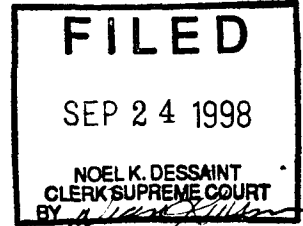


IN THE SUPREME COURT FOR THE STATE OF ARIZONA



In The Matter of:)
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Reinstatement of Proxy Designation) Administrative Order
for Arizona Judicial Council and Its) No. 98- 54
Committees) (Replacing Administrative
) Order No. 96-13 and Revising
) Administrative Order No. 90-13)
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_____)

On June 6, 1990, by Revised Administrative Order No. 90-13, the Supreme Court adopted the policies governing the Arizona Judicial Council (AJC) which included a provision under section 1.g. for AJC members to designate another "to serve as his or her proxy on motions before the Council."

At the December 20, 1995, meeting of the AJC, the Council voted to eliminate the proxy provision for the AJC and its committees. On March 13, 1996, by Administrative Order No. 96-13, the proxy provision which was adopted in Administrative Order No. 90-13 for the Arizona Judicial Council and all its committees was eliminated.

At the June 5, 1998, meeting, the Council reconsidered the 1996 the proxy designation and voted to reinstate the policy with the caveat that a proxy is a "delegate" of the council/committee member that has appointed them, and as an appointed delegate, they have the same responsibility to prepare on the issues. Further, it was decided that the chair of each committee would determine other parameters in the use of proxies for their committee.

Now, therefore,

IT IS ORDERED that Administrative Order No. 96.13 be rescinded, and that the provision under section 1.g. of the policies governing the Arizona Judicial Council which were adopted by Administrative Order No. 90-13 be reinstated and revised as follows:

1. That the "proxy" is a delegate of the council/committee member and, in that capacity, carries the same responsibility as does the member who they represent; and
2. That it is the responsibility of the proxy delegate to prepare themselves on the issues prior to the meeting; and
3. That it is the responsibility of the proxy delegate to consider any and all additional information presented at the meeting by staff and others, as well as the information

derived from the discussion of issues by the committee, prior to exercising their proxy vote on an issue; and

4. That the chair of the council/committee establish a policy that members attend a specified number or percentage of the meetings; and
5. That a council/committee member may not use the proxy provision more than a specified number of times during their term; this amount shall be determined by chair and membership of each committee and a committee policy established; and
6. That the use of proxies by members of the AJC and its committees is limited to extraordinary circumstances as determined by the chair of the respective committee.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this proxy policy shall be effective immediately for the Arizona Judicial Council and all its committees and commissions.

Dated this 24th day of September, 1998.

THOMAS A. ZLAKET
Chief Justice