

RESOLUTION NO. 1645

PETITION TO THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA FOR
APPROVAL OF AN ADDITIONAL JUDGE FOR A SEVENTH DIVISION OF THE ARIZONA
SUPERIOR COURT FOR YAVAPAI COUNTY

WHEREAS, §12-121 of the Arizona Revised Statutes provides that, in each county having a census enumeration of greater than thirty thousand inhabitants, and upon petition by the board of supervisors of such county to the Governor and upon approval thereof, there shall be an additional judge of the superior court for each thirty thousand inhabitants, or majority fraction thereof as determined by the board of supervisors; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Robert Brutinel, Presiding Judge of the Superior court for Yavapai County has petitioned the Board of Supervisors for creation of a seventh division of the Superior Court for Yavapai County; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the criteria established by §12-121 of the Arizona Revised Statutes, a population of 195,000 inhabitants would be required for the addition of a judge to serve in a seventh division of the Superior Court for Yavapai County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Yavapai County has determined, based upon recent population estimates, that the population of Yavapai County, as of the date of this Resolution exceeds 195,000; and

WHEREAS, based on information provided by the Presiding Judge and otherwise, the Board of Supervisors has determined that a seventh division of the Superior Court would enhance the Court's ability to accommodate increasing criminal and civil caseloads and would allow improved access to the courts for persons in need of justice system services; and

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to Article 6, §§ 10 and 12 of the Arizona Constitution and §12-121 of the Arizona Revised Statutes, the Yavapai County Board of Supervisors hereby petitions the Governor of the State of Arizona to approve an additional judge to serve in a seventh division of the Superior Court for Yavapai County and to appoint a person to serve until the election and qualification of a successor as provided by law, said appointment to be effective as of the date of its approval by the Governor of the State of Arizona.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 18th day of June, 2007.

/s/ A.G. "Chip" Davis
A.G. "Chip" Davis
Chairman, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

/s/ Bev Staddon
Bev Staddon, Clerk of the Board

APPROVED:

/s/ Robert Brutinel
Robert Brutinel, Presiding Judge