

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

In the Matter of:)
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LANGUAGE ACCESS) Administrative Order
PLANNING FOR APPELLATE) No. 2011 - 125
COURTS)
_____)

In accordance with Administrative Order No. 2011-96, which outlined the trial courts' responsibility to provide meaningful access to justice for all persons, the Arizona Supreme Court and Court of Appeals, Division One and Division Two, also recognize the importance of language access services for non-English proficient participants in the court system. Therefore,

Pursuant to Article VI, Section 3, of the Arizona Constitution,

IT IS ORDERED that each appellate court shall develop a language access plan that documents how the court currently makes its operations available to non-English speaking parties and how it plans to make such services available for those proceedings and operations not currently provided for. Each court's plan shall include operations at the Clerk's Office and describe the following:

1. The court's frequently encountered foreign languages, identified either from local census data or information generated internally by the court.
2. Interpreting and translation resources the court uses to provide language access in appellate matters and staff understanding of said resources.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Administrative Office of the Courts shall provide technical assistance to the appellate courts, as needed, to comply with this Order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk of Court shall submit the language access plans for their respective court to the Administrative Office of the Courts by January 31, 2012.

Dated this 7th day of December, 2011.

REBECCA WHITE BERCH
Chief Justice