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Updated Guidance for Processing Eviction Matters During the COVID-19 Pandemic

PHOENIX – In April, the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) provided guidance in answering questions raised by the governor's executive order, the Arizona Supreme Court's Administrative Orders, and the federal CARES Act as they related to the residential eviction process during the coronavirus pandemic. In response to a more recent executive order and other changes, the AOC has updated its guidance and a form for tenants to use when notifying their landlord of a qualifying COVID-19-related circumstance.

The updated guidance is available on the AOC's website at: https://www.azcourts.gov/Portals/34/20200811EvictionGuidanceFinal.pdf (in English) and will be available in Spanish at: https://www.azcourts.gov/Portals/34/20200811EvictionGuidanceFinalS.pdf (Spanish-language URL effective soon). This guidance is intended to assist tenants, landlords, attorneys, judges, and court personnel in understanding how the related COVID-19 orders have affected eviction case processing under the Arizona Residential Landlord and Tenant Act and the Arizona Mobile Home Parks Residential Landlord and Tenant Act. It does not address commercial leases.

For more information and resources on evictions, including a "Notice to Landlord" form and links to the Arizona Department of Housing's rental assistance page, see the Court's "COVID-19 Processing Eviction Matters" website at https://www.azcourts.gov/selfservicecenter/Landlord-Tenant-Disputes-Eviction-Actions/COVID-19-Processing-Eviction-Matters.

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