

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

In the Matter of:)
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 APPOINTMENT OF A JUDGE PRO)
 TEMPORE TO THE SUPERIOR COURT)
 OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA IN AND)
 FOR THE COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ)
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PRO TEMPORE ORDER
No. 2024 - 01
(Amending Pro Tempore
Order No. 2023-52)

On October 4, 2023, Karla D. Berber, State Bar # 034069, was appointed as a judge pro tempore to serve the Superior Court in Santa Cruz County without compensation or benefits as specified in Pro Tempore Order 2023-52. The Honorable Thomas Fink, Presiding Judge of the Superior Court in Santa Cruz County, has asked that the appointment be amended to allow for payment, as the need for the services of a judge pro tempore have expanded. Therefore, pursuant to Ariz. Const. Art. VI, § 31 and A.R.S. § 12-141 et seq.,

IT IS ORDERED that Pro Tempore Order No. 2023-52 is amended to remove as a condition of the appointment that Karla D. Berber serve without compensation or benefits. She may be compensated for her services as a judge pro tempore after the date of this order, conditioned upon the approval of the amendment by the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors pursuant to A.R.S. § 12-141, and upon the Superior Court in Santa Cruz County obtaining appropriate funding from whatever source for any compensation due to said appointee for service as a judge pro tempore pursuant to A.R.S. § 12-142(C) and A.R.S. § 12-143, including the state's portion of their salary. The Superior Court in Santa Cruz County and the appointee shall memorialize their agreement in writing as to the salary for services provided under this appointment.

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 subject to agreement by the appointee to perform these duties without public compensation or benefits.

Dated this 16th day of February, 2024.

ROBERT BRUTINEL
Chief Justice