Pima County. Joint Courts Complex Historic Cemetery Excavations.
Under ARS 41-844, Pima County has completed archaeological excavations within the Joint Courts Complex project area in downtown Tucson. The project area contained a historic cemetery with civilian and military sections, which were in use between the 1860s and 1880s. A cultural affinity assessment of the burials in the civilian section has been completed. No named individuals have been unambiguously identified from the civilian section. An assessment of the burials from the military section will be available in early December 2008. It is expected that some named individuals will be identified from the military section. Both the civilian and military assessments are being made available on the Joint Courts Complex Archaeological Project website at www.pima.gov/JointCourts/. Reburial of the civilian section burials is scheduled for April 2009 at All Faiths Cemeteries in Tucson. Reburial of the military section burials is scheduled for May 2009 in the Veterans Cemetery in Sierra Vista, Arizona. Any inquiries should be directed to John Madsen, Arizona State Museum, University of Arizona, Tucson, Arizona 85721.