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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF PINAL

IN THE MATTER OF ASSIGNMENT AND)
DUTIES OF THE SUPERIOR COURT)
COMMISSIONERS AND JUDGES PRO-TEM)
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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

No. 2015 - 00054

WHEREAS the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court of Arizona in and for Pinal County is the Chief judicial officer of the county and has administrative authority over all courts in Pinal County, pursuant to Article VI of the Arizona Constitution and Arizona Supreme Court Administrative Order No. 2005-32 (revised May 16, 2005); and

WHEREAS the Superior Court is modifying certain caseload management practices in an ongoing effort to enhance the efficiency of the Judicial Branch of the Government in Pinal County, and the resources of the Superior Court have changed since prior Administrative Orders that allocated caseloads, which require modification of the current caseloads.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED affirming all current duties and assignments of all full-time and part-time judicial officers of the Superior Court, except where modified by the Administrative Order, effective November 9, 2015.

CIVIL

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Superior Court Judges may delegate the following additional Civil proceedings to Commissioner/JPT Dwight Callahan: all even numbered cases in which Plaintiff is in the custody of the DOC or other correctional facility or jail; [this authority includes Habeas Corpus and civil rights litigation]; lower court appeals; garnishment; supplemental proceedings; provisional remedy in replevin; forfeitures; requests related to service of process; and other matters with the consent of the Presiding Judge. In any such delegations, the assigned Superior Court's staff shall provide support to Judge Callahan, consistent with current practice on this caseload.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Superior Court Judges may delegate the following additional Civil proceedings to Commissioner/JPT Richard Platt: all odd numbered cases in which Plaintiff is in the custody of the DOC or other correctional facility or jail; [this authority includes Habeas Corpus and civil rights litigation]; lower court appeals; garnishment; supplemental proceedings; provisional remedy in replevin; forfeitures; requests related to service of process; and other matters with the consent of the Presiding Judge. In any such

delegations, the assigned Superior Court's staff shall provide support to Judge Platt, consistent with current practice on this caseload.

CRIMINAL

IT IS ORDERED that Commissioner/Judges Pro Tem Richard T. Platt (RTP), is assigned to the Criminal Bench and Supervised by the Presiding Criminal Judge, except that the Presiding Judge shall continue to assign temporary court-calendar coverage duties, as may be required.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Commissioner/JPT Richard T. Platt, shall assume the Law & Motion Criminal calendar conducted by Judge Pro-tem Bradley Soos effective Monday, November 9, 2015, or as otherwise directed by the Presiding Criminal Judge. All remaining Criminal Bench Functions previously assigned to Judge Soos (BMS) shall be reassigned to Commissioners/JPT Platt, as approved by the Presiding Criminal Judge, following consultation of the Commissioners/JPT with the Clerk of the Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Presiding Criminal Judge shall direct the reassignment of the current Criminal caseload of Judge Bradley Soos, except those that have been set for trial prior to December 31, 2015, to Judge Richard Platt, considering potential conflicts. These matters should be reassigned as soon as practical, by whatever method deemed most appropriate by the Presiding Criminal Judge, but case transfer shall be completed no later than December 15, 2015, and thereafter on a case-by-case basis by the Presiding Criminal Judge.

FAMILY

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Judge Pro Tem Bradley M. Soos (BMS) shall continue to be assigned to the Family Bench and shall be directly supervised by the Presiding Family Law Judge, except that the Presiding Judge shall continue to assign temporary court-calendar coverage duties, as required.

Dated this 3rd day of November, 2015.



Honorable Stephen F. McCarville,
Presiding Judge

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