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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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owned directly or indirectly.

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement NUVEEN ARIZONA DIVIDEND ADVANTAGE McCarthy Kevin J (Month/Day/Year) MUNICIPAL FUND 3 [NXE] 02/26/2007 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 333 W. WACKER DRIVE (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) Director 10% Owner _X_ Form filed by One Reporting X_ Officer Other Person CHICAGO, ILÂ 60606 (give title below) (specify below) _ Form filed by More than One Vice President Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities 3. 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial (Instr. 4) Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 5)

4) Form:
Direct (D)
or Indirect
(I)
(Instr. 5)

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Ì	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	

(Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

McCarthy Kevin J

333 W. WACKER DRIVE Â Â Vice President Â

CHICAGO, ILÂ 60606

Signatures

/s/ McCarthy, Kevin J. 03/07/2007

**Signature of Date

Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

No securities are beneficially owned

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