

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

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In the Matter of: )  
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APPOINTMENT OF JUDGES PRO )  
TEMPORE TO THE SUPERIOR COURT )  
OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA IN AND )  
FOR THE COUNTY OF APACHE )  
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PRO TEMPORE ORDER  
No. 2025 - 16

The presiding judge of the Superior Court of Arizona in Apache County has requested the appointment of judges 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 the following individuals are appointed as judges pro tempore to serve the Superior Court in Apache County for terms beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.

Dale Nielson	State Bar # 012831
Garrett Whiting	State Bar # 024201

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the appointees shall perform judicial duties authorized by A.R.S. § 12-144 as assigned by the presiding judge. These appointments are conditioned upon the approval of the Apache County Board of Supervisors pursuant to A.R.S. § 12-141, and upon the Superior Court in Apache County obtaining appropriate funding from whatever source for any compensation due to said appointees for service as judges 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 Apache County and the appointees shall memorialize their agreement in writing as to the salary for services provided under this appointment.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the appointees 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 appointees to perform these duties without public compensation or benefits.

DATED this 9th day of June, 2025.

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ANN A. SCOTT TIMMER  
Chief Justice