

SUPREME COURT OF ARIZONA

In the Matter of	)	Arizona Supreme Court
	)	No. R-25-0047
RULE 55(c), RULES OF PROBATE	)	
PROCEDURE	)	
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	)	FILED:09/22/2025

O R D E R

On September 19, 2025, David K. Byers, Administrative Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts ("AOC"), filed a rule petition on AOC's behalf to amend Rules 55(c) of the Arizona Rules of Probate Procedure. The proposed amendment would authorize AOC's Administrative Director to adopt, approve, or modify forms associated with the Probate Rules. Petitioner further requests that the petition be given expedited consideration under Rule 28(h)(1), Rules of the Supreme Court of Arizona, so it can be considered during the Court's November 2025 Rules agenda. He also requests that the proposed rule amendment be adopted on an emergency basis under Rule 28(h)(2) of the same rules, effective January 1, 2026.

Upon consideration,

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

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that during its November 2025 Rules Agenda, the Court will consider whether to adopt on an emergency basis the proposed amendment to Rule 55(c) of the Arizona Rules of Probate Procedure. If it does, the Court will consider whether to adopt the rule amendment on a permanent basis during its August 2026 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 the August 2026 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 23, 2025, and any reply due no later than October 30, 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 Probate Procedure," 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 22nd day of September, 2025.

/s/
ANN A. SCOTT TIMMER
Chief Justice

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TO:

Rule 28 Distribution

David K Byers