



Upon consideration,

**IT IS ORDERED** granting the request to consider this petition on an expedited basis.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED**, pursuant to Rule 28(h)(2) of the Rules of the Supreme Court of Arizona, that Rule 31.3(e) is amended on an emergency basis in accordance with the amendment shown on the attachment to this order, effective immediately.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that during its August 2025 Rules Agenda, the Court will consider whether to adopt the rule amendment on a permanent basis.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that this amended petition and amendment are opened for public comment under Rule 28(c), Rules of the Supreme Court of Arizona, as to whether the amendment should be adopted on a permanent basis, with all comments due no later than May 1, 2025, and any reply due no later than June 2, 2025.

The petition may be viewed by going to: <http://www.azcourts.gov/Rules-Forum>. This opens the "Welcome" page. Petitions are posted under the appropriate body of rules. For example, the Rules of the Supreme Court can be found by scrolling down the page.

For instructions on how to post comments electronically, click on <https://www.azcourts.gov/rules/Forum-FAQ> at the top of

the "Forum FAQ" page and then "How do I file a comment on a Rule 28 petition?"

Alternatively, commenters may submit comments by filing an original and one paper copy of the comment and one electronic copy of the written comments and supporting documents in Microsoft Word format on a CD or other compatible electronic medium with the Clerk of the Supreme Court, 1501 West Washington St., Room 402, Phoenix, AZ 85007 in an envelope marked "Rule Comment."

Any person filing a comment must send a copy of the comment to the Petitioner electronically or by ordinary mail.

DATED this 28th day of January, 2025.

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ANN A. SCOTT TIMMER  
Chief Justice

TO:

Rule 28 Distribution  
Hon Samuel A Thumma

## ATTACHMENT<sup>1</sup>

### RULES OF THE SUPREME COURT OF ARIZONA

#### Rule 31.3. Exceptions to Rule 31.2

(a)–(d) [No change]

(e) Other.

(1)–(9) [No change]

(10) *Authorized Community Justice Workers and Certified Community Legal Advocates.* Authorized community justice workers and certified community legal advocates may perform services in compliance with the Arizona Code of Judicial Administration, Section 7-211: Community-Based Justice Work Service Delivery Models. An individual who has been disbarred by the highest court in any state; has been denied admission to the practice of law in Arizona for any reason other than the failure to secure a passing examination score; or has been denied certification, or whose certification has been revoked or suspended, by a regulatory governing body, is not eligible to become an authorized community justice worker or a certified community legal advocate.

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<sup>1</sup> Additions to the text of the rule are shown by underscoring.