

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

In the Matter of:)
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APPOINTMENT OF A COURT) PRO TEMPORE ORDER
COMMISSIONER TO SERVE AS A) No. 2022 - 01
JUDGE PRO TEMPORE IN THE)
SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE)
OF ARIZONA IN AND FOR THE)
COUNTY OF MARICOPA)
_____)

The presiding judge of the Superior Court of Arizona in Maricopa County has requested the appointment of a court commissioner to serve as a judge pro tempore to assist that court with the processing of cases. Therefore, pursuant to Ariz. Const. Art. VI, § 31 and A.R.S. § 12-141 et seq.,

IT IS ORDERED that Vanessa N. Smith, State Bar #023472, is appointed as a judge pro tempore to serve the Superior Court in Maricopa County for a term beginning January 10, 2022 and ending June 30, 2022.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the appointee shall perform judicial duties authorized by A.R.S. § 12-144 as assigned by the presiding judge. This appointment is conditioned upon the approval of the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors pursuant to A.R.S. § 12-141, and upon the agreement by the appointee to serve without compensation or benefits, other than that to which she is entitled as Superior Court Commissioner, as provided in A.R.S. § 12-142(C) and A.R.S. § 12-143 for service as a judge pro tempore.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the appointee may perform duties of a judge authorized by A.R.S. § 25-121 et seq. and A.R.S. § 12-2222 without specific assignment by the presiding judge and subject to agreement by the appointee to perform these duties without public compensation or benefits.

DATED this 5th day of January, 2022.

ROBERT BRUTINEL
Chief Justice