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IN THE SUPREME COURT STATE OF ARIZONA

In the Matter of)	Supreme Court No. R-18-0005
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PETITION TO AMEND RULE 123, RULES OF)	COMMENT SUPPORTING
THE SUPREME COURT OF ARIZONA AND)	PROPOSED RULE CHANGES
RULES 19, 47, 75 & 86, RULES OF)	
PROCEDURE FOR THE JUVENILE COURT)	
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The Arizona Association of Superior Court Clerks (Clerks) submits the following comments supporting the modifications proposed by the Clerk of the Superior Court and Juvenile Court Presiding Judge in Maricopa County.

The Clerks agree that the Clerk and Court in every county face challenges providing the right level of access to the right individuals in juvenile matters. Because of the current ambiguity in the rules, the access that one Clerk or judicial officer would authorize may vary from another within or between counties. The petition improves the consistency that parties, attorneys, agencies, and the public can expect statewide. The petition provides needed clarity in the type of access authorized for agencies involved in juvenile cases, such as Foster Care Review Boards, the Department of Juvenile Corrections, Juvenile Probation, and others. The proposed clarity and direction in the rules will improve the speed and accuracy of access to juvenile records.

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Via email and electronic filing of comment