

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE MEMBERS OF)
THE FELONY DEFENSE REVIEW)
COMMITTEE)
_____)

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
NO. 2020-131

Pursuant to Administrative Order No. 2019-165, the members of the Felony Defense Review Committee (“Committee”) act under the authority of the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court in Maricopa County and are tasked with implementing the Plan for Review of Appointed Defense Counsel (the “Plan”).

The Plan provides that the Committee shall be composed of the director of the Office of Public Defense Services (“OPDS”); the heads of the three adult indigent criminal defense offices, or their designees; the Presiding Criminal Judge, or a Maricopa County Superior Court Judge designated by the Presiding Criminal Judge; and four members of the criminal defense bar, appointed by the Presiding Criminal Judge, who do not hold a current OPDS contract or pending contract application and who are not currently employed by a Maricopa County indigent defense agency.

The Plan provides that the appointments of the members of the criminal defense bar are for designated terms.

The Plan further provides that the Committee chair and vice-chair shall be appointed for a one-year term, which can be renewed for up to three consecutive years.

On May 15, 2020, Administrative Order 2020-074 was issued setting forth the current members of the Committee. The expiration of members’ terms requires updated appointments.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED reappointing Ralph Ellinwood as a member of the criminal defense bar to the Committee for another three-year term expiring August 22, 2023.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED appointing Steve Koestner as Committee Chair and Lawrence Koplow as Vice-Chair through August 22, 2021. Former Committee Chair David G. Derickson will continue to serve out his term as a regular committee member.

Dated this 10th day of September, 2020.

/s/ Patricia Starr
Hon. Patricia Starr
Criminal Presiding Judge

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