

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

In the Matter of:)
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APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY) Administrative Order
INDEPENDENT BAR COUNSEL) No. 2021 - 05
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The Supreme Court has jurisdiction over any person engaged in the practice of law within the State of Arizona, Ariz. R. Sup. Ct. 31, and all lawyers are subject to the disciplinary jurisdiction of this Court, *id.* R. 48. This Court has delegated the duty to investigate and, when necessary, prosecute lawyer discipline matters to the State Bar of Arizona.

Given the current workload of the Independent Bar Counsel created pursuant to Administrative Order No. 2018-20, it is necessary to appoint additional counsel.

Therefore, pursuant to Article VI of the Arizona Constitution, and notwithstanding Rule 31, Rules of the Supreme Court and other rules concerning admission to the Arizona Bar,

IT IS ORDERED as follows:

1. Retired Judge Lisa Daniel Flores is appointed to serve as Deputy Independent Bar Counsel (DIBC).
2. The DIBC shall work under the supervision of and with the assistance of the Independent Bar Counsel.
3. The DIBC shall have all the power and authority granted to Bar Counsel and to the IBC pursuant to rules, orders, or decisions of the Arizona Supreme Court.
4. The DIBC shall be assigned all charges related to the November 2020 election. Due to the number of charges received, notwithstanding Administrative Order No. 2018-20, it will be necessary to utilize State Bar Counsel and investigators to assist. One or more Bar Counsel shall be assigned to assist the DIBC, if necessary, in prescreening, screening, investigation and prosecuting any such cases. However, the DIBC shall make any decisions that Bar Counsel makes as authorized by applicable rules, including the decision to dismiss or charge.
5. The confidentiality and immunity provisions of Supreme Court Rule 48(l) and (m) shall apply to duties performed by DBIC Flores and lawyers designated to assist her under this order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that:

The State Bar of Arizona shall pay reasonable fees, costs for services provided, and expenses incurred by DIBC as necessary to carry out the duties required by this order.

Dated this 13th day of January, 2021.

ROBERT BRUTINEL
Chief Justice