Pinal County Commission on Trial Court Appointments

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Public Asked for Input on Candidates for Superior Court Vacancies

PHOENIX - The Pinal County Commission on Trial Court Appointments is asking for public comment on 7 candidates for two openings on the Superior Court in Pinal County created by the appointment of Hon. Lacey A. Stover Gard and Hon. Christopher J. O' Neil to Division Two of the Arizona Court of Appeals.

The candidates are:

- Jessica K. Hernandez Dixon
- Danielle Harris
- Karen F. Palmer
- Jamie R. Ramirez

- Matthew S. Reed
- Megan K. Weagant
- Lawrence M. Wharton

Candidate applications can be viewed online at the Commission's website, <u>azcourts.gov/jnc</u>.

The Commission will meet to interview the candidates on Mar. 28. The meeting will begin at 9 a.m. and be held in room 2130 of the Superior Court in Pinal County - 971 N. Jason Lopez Circle, Building A, Florence, AZ 85132. The interview agenda will be posted on the Commission's website at least 7 days prior to the meeting.

Citizens may address the Commission on Mar. 28. Written comments may also be submitted electronically to jnc@courts.az.gov or to 1501 W. Washington St., Suite 221, Phoenix, AZ 85007. It is not necessary to submit multiple copies of written comments - email is preferred. Comments must be received no later than Mar. 23 to be considered. Anonymous comments cannot be considered.

After the interviews, the Commission will recommend at least three nominees for each opening to Gov. Katie Hobbs, who will appoint the new judges.