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**Applications Being Accepted
For Vacancy on Maricopa County Superior Court**

Applications are being accepted for a vacancy created on the Superior Court in Maricopa County by the retirement of Judge Samuel A. Thumma.

The Maricopa County Commission on Trial Court Appointments will review applications, interview selected applicants and recommend at least three nominees for the vacancy to Governor Jan Brewer, who will appoint the new judge.

Applicants must be at least 30 years old, admitted to practice law in Arizona, a resident of Arizona for the past five years, and a resident of Maricopa County for the past year.

Applications can be obtained from the Administrative Office of the Courts, Human Resources Division, 1501 W. Washington, Suite 221, Phoenix; by calling (602) 452-3311; by sending an electronic mail request to: jnc@courts.az.gov; or at the Judicial Department website: <http://www.azcourts.gov/jnc>.

The original completed application and 6 copies must be returned to the Administrative Office of the Courts, Human Resources Division, 1501 W. Washington, Suite 221, Phoenix, AZ, 85007, by 3:00 p.m. on Friday, May 18, 2012.

Applicants for the recent vacancies in Maricopa County MUST reapply AND submit new recommendation letters to be considered for the new vacancy.

The Commission may, at its discretion, use the applications filed for this vacancy to nominate candidates for any additional vacancies known to the Commission before the screening meeting for this vacancy is held.

All meetings of the Maricopa County Commission on Trial Court Appointments are open to the public. Meeting dates will be announced next month. The new judge will be paid \$145,000 annually.