

**IN THE JUSTICE COURTS OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MARICOPA**

IN THE MATTER OF COMPLAINTS)	ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
WRITTEN BY CITY OF GILBERT)	NO. 2021-001
POLICE OFFICERS AND CIVIL AND)	
EVICITION MATTERS FILED BY THE)	
CITY OF GILBERT IN THE HIGHLAND)	
JUSTICE COURT)	

WHEREAS the proper jurisdiction for traffic and criminal complaints is the justice precinct in which the incident occurred; and

WHEREAS the proper jurisdiction for civil matters is the justice precinct in which the defendant resides or the transaction occurred; and

WHEREAS the Justice of the Peace for the Highland Justice Court, Jordan Ray, has recused himself from all matters filed by the City of Gilbert and the Gilbert Police Department on or before June 30, 2021;

IT IS ORDERED:

1. All traffic and criminal complaints written by City of Gilbert police officers and filed in the Highland Justice Court shall be transferred from the Highland Justice Court to the East Mesa Justice Court upon the filing of the complaint.
2. The East Mesa Justice Court is a proper venue for complaints written by City of Gilbert police officers in accordance with A.R.S. § 22-302.
3. The justice of the East Mesa Justice Court shall have authority to act for and on behalf of the justice of the Highland Justice Court as prescribed in A.R.S. § 22-114.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

1. All civil and eviction matters filed on behalf of the City of Gilbert in the Highland Justice Court shall be transferred from the Highland Justice Court to the East Mesa Justice Court upon the filing of the complaint.
2. In these matters, the East Mesa Justice Court is authorized to issue any summons.
3. The East Mesa Justice Court is a proper venue for civil and eviction matters filed on behalf of the City of Gilbert in accordance with A.R.S. § 22-203.
4. The justice of the East Mesa Justice Court shall have authority to act for and on behalf of the justice of the Highland Justice Court as prescribed in A.R.S. § 22-114.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Administrative Order shall remain in full effect with respect to cases filed on or before June 30, 2021, unless modified, rescinded, or vacated by subsequent order.

Dated February 23 2021



Keith Russell
Presiding Judge, Maricopa County Justice Courts

cc: Justices of the Peace, Maricopa County Justice Courts Bench
Jim Morrow, Maricopa County Justice Courts Administrator