

**SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA
MARICOPA COUNTY**

IN THE MATTER OF PROBATION
MONITORING OF COURT ORDERED
FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS

} ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
} No. 2016 - 085
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Many of the individuals placed on probation under the supervision of the Maricopa County Adult Probation Department have current child support orders. Probation officers are aware of job changes and other financial situations that may impact the person's ability to pay child support. This places the probation officers in a unique position to assist the person on probation, as well as the court, in helping to ensure child support is paid in both the appropriate amount and in a timely manner.

The timely payment of child support and any other court ordered financial obligation will help restore the person's place in the community. For this reason and many others, multiple jurisdictions, including federal courts, allow the probation departments to help ensure those placed on probation are compliant with child support orders and other court ordered financial obligations and know how to seek a modification of their child support obligation when it is appropriate to do so. Therefore,

IT IS ORDERED authorizing the Maricopa County Adult Probation Department to collect information about child support orders and any delinquency in paying child support when conducting the presentence interviews, gather information about the payment of child support from other available sources, and include child support payment information in the presentence report.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED authorizing employees of the Maricopa County Adult Probation Department to provide forms for modification of child support, to contact family court administration regarding those individuals who are facing incarceration of six months or more for possible follow up regarding child support modification, and to provide available employment information to family court administration, enabling family court administration to obtain updated withholding orders.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED authorizing probation officers of the Maricopa County Adult Probation Department, subject to the probation terms ordered by the Court, to support and encourage timely child support payments and payment of any other Superior Court ordered financial obligations of those placed on probation. In addition, probation officers of the Maricopa County Adult Probation Department are authorized to notify family court administration in writing of changes of relevant employment information of those individuals being

supervised by the Maricopa County Adult Probation Department with active child support orders. This may cause family court to take any available appropriate steps necessary to enforce its orders.

Dated this 30th day of September, 2016

/s/ Janet E. Barton

Honorable Janet E. Barton
Presiding Judge

Original: Clerk of the Superior Court

Copies: All Criminal Judges and Commissioners
All Family Court Judges and Commissioners
Raymond Billotte, Judicial Branch Administrator
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Phil Knox, Deputy Court Administrator
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