

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

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In the Matter of: )  
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DUTIES OF PRESIDING JUSTICE ) Administrative Order  
OF THE PEACE ) No. 2005-22  
 ) (Revising Administrative  
 ) Order No. 96-32)  
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On July 12, 1996, this Court entered Administrative Order No. 96-32 revising the administrative rule entitled “Administrative Rule VI-A, Section 2 (Presiding Justice of the Peace).” It is now the desire of the Court to repeal and replace Administrative Rule VI-A, Section 2.

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

IT IS ORDERED that Administrative Rule VI-A, Section 2 is repealed and replaced to provide for the selection and duties of presiding justice of the peace as follows:

SELECTION:

In any county in which two or more justice courts are located, the justices of the peace of the county shall select a presiding justice of the peace. If the vote of the justices of the peace is tied, the presiding judge of the county shall cast the deciding vote.

DUTIES:

1. Exercise administrative supervision, as directed by the Supreme Court, over the justices of the peace, pro tem judges and hearing officers.
2. Perform administrative duties that are delegated by the presiding judge of the county.
3. Call meetings of the justices of the peace of the county as necessary, preside over all meetings called, and appoint necessary committees.
4. Perform any duties and carry out any responsibilities that are provided by law, rules or administrative orders of the Supreme Court.
  
5. Assist justice courts that are located in the county in the preparation and submission

of plans to the Board of Supervisors, the presiding judge of the county, or the Supreme Court, as appropriate, for the expenditure and use of funds that are provided by law to improve the operation of the courts.

Dated this 24th day of March, 2005.

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CHARLES E. JONES  
Chief Justice