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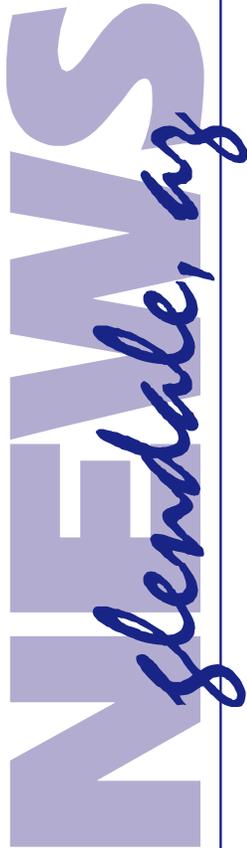
## **JUDGE RULES IN GLENDALE'S FAVOR IN GOLDWATER PUBLIC RECORDS REQUEST CASE**

**GLENDALE, Ariz.** – Earlier today in court the honorable Judge Edward Burke denied the Goldwater Institute's request to hold the city of Glendale in contempt of court, which alleged that the city failed to comply with court-ordered disclosure.

Judge Burke stated that no evidence submitted by the Goldwater Institute supports their claim. He further commented that he cannot rule based on the Institute's "suspicion and speculation." Additionally, the judge chided the Institute's lack of professional courtesy of notifying Glendale prior to bringing their contempt claim before the court.

The documents in question are related to negotiations with the Phoenix Coyotes. Glendale has provided the Goldwater Institute and the court more than 600 documents to date.

"The city will continue to be in full compliance with public records laws," said Chief Deputy City Attorney Nicholas DiPiazza. "Glendale has continually indicated that any changes to the arena lease agreement would be discussed and voted on in a public forum. The Goldwater Institute does not represent the citizens of Glendale. Glendale's council members are the final decision makers, and they were elected to represent the citizens. Everything they do is in the best interests of the residents and community. The council and staff have been working hard to achieve the best outcome for taxpayers on this matter."



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The city of Glendale respects the Arizona open records law and operates with transparency and is committed to continually providing information to all stakeholders in the community.

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