

Arizona Commission on Access to Justice
SRL-LJC Workgroup
NOTES
March 18, 2021
2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Telephonic: Judge Anna Huberman (chair), Charles Adornetto, Scott Davis, Stan Hammerman, Denise Holliday, Paul Julien

AOC Staff: Julie Graber, Sabrina Nash, Kathy Sekardi

Matters considered:

1. Welcome and opening remarks

The March 18, 2020, meeting of the SRL-LJC Workgroup was called to order by Judge Anna Huberman, chair, at 2:03 p.m.

2. Update on eviction action issues

Judge Hubermann noted that she heard that approximately 10 million tenants were behind on their rent and evictions have been consuming most of the courts time the past year. She noted that single family homes are being pulled from the rental market and she noted that some tenants are prepaying their rent for special consideration in renting a property due to eviction or bankruptcy. The current rental market is tight with new housing estimated to come to market somewhere between eighteen months to two years.

3. Discuss Consumer Debt storyboards

Kathy Sekardi discussed the updated video tracking document on the SharePoint website. The workgroup then reviewed the following storyboards for final edit:

- *Auto Repossession and Deficiency*
- *My Title Loan Creditor is Taking Me to Court*
Action: Kathy will clean up both storyboards and resend to workgroup for final review.
- *Settling a Lawsuit*
Action: Stan Hammerman will discuss with Veronika Fabien for her input and Kathy will clean up the storyboard and resend to workgroup for review.

4. Next steps:

Judge Huberman suggested that enough consumer debt videos have been completed and sent for translation that they can be posted on Azcourts.gov. Julie Graber will send videos to Judge Huberman for review. Next storyboards to be reviewed at the next meeting will be:

- What Happens in Small Claims Court?
- How to File an Answer

Judge Huberman also stated that the workgroup would review and select the next consumer debt issues/products to complete as either videos or Legal Info Sheets:

- Summary Judgement
- What is Evidence
- Statute of Limitations

Next SRL-LJC Meeting: May 13, 2021