

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

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In the Matter of: )  
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PRACTICE OF LAW ) Administrative Order  
BY ATTORNEYS DISPLACED BY ) No. 2005- 63  
HURRICANE KATRINA )  
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On August 29, 2005, Hurricane Katrina made landfall and caused devastating damage to the states of Louisiana, Mississippi, and Alabama. Thousands of citizens from these states have been displaced from their homes and businesses; some of the evacuees are now living in Arizona.

The Supreme Court has inherent authority over the practice of law and has enacted rules regulating admission to the practice of law in Arizona.

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

IT IS ORDERED that, notwithstanding Rules 31-40, Rules of the Supreme Court, an attorney holding a valid license issued by Louisiana, Mississippi or Alabama, who is in good standing with the attorney's home state bar and who is displaced from the attorney's home jurisdiction due to Hurricane Katrina, is permitted to practice law for six (6) months from the date of this Order from a location in Arizona as if the attorney were located in the state in which the attorney is licensed. This special authority is limited to representing existing or new clients who have been displaced from the lawyer's state of licensure by Hurricane Katrina and any other clients with whom the attorney has an ongoing attorney-client relationship. This Order is not intended, in any way, to restrict or limit any attorney from practicing law in compliance with ER 5.5, Arizona Rules of the Supreme Court, Rule 42.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that attorneys practicing pursuant to this Order shall be subject to the Rules of Professional Conduct and other Rules of the Arizona Supreme Court and shall provide their names, Arizona addresses or contact information, and license numbers, as issued by their home state, to the State Bar of Arizona within five (5) days of engaging in the practice of law in Arizona pursuant to this Order.

Dated this 12th day of September, 2005.

FOR THE COURT:

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RUTH V. MCGREGOR  
Chief Justice