IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

In the Matter of:	)	
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APPROVING THE GILA COUNTY ALTERNATIVE JUROR SUMMONING PLAN	)	Administrative Order No. 2023 - 05

Under A.R.S. § 21-302, if the superior court in a county has multiple court locations, the court may propose alternative procedures for summoning jurors that are designed to minimize the distance prospective jurors must travel and to avoid unnecessary travel expenses, by dividing the county into jury districts. The Presiding Judge of the Superior Court in Gila County has proposed and seeks approval of alternative summoning procedures for the Superior Court in Gila County for this purpose.

The Gila County Alternative Juror Summoning Plan, having met the requirements of Arizona Code of Judicial Administration (ACJA) § 5-203 and having been circulated to the required stakeholders, was presented to the Arizona Judicial Council (AJC) on December 15, 2022. The AJC has recommended that the plan be approved.

Therefore, pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes § 21-302 and ACJA § 5-203,

IT IS ORDERED that effective February 1, 2023, the Gila County Alternative Juror Summoning Plan is approved. This approval shall be effective for a period of five years.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the summoning procedures set forth in this plan shall apply to civil cases as of February 1, 2023 and to criminal cases where the date of violation occurred on or after February 1, 2023.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Presiding Judge will report to the AJC on the effectiveness of the alternative summoning plan in March 2025.

Dated this 11th day of January, 2023.

ROBERT BRUTINEL
Chief Justice