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*Comment of Individual Maricopa County Judicial Branch Officers
on Petition to Adopt Rule 135*

Exhibit 1

**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MARICOPA**

IN THE MATTER OF ESTABLISHING AN
ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
NO. 2024-011

The advancement of artificial intelligence within the justice system continues to expand and has already impacted courts throughout the United States. This evolution brings opportunities to improve services to meet the growing needs of the Judicial Branch. However, it also brings new challenges and concerns for our judicial officers, probation officers, information technology initiatives, and court records management.

Pursuant to Local Rule 1.7 and Administrative Order 2022-064, the Presiding Judge may appoint ad hoc committees as deemed necessary.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Artificial Intelligence Committee is established. This Committee shall serve as the central clearinghouse for all artificial intelligence (“AI”) matters for the Judicial Branch in Maricopa County in coordination with the recommendations, findings and directives of the Arizona Supreme Court and the Arizona Steering Committee on Artificial Intelligence and the Courts. This may include, but is not limited to:

- Identifying opportunities for the use of AI
- Evaluation and implementation of AI
- Litigation management using AI
- Recommending policies and procedures for the use of AI
- Ensuring consistency and collaboration with Supreme Court A.O. 2024-33
- Any additional responsibilities as determined by the Presiding Judge

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED the following members are appointed to the Committee:

Hon. Pamela Frasher Gates (Chair)	Shawn Friend
Hon. Danielle Viola	Dennis Carpenter
Hon. Ronda Fisk	Luke Emerson
Hon. Sara Agne	Keith Bluestein
Hon. John Blanchard	Brian Gay
Hon. James Knapp	Chris Driscoll
Raymond L. Billotte	Jennifer Albright
Karen Emerson	Ryan Valley
Marc Lamber	Mathew Luk
James Smith	Blaine Gadov

Dated this 27th day of March, 2024.

/s/ Joseph C. Welty
Hon. Joseph C. Welty
Presiding Judge

Original: Clerk of the Superior Court

Copies: Hon. Pamela Frasher Gates, Associate Presiding Judge
Hon. Danielle Viola, Civil Department Presiding Judge
Hon. Ronda Fisk, Family Department Presiding Judge
Hon. Sara Agne, Tax Department Presiding Judge
Hon. John Blanchard, Civil Department Associate Presiding Judge
Hon. James Knapp, Superior Court Judge, Maricopa County
Raymond L. Billotte, Judicial Branch Administrator
Shawn Friend, Deputy Court Administrator
Dennis Carpenter, General Counsel
Luke Emerson, Civil Department Administrator
Keith Bluestein, Deputy CIO
Brian Gay, Deputy CIO
Chris Driscoll, Clerk of the Court's Office
Jennifer Albright, Administrative Office of the Courts
Karen Emerson, Maricopa County Public Defender's Office
Ryan Valley, Maricopa County Adult Probation
Blaine Gadow, Maricopa County Attorney's Office
Marc Lamber, Fennemore Craig
Matthew Luk, Tiffany & Bosco
James Smith, Osborn Maledon