

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

In the Matter of:)	
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AMENDING ARIZONA CODE OF)	
JUDICIAL ADMINISTRATION)	Administrative Order
§ 5-308: COURT SECURITY GUARDS)	No. 2021 - <u>11</u>
NOT ELIGIBLE FOR CERTIFICATION)	(Affecting Administrative
)	Order No. 2020-224)
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Pursuant to the Arizona Code of Judicial Administration (ACJA) § 1-201(E), the Chief Justice may adopt technical changes in existing administrative code sections by administrative order without prior distribution for comment and action by the Arizona Judicial Council.

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

IT IS ORDERED that the amendments to ACJA § 5-308 as indicated on the attached document are adopted. All other provisions of § 5-308 remain unchanged and in effect beginning June 30, 2021.

Dated this 21st day of January, 2021.

ROBERT BRUTINEL
Chief Justice

ARIZONA CODE OF JUDICIAL ADMINISTRATION
Part 5: Court Operations
Chapter 3: Court Security
Section: 5-308: Court Security Guards Not Eligible for Certification

A. through G [no changes]

H. Persons providing court security who are not employed by a court, law enforcement agency as an AZPOST certified officer, or security guard agency licensed by DPS.

1. Persons providing court security who are not employed by a court, law enforcement agency as an AZPOST certified officer, or security guard agency licensed by DPS shall attend and successfully complete the Court Security Guard Training Academy within 90 days of providing court security services to a court, and annual court security training updates approved by COJET, which may be offered virtually.
2. A presiding judge shall establish a written policy for persons providing court security services who are not employed by a court, law enforcement agency or security guard agency licensed by DPS. The policy shall address who is authorized to provide court security services and the process to be authorized to provide court security services in conformity with ACJA § 5-303.
3. The presiding judge may authorize a person providing court security who is not employed by a court, law enforcement agency as an AZPOST certified officer, or guard agency licensed by DPS to be armed while providing court security if:
 - a. the person meets the qualifications of ACJA § 5-306, other than being employed by a court, and has completed the Court Security Guard Training Academy; or
 - b. the person has active AZPOST certification.
4. The presiding judge shall establish a written policy for persons providing court security services who are not employed by a court, law enforcement agency as an AZPOST certified officer, or security guard agency licensed by DPS that addresses who is authorized to carry a firearm, process for obtaining authorization to be armed, the procedure for notifying the presiding judge or designee of the status of being armed, the type of firearm(s) and ammunition allowed within the courthouse in conformity with Arizona Supreme Court Administrative Directives, and requirements in conformity with ACJA § 5-306 and state and local laws regulating firearms.
5. A presiding judge may authorize a person providing court security services who is not employed by a court, law enforcement agency as an AZPOST certified officer, or security guard agency licensed by DPS to carry a CEW while providing court security services. The presiding judge shall establish a written policy addressing who is authorized to carry a CEW, process for obtaining authorization to carry a CEW and requirements in conformity

with ACJA §5-307 and state and local laws regulating CEWs.

I. Court Security Guard Training Academy.

1. Court security guards shall undergo assessment of competency upon conclusion of instruction and shall meet passing standards as set by the director.
2. Court security guards failing to attain the passing score on the competency assessment are permitted to retake the competency assessment once within 90 days of completion of the Court Security Guard Training Academy.
3. A court security guard shall complete the Court Security Guard Training Academy again if ~~they~~ the security guard returns to service as a court security guard after an absence of two or more years.