

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

In the Matter of:)	
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COMMITTEE ON THE REVIEW OF)	Administrative Order
SUPREME COURT RULES)	No. 2014 - <u>66</u>
GOVERNING PROFESSIONAL)	
CONDUCT AND THE PRACTICE)	
OF LAW)	
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The changing practice of law poses new ethical questions and invites review of certain court rules governing the practice of law. Over the past decade, e-commerce and other developments have enabled businesses to deal with customers and suppliers globally. Lawyers similarly have expanded their practice beyond traditional geographical boundaries.

Supreme Court rules in Arizona and elsewhere regulating the practice law are largely based on a lawyer's physical location. This regulatory model should be examined and the rules updated to ensure that the public is protected and the rules do not impose unnecessary barriers to the delivery of legal services. Rules governing conflicts of interest, for both private and public lawyers, should also be reviewed and, if necessary, clarified.

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

IT IS ORDERED establishing the Committee on the Review of Supreme Court Rules Governing Professional Conduct and the Practice of Law, as follows:

- Purpose.** The Committee shall examine the Rules of the Supreme Court on professional conduct and the practice of law to determine if changes are desirable in light of
 - changes proposed by the American Bar Association's Commission on Ethics 20/20;
 - the changing nature of legal practice in a technologically-enabled and connected workplace; and
 - the growing trend of multi-state and international practice of law.
- Membership.** The membership is attached as Appendix A. The Chief Justice may appoint additional members as needed or desired. Terms of Committee members shall expire on December 31, 2014.
- Meetings.** The Advisory Committee shall meet as necessary, and meetings may be scheduled, cancelled, or moved at the discretion of the Committee chair. All meetings shall comply with the public meeting policy of the Arizona Judicial Branch, Arizona Code of Judicial Administration § 1-202.

4. **Timing.** The Committee shall file proposed rules changes by the January 2015, rule petition deadline.
5. **Administrative Support.** The State Bar of Arizona shall provide administrative support and staff for the Committee.

Dated this 17th day of June, 2014.

REBECCA WHITE BERCH
Chief Justice

Attachment: Appendix A

Appendix A

COMMITTEE ON THE REVIEW OF SUPREME COURT RULES GOVERNING PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT AND THE PRACTICE OF LAW

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