

## INTRODUCTION

The Civil Jury Instructions Committee is pleased to present the 4th Edition of the Revised Arizona Jury Instructions (“RAJI”) (CIVIL) at the State Bar Convention, June 2004. Since 1997, this edition is the first comprehensive revision to the RAJI instructions. Major changes include:

1. Adopting the Judge’s Benchbook as the Preliminary Instructions;
2. Creating a standard instruction as to the presence or absence of insurance;
3. Revamping the Eminent Domain instructions;
4. New Employment Law instructions;
5. A revised Punitive Damages instruction;
6. Revised Commercial Torts instructions;
7. New Intentional Torts instructions
8. Updating cases cited on all instructions, where applicable;
9. Simplifying the language used; and
10. Referring to parties by name whenever practicable. Other areas not covered by existing instructions are also included.

We thank the past and present members of the Committee for their hard work in bringing the 4th edition to fruition. We also thank Nedra Brown and Ilona Kukan from the State Bar staff for their assistance. Finally, special thanks to our editor, V. Michele Gámez, for her help in editing these instructions.

The instructions remain a work in progress, so any suggestions for revisions or for new instructions are always appreciated.

Sincerely,

Aaron Kizer, Chair  
Civil Jury Instructions Committee