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## **Public Comment Sought on Superior Court Applicants**

The public is invited to comment on 35 applicants for the vacancy on the Superior Court in Maricopa County created by the retirement of Judge Michael D. Jones.

The applicants are Bradley H. Astrowsky, Chris R. Baniszewski, Michael L. Barth, Justin Beresky, Harold F. Brenneman, Jr., Theodore Campagnolo, Clifton Andrew Campbell, Terri Lynn Clarke, Caron L. Close, Suzanne E. Cohen, David O. Cunanan, John E. Drazkowski, Mark W. Hawkins, Pamela D. Hearn Svoboda, Michael D. Hinze, Steven K. Holding, Yancy A. Jencsok, Ronee F. Korbin Steiner, Todd F. Lang, Steven P. Lynch, Norma B. Martens, Mina E. Mendez, Bert E. Moll, Bernard C. Owens, Carolyn K. Passamonte, Wesley E. Peterson, William E. Ponath, Margaret A. Robertson, Maria Salapska, Louis T. Seletos, Joan M. Sinclair, Gary Michael Smith, Shellie Smith, S. Lee White, and Gerald A. Williams.

The Maricopa County Commission on Trial Court Appointments will review the applications and take public testimony at a meeting on March 1, 2012. The meeting will be held at the State Courts Building, 1501 W. Washington, Room 345, starting at 10:00 a.m. Citizens may address the commission at that time or send written comments to 1501 W. Washington, Suite 221, Phoenix, AZ, 85007 or to [jnc@courts.az.gov](mailto:jnc@courts.az.gov). Written comments must arrive by February 27, 2012 to be considered. Anonymous comments cannot be considered.

The commission will choose the applicants to be interviewed at the March 1, 2012 meeting. The selected applicants will be interviewed on March 28, 2012. After the interviews the commission will recommend at least three nominees for the opening to Governor Jan Brewer, who will appoint the new judge.