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

IN THE MATTER OF: THE MENTAL) ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
HEALTH TASK FORCE (Amending)
A.O. 2021 – 00040) 2021 00064

WHEREAS, the Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee (CJCC) is a partnership between county and state criminal justice agencies and departments to address issues and needs arising within the justice system in Pinal County; and

It is recognized that cases involving individuals with mental health issues have posed challenges to the justice system, as well as to the persons involved and their families and the judiciary is in a unique position to bring community stakeholders together to develop solutions to improve the administration of justice for those with mental and behavioral healthcare needs; and

It is also recognized that a committee comprised of justice and mental health stakeholders to identify and recommend ways to address the issues and challenges faced by justice system involved individuals with mental and behavioral healthcare needs is appropriate.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that the Mental Health Task Force (MHTF) will become a Subcommittee of the Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee with the following goals:

1. Identify and collaborate to resolve issues/concerns regarding the interface of the mental health and criminal justice systems in Pinal County; and
2. Identify ways to divert those with mental health involvement/issues from the criminal justice system at the earliest point possible; and
3. Any topics and/or issues as deemed appropriate by the Chair.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that the Chair of the MHTF will be the Vulnerable Persons Unit Director. The Chair will invite members as appropriate for the issues being discussed. Meetings shall be scheduled by the Chair and Court Administration will provide staff for the Committee.

If necessary, recommendations will be forwarded to the Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee for discussion and approval.

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Dated this 28 day of October, 2021



Honorable Joseph R. Georgini
Presiding Judge

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