

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

In the Matter of:)
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NAVAJO AND APACHE COUNTY) Administrative Order
EMERGENCY RESPONSE) No. 2002 - 2002-59
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On June 19, 2002, Jane Hull, the Governor of the State of Arizona declared a state of emergency in Navajo and Apache counties. This state of emergency was due to uncontrolled forest fires and consequent evacuation orders in that area of the state. Maricopa County law enforcement personnel have requested that the criminal proceedings in Maricopa County be suspended as law enforcement personnel and vehicles will be required to address the emergency in Navajo and Apache counties. In order to address the state of emergency, it is necessary delegate to the presiding judge of the Superior Court in Maricopa County sufficient authority to allow closure of the criminal courts for Friday, June 21, 2002.

Now, therefore, pursuant to Article VI, Sections 3 and 5, of the Arizona Constitution,

IT IS ORDERED that the Honorable Colin F. Campbell, Presiding Judge of the Superior Court in Maricopa County is authorized to close the criminal courts in Maricopa County on Friday, June 21, 2002 and adopt and suspend rules and orders as necessary to address this criminal court closure.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that such emergency rules or orders shall be immediately provided this Court.

Dated this 20th day of June, 2002.

CHARLES E. JONES
Chief Justice