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

DONNA McQUALITY, Clerk  
By: J. DEROIS

IN THE MATTER OF: )  
 ) ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER  
RESUMPTION OF COURT SERVICES & )  
COVID-19 MITIGATION MEASURES )  
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 ) No. 2021-17  
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Due to the concern for the spread of COVID-19 in the general population the Governor of the State of Arizona has declared a statewide emergency pursuant to A.R.S. § 26-303 and in accordance with A.R.S. §26-301(15). To address concerns related to the spread of COVID-19, the Yavapai County Superior Court initially suspended all jury trials. Further, with permission of the Arizona Supreme Court, the Yavapai County Superior Court adopted the Yavapai County Expanded Alternative Dispute Resolution program for use in civil cases. Pursuant to this Court's Administrative Order 2020-19, participation in this program was mandatory.

The Yavapai County Superior Court resumed conducting trials in criminal cases in June of 2020. The Court has implemented multiple mitigation strategies to conduct these trials safely. Based on the success of these strategies, it is now possible to renew civil trials in Yavapai County.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, as of November 1, 2021, participation in the Yavapai County Expanded Alternative Dispute Resolution program is no longer mandatory. Parties in the litigation may stipulate to participate in the program at their discretion. The Court may only accept this stipulation if agreed upon by all parties.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, on November 1, 2021, civil jury trials shall resume in Yavapai County Superior Court. Jury selection in civil cases shall occur on dates or times that

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(x) Chief Deputy ( )  
(x) Court Administrator ( )  
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do not conflict with jury selection in criminal cases. Judges presiding over civil jury trials shall also be guided by the COVID-19 mitigation strategies employed in criminal jury trials.

DATED at Prescott, Arizona, the 1<sup>st</sup> day of November, 2021.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'JNL', is written above a horizontal line.

Honorable John Napper  
Yavapai County Presiding Judge