

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

In the Matter of:)
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ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ARIZONA) Administrative Order
STATE BAR BOARD OF GOVERNORS) No. 2021 - 33
DISCIPLINE SYSTEM OVERSIGHT) (Replacing Administrative Order
COMMITTEE) Nos. 2019-145 and 2021-32)
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This Administrative Order replaces Administrative Order No. 2019-145, issued on November 6, 2019 and Administrative Order No. 2021-32, issued on March 3, 2021.

In the summer of 2019, an operations review of the lawyer discipline system was conducted. Among other recommendations, the report recommended additional oversight of the discipline system. Having concluded that such oversight would be beneficial,

IT IS ORDERED that a standing committee of the Board of Governors, the Discipline System Oversight Committee, is hereby established.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the chairperson of the Committee shall be a justice appointed by the Chief Justice of the Arizona Supreme Court. The Committee shall be composed of the Chairperson, the Executive Director of the State Bar of Arizona, three members of the Board, and of those, one public member appointed by the Chief Justice, and two members appointed by the State Bar of Arizona president.

The Committee shall:

- a. Oversee the performance of the disciplinary duties delegated to chief bar counsel.
- b. Periodically review the productivity, effectiveness, and efficiency of the State Bar of Arizona's duties outlined in Supreme Court Rule 49 in order to help ensure that the discipline system is adequately protecting the public.
- c. Periodically review the productivity, effectiveness, and efficiency of the Office of the Independent Bar Counsel created by Administrative Order No. 2018-20.

In fulfilling its purpose, the Committee may:

- a. Meet in executive session to review confidential material or individual cases, that have been closed, if needed to perform its duties.
- b. Make recommendations to the State Bar of Arizona Executive Director, the Board of Governors, and to the Supreme Court regarding the State Bar of Arizona's discipline functions, including what information is available to the public via the State Bar of

Arizona's website, staffing levels needed to perform assigned duties, training needs, and public satisfaction with the system.

Dated this 4th day of March, 2021.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert Brutinel". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "R".

ROBERT BRUTINEL
Chief Justice