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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The Arizona Process Servers Association wishes to welcome spring and the endeavors of the new year.

The Arizona Process Servers Association (APSA) has been in existence since 1973 and is the original Arizona Process Servers Association. APSA has been a charter member of NAPPS for several years and we pride ourselves in being a Professional Association and having Professional members.

In the past year we have had our members and committee members working to change law in Arizona, to add Private Process Servers to the Aggravated Assault Statute. This year we had some progress, although our bill was stalled in the House of Representatives.

During this endeavor we have developed many professional relationships with various other Associations such as the Arizona Sheriff's Association, Constables Association, AZPOST, Police Chiefs Association, FOP and the Association of Counties.

We have also had a committee working with the Arizona Supreme Court who is in the process of making changes to the "Rules" of process service. We have had many meetings with the Supreme Court and with The Clerks of the Court Association during this endeavor and hope to have a positive influence in assisting them in make various rule changes.

APSA has also been working with our sister organization the Arizona Association of Licensed Private Investigators (AALPI) and we hope to renew a positive working relationship with them and work in conjunction with them on various projects including various State Bills that will benefit both of our organizations.

This year the APSA training and conference will be held on September 25th & 26th, 2012 in Phoenix Arizona. Some of our new friends from the Arizona Constables Association, Civil Deputies and other Associations will be attending this year's conference.

Joe Abate our lobbyist will be presenting a class at the conference this year on, "How a Bill becomes Law." This should be an informative class for any other Association who is contemplating submitting a bill to their State Legislators or members of associations who want to understand the process.

We hope to see many of you at our conference in September.

Sincerely

Larry Ratcliff, President,
Arizona Process Servers Association

From your Director Luis Figueroa:

Hello fellow APSA members. I hope you all had a great time over the holidays and wishing you a Happy, Health and Prosperous New Year. I had the great opportunity to teach our APSA certification class in Tucson Arizona in December 2011. I had a great time teaching and believe that everyone else that was there also had a great time. We went over the study guide and I also showed some process serving videos, something new, fun and interesting for all to see. I hope those that attended had a good time. I want to thank Mr. Ron Ezell for his help at the class.

Again thank you everyone and until next time :)

Luis Figueroa Sr.
APSA – Board of Directors



EDITOR'S CORNER

Hello APSA, Members. Spring is here. Open those windows and get your fresh air. While the Board Members have been exceptionally busy with the Legislation, I did attend one stakeholders meeting with several of the constables present. The board has been working diligently this year to change several rulings. While a lot of you do not see this effect, there is time spent with meetings, phone calls, legislative speaking and written requests back and forth. I would like to thank, Larry for making many many trips to Phoenix to handle this, Ron Ezell, Jenna Jones & Barry Goldman. They have spent a lot of their own time in this effort. Be sure to say thank you to them if and when you see them. We have settled on the upcoming Annual Conference dates and will be more in the newsletter about this later. Tracy Canderlaria our committee chair has taken the duty of this and is doing a great job. REMEMBER, please review your listing to make sure all the data is correct on the website.

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PROCESS SERVERS QUARTERLY MEETING MINUTES

Day & Date: Tuesday, January 31, 2012 **Location:** Downtown Justice Center
620 West Jackson, 2nd Floor, Room 2
Signage will be posted
Time: 12:00p – 1:00 pm **Facilitator:** Michael K. Jeanes

PURPOSE OF MEETING

Community Awareness; Process Servers, Court and Clerk's Office Information and Exchange Meeting

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Names

Clerk of the Superior Court
Superior Court
AOC

Justice Court
Process Servers
Judicial Officers

Topic

Presenter

1. Welcoming Remarks Michael K. Jeanes,
Clerk of the Superior Court

2. eFiling and ECR Updates Michael K. Jeanes,
Clerk of the Superior Court
 - o Status update from a meeting with the Supreme Court, eFiling on AZ Turbo Court changes: Pima County will start testing civil case initiation for eFiling. We anticipate by summer 2012 it will go live in Pima County. When that comes about and it's running smoothly Maricopa County will work towards case initiation for eFiling.
 - o September 29, 2011 we have enabled Tax Court eFiling, which is going well.
 - o Clerk's office upcoming plans for the Juvenile Court: in January 2012 we will begin implementation of the Electronic Court Record.
 - o Other initiatives with eFiling are for Family Court. The plan is to take the materials into the system so that Pro Se litigants will fill out the forms online and eFile.

- o The Supreme Court is looking into a different payment process for AZ Turbo Court: in the summer of 2012 they will move away from PayPal.

3. Budget Status Update Michael K. Jeanes,
Clerk of the Superior Court
- o There are three major items:
 - 1) 07/01/2012 legislation concerning County inmates sentenced to less than a year will stay in County Jail rather than go to DOC.
 - 2) When the temporary sales tax expires in mid-2013 the budget could be destabilized.
 - 3) State recommends to budget at same level as last year at 5% reduction.

