

SUPREME COURT OF ARIZONA

In the Matter of ) Arizona Supreme Court  
 ) No. R-25-0042  
RULE 43(b), RULES OF PROTECTIVE )  
ORDER )  
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 ) **FILED:06/27/2025**

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**O R D E R**

On June 26, 2025, David K. Byers, Administrative Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts, filed a rule petition to amend Rule 43(b) of the Arizona Rules of Protective Order Procedure. The proposed amendment is intended to implement recent legislation regarding the type of convictions necessary to qualify for a lifetime no-contact injunction.

To ensure that the Court considers and acts on the proposed amendment 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 amendment to Rule 43(b) on an emergency basis. If it does, the Court will consider whether to adopt the rule amendment on a permanent basis during its November 2025 Rules Agenda. If it decides not to adopt the proposed rule amendment on an emergency basis, the Court will decide whether to adopt it 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 Protective Orders," which applies here), 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 27th 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