

SUPREME COURT OF ARIZONA

In the Matter of) Arizona Supreme Court
) No. R-25-0041
RULES 1 AND 9, RULES OF SMALL)
CLAIMS PROCEDURE)
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) **FILED:06/19/2025**

O R D E R

On June 19, 2025, David K. Byers, Administrative Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts, filed a rule petition to amend Rules 1 and 9 of the Rules of Small Claims Procedure, along with the Appendix to those rules. The proposed amendments are intended to implement legislation adopted during this current legislative session increasing the jurisdictional limit of the small claims division of the justice courts from \$3500 to \$5000.

To ensure that the Court considers and acts on the proposed amendments before the enactment goes into effect in mid-to-late September 2025, Petitioner further requests that the petition be given expedited consideration under Rule 28(h)(1), Rules of the Supreme Court of Arizona, and be adopted on an emergency basis under Rule 28(h)(2) of the same rules.

Upon consideration,

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

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that during its August 2025 Rules Agenda, the Court will consider whether to adopt the proposed amendments to the rules on an emergency basis. If it does, the Court will consider whether to adopt the rule amendments on a permanent basis during its November 2025 Rules Agenda. If it decides not to adopt the proposed rule amendments on an emergency basis, the Court will decide whether to adopt them on a non-emergency basis during its November 2025 Rules Agenda.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this petition is opened for public comment under Rule 28(c), Rules of the Supreme Court of Arizona, with all comments due no later than October 1, 2025, and any reply due no later than October 15, 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 (such as the "Rules of Small Claims Procedure"), which 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 19th day of June, 2025.

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ANN A. SCOTT TIMMER
Chief Justice

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TO:

Rule 28 Distribution
David K Byers