4. CCB Remodel Update Michael K. Jeanes,
Clerk of the Superior Court
- o Firm date starting the first week of March 2012
 - o Finishing in April of 2013
- Done in two phases:
- o Phase 1; CV filing counter will move over and share the space with FC filing counter and WCB remodel will begin.
 - o Phase 2; all filing counters will move to the WCB remodeled area and the CCB remodeling will begin.
 - o Expectations are that it will be really nice, there will be a Qmatic number system

South Tower Update

- o South Tower grand opening will be February 14, 2012.
- o South Tower will be open to the public on February 27, 2012.
- o Criminal filing counter will be housed on the 12th floor.

5. Justice Court Information James Vance, Justice Courts
o The Justice Courts may consider having night drop depositories.
o Small claims eFiling will be in effect March 2012.

6. Process Server Registration Michael K. Jeanes, Clerk of the Superior Court
Code Changes ACJA 7-204
o Any propose changes to ACJA 7-204 will go to the public for comments for a period of two months.
o Next month, the proposed changes will be known at the ACJA 7-204 meetings. We encourage the public to attend and provide suggestions.
o The ACJA 7-204 meeting notice will be posted on the Clerk's website.

7. Other Business, Questions and Comments
Michael Jeanes advice that the AOC is looking at uniforming process servers ID cards on a statewide basis.

FOR ISSUES YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE ON FUTURE AGENDAS, PLEASE EMAIL THE COSC PROCESS SERVER MAILBOX AT: PROCESSSERVERCORRESPONDENCE@MAIL.MARICOPA.GOV
NEXT QUARTERLY MEETING – TUESDAY, JANUARY 10TH, 2012 AT 12: PM
Downtown Justice Center - 620 West Jackson, 2nd Floor Training Room 2083

Calendar of Events

Arizona Process Servers Continuing Education Classes in Bullhead City Saturday, March 31, 2012

Court & Clerk's Exchange Meeting

Tuesday, April 10, 2012

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm at 620 West Jackson, 2nd floor, Phoenix, AZ

Maricopa County Testing for Process Servers Certification

Thursday, April 19th, 2012 promptly at 9:30 AM-

YOU MUST PRE REGISTER

620 West Jackson – Third Floor – Suite 3017, Phoenix, AZ

Board Meeting

Saturday, April 21, 2012 –9:00 AM

1209 East Washington Street, Phoenix, AZ

National Association Professional Process Servers Annual Convention, April 26, 2012 – April 28, 2012 in Boston, MA.

See: www.napps.org for more information

PIMA County Testing for Process Servers Certification

2012 promptly at 8:30 AM-

YOU MUST PRE REGISTER

110 West Congress, Room 131A, Tucson, AZ

Maricopa County Testing for Process Servers Certification

Thursday, May 17th, 2012 promptly at 9:30 AM-

YOU MUST PRE REGISTER

620 West Jackson – Third Floor – Suite 3017, Phoenix, AZ

Court Holiday-Memorial Day

Monday, May 28, 2012 – COURTS CLOSED

FLAGSTAFF CONTINUING EDUCATION CLASSES TO BE ANNOUNCED for JUNE 2012

Maricopa County Testing for Process Servers Certification

Thursday, June 21st, 2012 promptly at 9:30 AM-

YOU MUST PRE REGISTER

620 West Jackson – Third Floor – Suite 3017, Phoenix, AZ

Court Holiday – Independence Day

Wednesday July 4, 2012 – COURTS CLOSED

Court & Clerk's Exchange Meeting

Tuesday, July 10, 2012

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm at 620 West Jackson, 2nd floor, Phoenix, AZ

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Thursday, July 19th, 2012 promptly at 9:30 AM-

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Calendar of Events (cont'd)

**Arizona Process Servers Association Annual Conference
AND Continuing Education Classes
August 25th & 26th, 2012-at The Crowne Hotel
2532 West Peoria Avenue, Phoenix, AZ**

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SEPTEMBER 17TH AND 18TH



Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court
Pima County

Patricia Noland, Clerk of Superior Court in Tucson will be implementing the new Digital Process Server License cards authorized by the State of Arizona shortly. They expect this to be within the next thirty to sixty days. The site for obtaining the new licenses will be the Clerk of Superior Court, Room 131-A, 110 West Congress Street, Tucson, AZ 85701.

There will be a \$26.00 fee for replacement of existing, unexpired licenses. Process Servers must surrender the license in their possession in order to receive the new license. Process Servers who are renewing their certification will continue to receive the old Provisional license until the new machines are delivered and up and ready. The Pima County Clerks will give us their start date as it becomes closer.

SOME IMPORTANT WEBSITES

Stay up to date with all legislative changes, including those that may affect process serving rules and regulations at the following website:

www.azleg.state.az.us

**Process Servers and Court Exchange Meeting dates, minutes and agendas
can be viewed at:**

www.clerkofcourt.maricopa.gov

Be sure to click on the link below for some updates from the court:

http://www.clerkofcourt.maricopa.gov/process_svr.asp

**Click on “Process Servers” under “Services”
Process Server Coordinator Ken Shipley #602-506-1909
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**Supreme Court Process Server Program
can be viewed at:**

<http://www.supreme.state.az.us/cld/pps.htm>

**A wealth of information including continuing education information
Kimberly Siddall #602-452-3378**

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