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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MOHAVE

IN THE MATTER OF:)	
COMPLIANCE WITH SUPREME COURT ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 96-36)))	ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 99- 45

WHEREAS, Arizona Supreme Court Administrative Order 96-36 demonstrates the Arizona Supreme Courts support for use and development of alternative dispute resolution (ADR) programs by adopting the recommendations of the Commission on the Courts' that courts establish innovative ADR programs, and by entry of Administrative Order No. 91-30 which created the ADR Advisory Committee. It is the intent of the Court to provide direction to justice courts regarding establishing, expanding, or improving court-connected mediation programs and to further all courts of the intent to expand application of Standards and Guidelines for Court-Connected Mediation Programs.

Now, therefore, pursuant to Article VI, Section 3, of the Arizona Constitution; A.R.S. § § 12-134, 12-135.B, and 22-201(G); and Rule 16(g), Arizona Rules of Civil Procedure,

IT IS ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The attached Justice and Municipal Court Mediation Program Policies and Procedures are adopted for Mohave County courts establishing, expanding, or improving court-connected mediation programs.
- 2. Mediation is approved as a method of dispute resolution for Mohave County courts when the mediation program is established in accordance with the attached Policies and Procedures as provided in this order. The Policies and Procedures shall be considered when establishing or improving a court-connected mediation program.
- These Justice and Municipal Court Mediation Program Policies and Procedures developed specifically for justice of the peace courts, are also

relevant to municipal and superior courts, and shall be considered in operating existing programs and establishing new programs.

4. It is the intent of this Order to adopt these Policies and Procedures for all courts in the future.

Dated this _____

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Hon. Gary R. Pope Presiding Judge