## SUPREME COURT OF ARIZONA

| In the Matter of              | ) | Arizona Supreme Court |
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|                               | ) | No. R-08-0008         |
| PETITION TO AMEND THE ARIZONA | ) |                       |
| RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE RULE | ) |                       |
| 8(h)(1) AND RULE 84           | ) |                       |
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## ORDER RULE 8(h)(1), RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE

IT IS ORDERED that Rule 8(h)(1), Rules of Civil Procedure, be amended in accordance with the attachment hereto, effective January 1, 2009.

DATED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of September, 2008.

REBECCA WHITE BERCH Vice Chief Justice

TO: Rule 28 Distribution

## ATTACHMENT\*

Rule 8(h)(1). <u>Civil Cover Sheets</u>; Classification of Civil Actions

(1) Counsel for plaintiff or petition shall describe in the caption of each complaint or petition filedwith the court the nature of the civil action or proceeding as follows: Tort Motor vehicle, Tort-Non-Motor-Vehicle, Contract, Domestic Relations, Eminent Domain or Non-classified Civil, Writ of Garnishment. When filing the initial complaint or petition in a civil action, the plaintiff shall complete and submit a Civil Cover Sheet in a form approved by the Supreme Court. The Civil Cover Sheet shall contain the following: plaintiff's correct name and mailing address; the name of plaintiff's attorney and bar number; the defendant's name(s), the nature of the civil action or proceeding; the main case categories and subcategories designated by the Administrative. Director; whether the action meets the criteria for a complex action listed in Rule 8(i); and such other information as the Supreme Court may require. The superior court in each county may, with the approval of the Supreme Court, adopt a local rule requiring that additional information be provided in an Addendum to the Civil Cover Sheet. The Civil Cover Sheet shall be maintained on the website of the Administrative Office of the Courts.

(2) <u>Writs of garnishment do not require a Civil Cover Sheet</u>. Writs of garnishment shall include under the caption of the petition or complaint whichever one of the following notations is applicable:

- (A) Federal exemption
- (B) Enforce order of support
- (C) Enforce order of bankruptcy
- (D) Enforce collection of taxes

(E) Non-earnings.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>\*</sup> Changes or additions in text are indicated by <u>underlining</u> and deletions from text are indicated by <del>strikeouts</del>.

(3) In those counties in which a complex civil litigation program has been established, in addition to the description the Civil Cover Sheet designation required by (1), the caption shall also identify the action as complex if the action meets the criteria listed in Rule 8(i).