

SUPREME COURT OF ARIZONA

In the Matter of	)	Arizona Supreme Court
	)	No. R-25-0021
RULE 18(a), RULES OF PROBATE	)	
PROCEDURE	)	
	)	FILED 08/28/2025
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**ORDER AMENDING RULE 18 OF
THE ARIZONA RULES OF PROBATE PROCEDURE**

A petition having been filed proposing to amend Rule 18 of the Arizona Rules of Probate Procedure, and comments having been received, upon consideration,

IT IS ORDERED that Rule 18 of the Arizona Rules of Probate Procedure 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

TO:

Rule 28 Distribution

Hon Dean M Fink, Probate Presiding Judge

Hon John David Napper, Presiding Judge

Hon Sandra Bensley, Presiding Judge

ATTACHMENT¹

ARIZONA RULES OF PROBATE PROCEDURE

Rule 18. Dismissal for Failure to Obtain a Hearing Date

(a) Administrative Dismissal of Petition. If the petitioner has not, within 30 ~~60~~ days after filing a petition, obtained an initial hearing date, the court must notify petitioner, and anyone filing a demand for notice, that the petition may be administratively dismissed 30 days from the date of the court's notice, unless within that 30 days the petitioner has obtained a hearing date or an extension of the dismissal date. This provision does not apply to a petition subject to court accountant review.

(b)-(c) [No change]

¹ Additions to the text of a rule text are shown by underscoring and deletions are shown by ~~strike-through~~.