

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

IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTMENT OF )	ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
A PRESIDING JUDGE OF THE JUVENILE )	NO. 2019-077
DEPARTMENT )	
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WHEREAS, Maricopa County Superior Court Local Rule 1.2 authorizes the Presiding Judge to select Department Presiding Judges; and

WHEREAS, Rule 92 of the Rules of the Supreme Court and Arizona Supreme Court Administrative Order 2017-79 authorizes the Presiding Judge to make judicial assignments; and

WHEREAS, Arizona Supreme Court Administrative Order 2017-79 specifically authorizes the Superior Court Presiding Judge to appoint a presiding judge of the juvenile court, "to perform under the administrative supervision of the Presiding Judge;" and

WHEREAS, A.R.S. §8-201 defines "juvenile court" as the "juvenile division of the superior court when exercising its jurisdiction over children in any proceeding relating to delinquency, dependency or incorrigibility;" and

WHEREAS Title 8, Chapter 2 of the Arizona Revised Statutes sets forth various powers and duties of the "presiding judge of the juvenile court;" therefore

**IT IS ORDERED** appointing the Honorable Joseph Kreamer as the Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Department effective July 8, 2019 to manage the day-to-day operations and provide administrative oversight over all cases and judges assigned to the Juvenile Department, direct initial and continuing training for the Juvenile Department, and conduct regular departmental meetings. In addition, the Juvenile Department Presiding Judge shall serve as the representative of the Superior Court in Maricopa County on any statutory or non-statutory committees related to the Juvenile Department as appointed by the Arizona Supreme Court.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the statutory powers of the "presiding judge of the juvenile court" set forth in A.R.S. §8-203, §8-204, and §8-231 are retained by the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** Administrative Order 2019-072 is rescinded.

Dated this 27<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2019.

/s/ Janet E. Barton  
Janet E. Barton  
Presiding Judge

Original: Clerk of the Superior Court

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