

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

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In the Matter of: )  
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CERTIFICATION AND LICENSING ) Administrative Order  
RENEWAL PILOT PROGRAM ) No. 2014 - 20  
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The Certification and Licensing Division of the Administrative Office of the Courts processes initial and renewal applications for certification of certain professions regulated by the Supreme Court and makes recommendations to the applicable Board regarding the certification pursuant to Arizona Code of Judicial Administration (ACJA) §§ 7-201 through 7-208.

In the performance of these duties, staff has observed that members of the regulated professions may, for various reasons, submit a renewal application past the expiration date of their certificate. Presently, renewal provisions of the ACJA do not allow an exception to a filing deadline when the renewal certificate is not timely filed and the certificate holder has good cause for failing to timely file the renewal application. In an effort to better serve the public and regulated professionals, a pilot program was implemented on February 27, 2013, by Administrative Order No. 2013-29 to address this circumstance and was to remain in effect until January 1, 2014.

Therefore, pursuant to Article VI, Section 3, of the Arizona Constitution:

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. The pilot program established by Administrative Order No. 2013-29 shall remain in effect until the earlier of September 30, 2014 or such time as ACJA § 7-201 is amended to address untimely renewals.
2. The Certification and Licensing Division shall draft and circulate for comment a revision to the ACJA that provides a procedure for processing renewal applications that were not timely filed if the applicant can demonstrate good cause for failure to timely file.

Dated this 12th day of February, 2014.

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REBECCA WHITE BERCH  
Chief Justice