGS: Committee 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 Committee and shall assist the Committee in developing recommendations and preparing any necessary reports and filings.

Dated this 25th day of November, 2020.

ROBERT BRUTINEL
Chief Justice

Appendix A

Membership List

Committee on Criminal Rules Regarding Victims

Chair:

Hon. Andrew Gould
Supreme Court of Arizona

Vice Chair:

Hon. Ronald Reinstein
Superior Court of Arizona (ret.)

Members:

Tim Agan
Maricopa County Office of the Legal Advocate

Colleen Clase
Arizona Voice for Crime Victims

Hon. Maria Elena Cruz
Court of Appeals, Division One

Ryan Green
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Hon. Kellie Johnson
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