

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

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In the Matter of: )  
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ADMINISTRATIVE SUPERVISION ) Administrative Order  
OVER COMPUTER INFRASTRUCTURE ) No. 2022 - 58  
AND COMPUTER OPERATIONS OF )  
THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE )  
SUPERIOR COURT IN PIMA COUNTY )  

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Arizona courts, including the Clerk of the Superior Court in each county, are required to report to the Arizona Supreme Court’s Commission on Technology (COT) the status of their computer infrastructure. An employee of the Pima County Clerk of Court’s office has made allegations that “false” or “sanitized” reports have been submitted to the COT regarding the status of the Clerk of the Court’s computer infrastructure. A review of the systems conducted on June 7, 2022, confirms significant inconsistencies in what has been previously reported. The Clerk of the Court has been made aware of the allegations and is cooperating with the court to help determine the accuracy and seriousness of the allegations. Because these allegations have been made, an independent review is needed.

Therefore, pursuant to Article VI, sections 3 and 23 of the Arizona Constitution,

IT IS ORDERED that, until further notice of this court, the administrative control and oversight of the computer infrastructure and computer operations in use by the office of the Clerk of Court in Pima County be assumed by the Honorable Jeffery Bergin, Presiding Judge of the Superior Court in Pima County, along with administrative oversight of related IT staff, until further order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Presiding Judge Bergin direct the superior court administrator to conduct a review of the system and take whatever steps are needed to remediate problems that are identified. The Clerk of Court has agreed to place the current IT Director on paid administrative leave pending this review, which is routine in situations such as this. While on leave, the IT Director’s authority to access the computer system should be restricted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the IT Director is to fully cooperate by providing any credentials and information needed by those conducting the review and to facilitate continuing operations.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Presiding Judge Bergin provide periodic updates on the status of the review and remediation to the Administrative Office of the Courts through its Director and IT Director. During this process, the Clerk of the Court in Pima County continues to be

responsible for managing and fulfilling the duties of his office, other than managing the computer infrastructure and computer operations.

Dated this 8th day of June, 2022.

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ANN A. SCOTT TIMMER  
Vice Chief Justice