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Ethics Advisory Committee  
Supreme Court of Arizona  
1501 W. Washington St.  
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**IN THE SUPREME COURT**

**STATE OF ARIZONA**

In the Matter of:

PETITION TO AMEND RULE 42.1,  
RULES OF THE SUPREME COURT OF  
ARIZONA

Supreme Court No. R-21-0047

Comment of the Ethics Advisory  
Committee

The Ethics Advisory Committee (“EAC”) submits this comment regarding rule change petition R-21-0047, which seeks to amend Rule 42.1, Ariz. R. Sup. Ct., governing procedural matters before the EAC.

The EAC considered the petitioners’ reasoning at a meeting on November 21, 2021. The members supported the proposed amendments to subsections (e), (h), and (i). The members had questions regarding the elimination of subsection (k) and ultimately voted to approve moving the proposal forward as drafted.

For the reasons stated in the petition, EAC remains supportive of the petition’s proposed amendments to subsections (e), (h), and (i) that the Certification and Licensing Division (“CLD”) process opinion requests and opinions issued by this

Committee, rather than processing them through the Clerk of the Arizona Supreme Court.

Upon learning that the existing provision for reconsideration in subsection (k) is at least used by the Arizona Supreme Court's Staff Attorneys' office, EAC does not now support the petition's proposed striking of subsection (k) and requests that subsection (k) of Rule 42.1 be retained.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 2nd day of May, 2022.

/s/ Christopher Staring  
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