

SUPREME COURT OF ARIZONA

In the Matter of) Arizona Supreme Court
) No. R-24-0056
RULE 2.11, CODE OF JUDICIAL)
CONDUCT)
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) **FILED:08/28/2025**

**ORDER AMENDING ARIZONA CODE OF JUDICIAL CONDUCT RULE 2.11,
RULE 81 OF THE RULES OF THE SUPREME COURT OF ARIZONA**

On November 1, 2024, April P. Elliott, on behalf of the Arizona Commission on Judicial Conduct, filed a petition proposing to amend Rule 2.11 of the Arizona Code of Judicial Conduct, Rule 81 of the Rules of the Supreme Court of Arizona. No comments having been received, upon consideration,

IT IS ORDERED that Rule 2.11 of the Arizona Code of Judicial Conduct, Rule 81 of the Rules of the Supreme Court of Arizona, is amended in accordance with the attachment to this order, effective January 1, 2026.

DATED this 26th day of August, 2025.

/s/
ANN A. SCOTT TIMMER
Chief Justice

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TO:

Rule 28 Distribution

April Phillips Elliott

ATTACHMENT¹

RULES OF THE SUPREME COURT OF ARIZONA

Rule 81. Arizona Code of Judicial Conduct

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Rule 2.11. Disqualification

(A) – (D) [No change]

Comment

1. – 4. [No change]

5. A judge should disclose on the record information that the judge believes the parties or their lawyers might reasonably consider relevant to a possible motion for disqualification, even if the judge believes there is no basis for disqualification. “Reasonably” under this comment is an objective standard and means that an objective, disinterested, fully informed observer would consider the information relevant to a motion to disqualify. A judge need not recuse simply because a party files such a motion or requests recusal based on the information disclosed; disqualification is only required as set forth in subsection (A). In addition, a waiver under subsection (C) is not required unless the disclosure involves one of the circumstances described in paragraphs (A)(2) through (A)(6) or is such that an objective, disinterested, fully informed observer would reasonably question the judge’s impartiality.

6. – 7. [No change]

¹Additions to the text of the rule are shown by underscoring.