

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

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NOEL K. DESSAINT
CLERK SUPREME COURT
BY *[Signature]*

In the Matter of:)
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GREENLEE COUNTY JUSTICE)
COURT #1)
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_____)

Administrative Order
No. 97- 11

The Supreme Court, having administrative supervision over all courts of the state pursuant to the Constitution of Arizona, Article VI, periodically conducts reviews of court operations. Whereas, a Supreme Court operational review of the Greenlee County Justice Court #1 indicates operational and administrative problems, additional action is required. Given the circumstances the court requires additional supervision to assure proper operation of the court,

IT IS NOW ORDERED as follows:

Judge Allen Minker, Presiding Judge of the Superior Court in Greenlee County, is hereby ordered to assume administrative control of the Greenlee County Justice Court #1. Judge Minker may issue any order required to insure the integrity and proper independent operation of the Greenlee County Justice Court #1.

Judge Manuel (Rocky) Manuz is assigned to perform his duties as Justice of the Peace under the supervision of Allen Minker, Presiding Judge of the Superior Court in Greenlee County.

A monitor judge, or judges, will be appointed by the Supreme Court to act as temporary Presiding Justice of the Peace of the Greenlee County Justice Court #1 and, in that role, will review the case processing actions of the court, including:

1. Monitoring the Justice of the Peace to determine that all matters and persons are handled in a professional manner in accordance with the law, the Code of Judicial Conduct, the Rules of Procedure and administrative orders of the Supreme Court;
2. Mentoring the Justice of the Peace regarding the conduct of and rulings made by the Justice of the Peace;
3. Providing assistance with the administration of the Greenlee County Justice Court #1 in accordance with this order;
4. Providing regular status reports to the Presiding Judge of the County, Judge Allen Minker, and the AOC.

Judge Manuz and all court staff are directed to cooperate with the monitor judge when he or she is appointed and to be responsive to the direction of the monitor judge.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, any costs incurred by or associated with the appointment of the monitor judge, including salary, mileage and per diem expenses, shall be paid by Greenlee County.

Until further order of the Court, all books and records of the Greenlee County Justice Court #1, wherever located, are hereby being transferred to the control of Judge Minker. The Court recognizes that physical possession of the books and records is presently with Judge Manuz and the Greenlee County Justice Court #1. Therefore,

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, until further order of the Court, no person, other than Judge Allen Minker or his designees, or the Administrative Director of the Courts or his designee, shall remove from the premises of the Greenlee County Justice Court #1 any court documents or records of any type whatsoever for any reason whatsoever, nor shall any such court documents or records be defaced, altered or destroyed wherever located. This order is intended to and does apply to all personnel of the Greenlee County Justice Court #1, including judges, the clerk, the deputy clerks, all employees of the court, county officials and any agents or representatives of any of the foregoing named individuals.

DATED this 10th day of February, 1997.

CHARLES E. JONES
Vice Chief Justice