

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

In the Matter of:)
)
ESTABLISHMENT OF THE)
ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON) Administrative Order
THE RULES OF JUDICIAL CONDUCT) No. 2000- 17
_____)

In accordance with Administrative Order 90-13, as revised on June 6, 1990, the Chief Justice may establish advisory committees to the Arizona Judicial Council to assist the Council in carrying out its responsibilities.

A Rule 28 petition was filed to repeal the current rules of the procedure for the Commission on Judicial Conduct and to adopt the ABA Model Rules for Judicial Disciplinary Enforcement. The court considered the rule petition at their September 1999 Agenda and determined more study was needed to determine if, and how, the Commission on Judicial Conduct should be restructured.

Now, therefore, pursuant to Article VI, Section 3, of the Arizona Constitution,

IT IS ORDERED that the Advisory Committee on the Rules of Judicial Conduct is established as follows:

1. **PURPOSE:**
The Committee shall examine the current rules and structure of the Commission on Judicial Conduct and, using the ABA Model Rules for Judicial Disciplinary Enforcement as a starting point, determine if changes are needed to the current rules of procedure and structure of the Commission. The Committee shall make recommendations to the Court for any changes needed, including recommending rule changes and identifying the budgetary impact of recommendations.
2. **MEMBERSHIP:**
The membership of the Committee is attached as an Appendix. The Chief Justice or the Chair of the Committee may appoint additional members as may be necessary.
3. **MEETINGS:**

Meetings shall be scheduled at the discretion of the Committee Chair. All meetings shall comply with the Open Meeting Policy of the Arizona Judicial Department.

4. **REPORTS:**

The Committee shall submit an interim report of its findings and recommendations to the Supreme Court by May 15, 2000. Final recommendations should be reported to the Limited Jurisdiction Court Committee, Superior Court Committee and Arizona Judicial Council no later than their September and October 2000 meetings.

5. **STAFF:**

The Administrative Office of the Courts shall provide staff for the Committee and, as feasible, may conduct or coordinate research as requested by the Committee.

Dated this 04 day of February, 2000.

THOMAS A. ZLAKET
Chief Justice