

Arizona Supreme Court

Rule 28 Petition

R-25-0053

RULE 326.1, PROCEDURE FOR THE JUVENILE COURT

Appellate Case Information

Case Filed: 12-Dec-2025

Case Closed:

Dept/Composition

Side 1. RULE 326.1, RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR THE JUVENILE COURT, Other

(Litigant Group) PETITIONERS: MARICOPA COUNTY OFFICE OF PUBLIC DEFENSE SERVICES; MARICOPA COUNTY OFFICE OF LEGAL ADVOCATE; MARICOPA COUNTY OFFICE OF LEGAL DEFENDER; MARICOPA COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDERS OFFICE & MARICOPA COUNTY OFFICE OF PUBLIC ADVOCATE

- Maricopa County Office of Public Defense Services, Petitioner
• Maricopa County Office of the Legal Advocate, Petitioner
• Maricopa County Legal Defender's Office, Petitioner
• Maricopa County Public Defender's Office, Petitioner
• Maricopa County Office of the Public Advocate, Petitioner

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- Pima County Public Defender's Office, Commentor

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(Litigant Group) COMMENTOR: COMMITTEE ON JUVENILE COURTS

- Committee on Juvenile Courts, Commentor
• Hon Anna C Young, Committee on Juvenile Courts, Commentor

(Litigant Group) COMMENTOR: ARIZONA ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE

- Arizona Attorney General's Office, Commentor

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- Arizona Commission on Access to Justice, Commentor
• Hon Samuel A Thumma, Arizona Commission on Access to Justice

CASE STATUS

Dec 12, 2025....Pending

6 PROCEEDING ENTRIES

- 1. 12-Dec-2025 FILED: Joint Petition by the Directors of the Maricopa County Indigent Defense Agencies (Petitioner The Maricopa County Office of Public Defense Services by Rosemarie Pena-Lynch; Maricopa County Office of the Legal Advocate by Steve Koestner; Maricopa County Office of Legal Defender by Michael C. Jones; Maricopa County Public Defenders Office by Lina G. Garcia; Maricopa County Office of Public Advocate by Shannon L. Burns)
2. 22-Jan-2026 Rule petitions have been filed in the above-captioned matters under Rule 28(a), Rules of the Supreme Court of Arizona. Upon consideration, IT IS ORDERED that these petitions are opened for public comment pursuant to Rule 28(c), Rules of the Supreme Court of Arizona. Comments must be submitted by no later than Friday, May 1, 2026, and any reply by a petitioner must be submitted no later than Monday, June 1, 2026. The petitions may be viewed by going to: http://www.azcourts.gov/Rules-Forum. This opens the "Welcome" page. Petitions are posted under the appropriate body of rules. For example, the Rules of Criminal Procedure can be found by scrolling down the page. For instructions on how to post comments electronically, follow the steps listed above and click on http://www.azcourts.gov/rules/Forum-FAQ at the top of the "Forum FAQ" page and then "How do I file a comment on a Rule 28 petition?" Alternatively, commenters may submit comments by filing an original and one paper copy of the comment with the Clerk of the Supreme Court, 1501 West Washington St., Room 402, Phoenix, AZ 85007 in an envelope marked "Rule Comment." Any person filing a comment must send a copy of the comment to the Petitioner electronically or by ordinary mail. (Hon. John R. Lopez IV)

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3. 1-Apr-2026 FILED: (Comment) (Pima County Public Defender's Office)
4. 23-Apr-2026 FILED: Comment of the Committee on Juvenile Courts (Committee on Juvenile Courts by Anna Young, Chair)
5. 27-Apr-2026 FILED: Comment on Petition (Arizona Attorney General's Office by Kristin K. Mayes, Attorney General and Anndrea Kawamura, Assistant Attorney General)
6. 29-Apr-2026 FILED: Comments of the Arizona Commission on Access to Justice Supporting the Petition (Arizona Commission on Access to Justice by Judge Samuel A. Thumma, Chair)