

## TUCSON CITY COURT DUI CASE MANAGEMENT PLAN

Pursuant to Arizona Supreme Court Administrative Order 2006-38, the following case management plan has been adopted by the Tucson City Court and approved by the Presiding Judge of the Pima County Superior Court for the purpose of processing misdemeanor DUI cases in the Tucson City Court from October 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009.

### Background:

In June 2005, a DUI Case Processing Committee was established and charged with examining DUI cases from filing through sentencing, with particular emphasis on the processing of cases once they reach the Court. The committee examined the entire Arizona criminal justice system as it relates to DUI cases and recommended specific improvements to Court processes, rules and statutes. In December of 2007 the Arizona Judicial Council approved the implementation of DUI Case Processing Program statewide.

### Program Goal:

It is the goal of this program to resolve 85 percent of DUI cases within 120 days from the date of filing, resolve 93 percent within 180 days from the date of filing and have less than 7 percent of all active pending no older than 180 days from date of filing.

### Local DUI Case Processing Committee:

The Tucson City Court will establish a Local DUI Case Processing Committee that will include representatives of the Court, prosecutors, defense counsel, law enforcement agencies, and the Court's probation division to assist in the implementation of the plan and facilitate the resolution of issues that may prevent achieving the stated goals. This committee will meet monthly starting in September 2008 and transition to quarterly meetings when appropriate. Tucson City Court will pursue cooperation and coordination with any other similar committee(s) in Pima County when appropriate.

The Committee shall meet as stated above to update the plan as needed and to identify and implement procedures that:

- 1) Accelerate the completion of pre-filing documentation,
- 2) Ensure that fingerprints are taken at the time of the offense or establish a time and place that fingerprints can be taken,
- 3) Address complaints that are rejected by the Court as untimely filed,