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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA  
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF PINAL

AMENDING ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER )  
2015-00044: IN THE MATTER OF )  
ELECTRONIC AND PHOTOGENIC )  
COVERAGE OF PUBLIC JUDICIAL )  
PROCEEDINGS )

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

No. 2019-00035

**WHEREAS**, the Superior Court in Pinal County conforms to Arizona Supreme Court Rule 122 governing the use of electronic and photographic coverage of public judicial proceedings. Consistent with the rule, the court may make reasonable provisions to prevent interference with court employees and members of the public who are conducting business in the courthouse; to maintain the security of the court, employees and the public; and to secure the privacy of jurors serving the court. All use of cameras of any type in the courthouse is prohibited without express permission.

**NOW, THEREFORE IT IS ORDERED:**

1. Except for juvenile court proceedings, requests for permission for electronic, video or still photographic coverage of public judicial proceedings shall be made by filing the court's Request for Media Access form with the Court Administrator, or designee. The completed form will then be reviewed and forwarded to the assigned judicial officer presiding over the proceeding. The assigned judge shall determine whether and under what conditions such coverage shall be permitted in accordance with Supreme Court Rule 122.
2. In juvenile court, electronic coverage of proceedings is not permitted, except in adoption proceedings, and then only with the agreement of the parties to the proceeding and the court, pursuant to Rule 122.
3. In areas of the courthouse other than courtrooms, the use of photographic equipment is prohibited without the specific prior authorization of the Presiding Judge or designee.
4. In the Clerk of the Court's offices, private parties may take photographs as permitted by the Clerk.

5. With approval of the judge assigned to the case, journalists may use personal audio recorders in the courtroom, but such usage shall not be obtrusive or distracting, as provided in Rule 122.
6. Live video or live-streaming to the internet/social media is prohibited.
7. Any individual using electronic or photographic equipment to cover public judicial proceedings or otherwise within the courthouse is responsible to become familiar with, understand, and follow the requirements of Supreme Court Rule 122 and this Administrative Order. Strict compliance with the Rule and this Administrative Order is required. Failure to do so may result in loss of permission to use such devices in this court and such other sanction as may be appropriate.

DATED this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of August, 2019

  
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Honorable Stephen F. McCarville,  
Presiding Judge

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