

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

In the Matter of:)
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AUTHORIZING A PILOT OF THE) Administrative Order
PROTECTIVE ORDER WEB PORTAL) No. 2019 - 66
IN THE GLENDALE CITY COURT)
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In its 2018 Second Regular session, the legislature enacted H.B. 2249, which modifies A.R.S. § 13-3602 regarding orders of protection. The revised statute significantly changes the way orders of protection are delivered for service. When the revised statute takes effect on January 1, 2020, the issuing court will become responsible for transmitting the defendant’s packet to the appropriate law enforcement agency for service. In addition, the statute designates the Supreme Court—rather than each county sheriff—as the central repository for protective orders and makes it responsible for transmitting data on served orders to the National Crime Information Center (NCIC).

To implement the new law, the Judicial Branch is partnering with the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission (ACJC) to increase access to justice and simplify the application process for persons who wish to petition for orders of protection, injunctions against harassment, and injunctions against workplace harassment. This pilot project will experiment with the use of technology to allow a plaintiff to complete a general petition and supplementary documents in a web-based portal prior to filing the petition at a court.

This Order authorizes the procedures necessary for the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) and the Glendale City Court, as well as any other Arizona court that is approved by the AOC Administrative Director, to join the pilot, to process petitions for protective orders through the AOC-supported web-based portal, transmit issued orders through the Court Protective Order Repository (CPOR) to the appropriate law enforcement agency for service, and receive proof of service back from the law enforcement agency through CPOR.

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

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. The Glendale City Court, and any other Arizona court that is approved to join the

pilot, is authorized to participate in a pilot project to run from July 1 to December 31, 2019.

2. The AOC, the Glendale City Court, and any other participating court shall develop policies, procedures, and guidelines as necessary to implement the pilot program.
3. The Administrative Director is authorized to approve changes to or addition of forms necessary to implement the pilot program.
4. The Administrative Director is authorized to approve participation by additional courts.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that provisions of this Order that are inconsistent with the Arizona Rules of Court shall supersede procedural requirements of the rules.

Dated this 7th day of June, 2019.

SCOTT BALES
Chief Justice