

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

In the Matter of:)
)
WAIVER OF CHIEF PROBATION) Administrative Order
OFFICER MINIMUM HIRING) No. 2025 - 27
REQUIREMENTS FOR THE COCHISE)
COUNTY PROBATION DEPARTMENT)
_____)

A.R.S. § 12-251(C) provides, "Probation department personnel shall qualify under minimum standards of experience and education established by the Supreme Court." ACJA § 6-106(F)(1)(a), states that chief adult probation officers must possess "[a]t minimum, a master's degree in business, management, the social sciences or a related field from an accredited college or university."

The Presiding Judge of the Superior Court in Cochise County has requested a waiver of this requirement pursuant to A.R.S. § 12-251(C). The waiver will permit the Presiding Judge of Cochise County to appoint the following applicant to the position of Chief Probation Officer: April Saathoff.

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

IT IS ORDERED that a waiver of ACJA § 6-106(F)(1)(a) is granted regarding the educational requirements allowing the Presiding Judge of Cochise County to appoint April Saathoff to the position of Chief Probation Officer.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this waiver is effective on and after the date of signature.

Dated this 30th day of January, 2025.

ANN A. SCOTT TIMMER
Chief Justice