

**Executive Order 2007- 22**  
**Establishing the Arizona Department of Juvenile Corrections Advisory Board**

**WHEREAS**, the Arizona Department of Juvenile Corrections (ADJC) is responsible for juveniles adjudicated delinquent and committed to its jurisdiction by the county juvenile courts; and

**WHEREAS**, the people of Arizona expect continued public safety and the safety of our youth; and

**WHEREAS**, the ADJC has reached substantial compliance on the Civil Rights of Institutionalized Persons Act (CRIPA) measures set out by the U.S. Department of Justice; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interests of the State of Arizona to have the advice of a board constituted to provide guidance and oversight on ADJC policy and procedures, including access to information on individual youth when it relates to serious incidents or concerns;

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State, hereby order and direct the following:

1. There is hereby established the ADJC Advisory Board.
2. The membership of the ADJC Advisory Board shall be comprised of no fewer than twelve members and no more than fifteen members, each of whom shall be appointed by and serve without compensation at the pleasure of, the Governor. To the extent practicable, the Governor shall consult with the Chief Justice of the Arizona Supreme Court in making appointments to the Board. To the extent practical, the Board members shall include the following:
  - a. Presiding Juvenile Court Judge from an urban county
  - b. Presiding Juvenile Court Judge from a rural county
  - c. Children and Youth Advocate
  - d. Behavioral Health Professional with experience on youth delinquency and treatment
  - e. Child Welfare Professional
  - f. A Juvenile Court Director or Juvenile Probation Chief
  - g. Community Member at Large
  - h. Representative from the Faith Community
  - i. Arizona Juvenile Justice Board representative
  - j. Victim's Advocate
  - k. Youth, or a Parent of a Youth Adjudicated to the Department within last 10 years
  - l. Education representative
  - m. A representative from a County Attorney's Office, Juvenile Division
  - n. A representative from a Public Defender's Office, Juvenile Division
3. The ADJC Director shall serve as an ex officio member of the Board.
4. The Governor may appoint other members as deemed necessary or appropriate, which may include representation from other State agencies that serve children and youth.
5. Members of the ADJC Advisory Board may, with the Governor's permission, send designees to serve on the Board; provided, however, that such designees shall have been delegated by the member with full authority to vote and otherwise act on behalf of the member.

6. The Governor shall appoint a Chair of the Board.
7. The Board shall be responsible for:
  - a. Assisting the Governor in oversight of the agency, including by monitoring and ensuring transparency in the Department's operations;
  - b. Ensuring coordination with other state agencies, juvenile justice stakeholders and community services; and
  - c. Facilitating increased public awareness and advocacy about the needs of youth in custody.
8. In carrying out these responsibilities, the Board shall:
  - a. Participate with the agency in the development and implementation of the ADJC strategic plan;
  - b. Provide advice to the agency in the development of a legislative agenda and the ADJC budget proposal;
  - c. Develop a report to be distributed annually on or before August 31 of each year, to the Governor, the Chief Justice and the legislature, containing both recommendations for improvement and an assessment of progress made on key areas such as facilities improvements, reentry planning, behavioral health care and suicide prevention, and special education;
  - d. Have an opportunity to tour secure facilities on both a scheduled and as-needed basis that maintains appropriate security procedures;
  - e. Assist in the development of training materials for staff and be involved in the continued progress of Department programs for basic operations;
  - f. Provide input to programming for specialized populations or services, such as youthful sex offenders, substance abuse treatment, dually adjudicated youth, youth reentry and/or community corrections;
  - g. Coordinate with the Arizona Juvenile Justice Commission on broader juvenile justice system reform efforts;
  - h. Receive and comment on reports from the agency Ombudsman and management team; and
  - i. Help to identify community resources and to create solutions to shift the cost of incarceration to increased and improved community-based services.

9. The Board shall be staffed by the Governor’s Policy Advisor on Human Services, with support from the Division for Children, Governor’s Office for Children, Youth and Families and ADJC staff.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the great Seal of the State of Arizona.

*J. N. Reynolds*  
GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of September in the Year Two Thousand and Seven and of the Independence of the United States of America in the Two Hundred Thirty-second.

ATTEST:

*Janice K. Brewer*  
SECRETARY OF STATE