



SUPERIOR COURT of the STATE OF ARIZONA

County of Navajo



Dale P. Nielson, Presiding Judge

IN RE THE MATTER OF:

RESUMPTION OF COURT SERVICES  
AND COVID-19 MITIGATION MEASURES  
IN NAVAJO COUNTY COURT FACILITIES

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER  
NUMBER 2021-015

In response to the COVID-19 public health threat, the Supreme Court has issued several administrative orders that have modified court operations to ensure justice in Arizona is administered safely.

Pursuant to the Supreme Court Administrative Order No. 2021-77, the presiding superior court judges shall determine for the courts in their respective counties how in-person court proceedings and courthouse activities are to be phased-in and conducted, consistent with this order, in a manner intended to offer reasonable protection to all participants.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED** that in-person court proceedings and courthouse activities in the Navajo County Court facilities are to be phased-in consistent with Phase II(B) of the Supreme Court "Standards for Resumption of On-site Court Operations During a Public Health Emergency".

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that face masks will be optional for the public, judicial officers, employees and court participants in Navajo County Court facilities. Those who have not been fully vaccinated are encouraged to wear masks or other face coverings and maintain social distancing.

EXECUTED this 2nd day of June 2021.

Dale P. Nielson, Presiding Judge

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