



DIVISION ONE
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IN THE
 COURT OF APPEALS
 STATE OF ARIZONA
 DIVISION ONE

IN THE MATTER OF:) ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
) 2020-01
) (AMENDING A.O. 2014-04
 APPELLATE PRO BONO PROGRAM) AND REPLACING A.O. 2019-
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Administrative Order 2014-04, adopted on December 9, 2014, established the Court of Appeals Pro Bono Representation Program (the “Program”), which provides pro bono counsel to pro se parties in appeals and special actions identified by the Court.

As initially implemented, the Program was directed to civil and juvenile appeals. The court recognizes that other case types may also benefit from the Program.

In addition, when the Court established the Pro Bono Representation Program, it appointed a Pro Bono Attorney Coordinator for Division One to recruit and coordinate private volunteer attorneys for the Program. The Court later issued Administrative Order 2019-01 to appoint a new coordinator when the first coordinator was unable to continue her service due to a changed professional affiliation. The Pro Bono Representation Program Manual available on the Court’s website is the most expeditious location for the current contact information to reside and be referenced.

Finally, in Administrative Order 2014-04, the Court ordered that, except where not appropriate or practical, it would set oral argument in each case in the Program to allow volunteer counsel the opportunity to participate in an argument before the Court.

The order was unclear about whether the Court would automatically set oral argument or whether counsel was required to file a request in accordance with Arizona Rule of Civil Appellate Procedure 18.

NOW THEREFORE,

IT IS ORDERED expanding the Court of Appeals Pro Bono Representation Program established in Administrative Order 2014-04 to any appeal or special action identified by the Court in which a party is not entitled to appointed counsel and briefing and argument by pro bono counsel would benefit the Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the current Pro Bono Attorney Coordinator will be identified in the Pro Bono Representation Program Manual available on the Court's website.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if volunteer counsel wishes the Court to hold oral argument on a case placed in the Program, he or she must file a request for oral argument in accordance with Arizona Rule of Civil Appellate Procedure 18. The Court remains committed to allowing volunteer counsel to participate in oral argument and will generally grant such requests.

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Peter B. Swann
Chief Judge, Division One
Arizona Court of Appeals