

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

In the Matter of:)
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ACCESS TO RECORDS AND) Administrative Order
INFORMATION CONCERNING) No. 2006 - 26
DEPENDENT AND DELINQUENT)
MINORS FOR THE PURPOSE OF)
RESEARCH BY COLUMBIA)
UNIVERSITY)
_____)

Columbia University has submitted a formal proposal for research entitled *The Arizona Risk/Needs Assessment Instrument: Expanding Predictive Validity*. The Administrative Office of the Courts has accepted this proposal and entered an agreement with Columbia University entitled *Research Data Sharing Agreement* (Agreement). Under this Agreement, data for the study is to be extracted from the Juvenile On-Line Tracking System (JOLTS), including data derived from dependency records that are closed to the public or protected as confidential by court rule or other state statutes or regulations. Now therefore,

Pursuant to the Supreme Court's administrative supervisory authority (Article VI, Section 3 of the Arizona Constitution) and rule-making authority (Article VI, Section 5 of the Arizona Constitution) over all of the courts of the state, as well as Rules 19 and 47, Rules of Procedure for the Juvenile Court, and Rule 123, Rules of the Supreme Court,

IT IS ORDERED that the Juvenile Justice Services Division of the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) is authorized to extract the data identified in the Agreement from the JOLTS system and provide it to Columbia University. Prior to data delivery, the AOC shall remove personal identifiers and replace them with an anonymous identifier.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that as a condition of receiving JOLTS data under this Administrative Order, Columbia University shall secure from public access all data provided, shall use the data only for research pursuant to the agreement, shall not release any data that could be used to identify a specific child and shall return all data provided by the AOC to the AOC for destruction on termination of the Agreement between Columbia and the AOC.

Dated this 16th day of March, 2006

RUTH V. MCGREGOR
Chief Justice