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COMMISSION INVITES PUBLIC TO COMMENT ON PERFORMANCE OF JUSTICES AND JUDGES ON 2016 GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT

The Arizona Commission on Judicial Performance Review will hold public hearings at the following times and locations to take comments from the public about the judges on the 2016 retention election ballot:

March 4, 2016 - Tucson

4:30 to 5:30 PM
Tucson Police Department
Midtown Substation
1100 South Alvernon

March 11, 2016 – Phoenix

4:30 to 5:30 PM
Arizona State Courts Building
1501 West Washington Street
Conference Room 345

March 18, 2016 - Florence

4:30 to 5:30 PM
Pinal County Justice Center
971 Jason Lopez Circle
Building A

Established in 1992 by a constitutional amendment passed by voters, the 32-member Commission is charged with conducting performance reviews of judges. It sets performance standards for judges, decides whether or not a judge meets those standards, and publishes its findings for voters.

In addition to holding the public hearings, the Commission surveyed litigants, witnesses, jurors, people who represented themselves in court, staff and attorneys who appeared before Superior Court judges from August 24 through December 18, 2015. Surveys on appellate court justices and judges are distributed throughout their term.

The Commission's findings will be released to the public before the 2016 general election in the Secretary of State's Voter Pamphlet. The findings will also be available on the Commission's website at www.azjudges.info. Voters will decide whether judges remain in office on November 8.

Any citizen may appear at a public hearing or send written comments by April 15, 2016, to the Commission on Judicial Performance Review, 1501 West Washington, Suite 221, Phoenix, AZ 85007-3231. Comments can also be sent through the Commission's web page at www.azjudges.info.

Comments are invited on the following judges:

Arizona Supreme Court

Ann. A. Scott Timmer

Court of Appeals, Division I

Michael Brown
Kent Cattani
John Gemmill
Kenton Jones
Jon Thompson
Lawrence Winthrop

Court of Appeals, Division II

Michael Miller

Superior Court in Maricopa County

Jay Adleman
James Beene
Susan Brnovich
Lori Bustamante
Rodrick Coffey
Bruce Cohen
Suzanne Cohen
Connie Contes
Christopher Coury
John Ditsworth
Lisa Flores
Jeanne Garcia
David Gass
Pamela Gates
Jo Lynn Gentry

Douglas Gerlach
Michael Gordon
John Hannah
Cari Harrison
Kristin Hoffman
Michael Kemp
Daniel Kiley
Andrew Klein
Margaret Mahoney
Crane McClennen
M. Scott McCoy
Paul McMurdie
Colleen McNally
Kathleen Mead

Joseph Mikitish
Karen Mullins
Robert Oberbillig
Jose Padilla
David Palmer
Timothy Ryan
Teresa Sanders
Patricia Starr
Roland Steinle
Sherry Stephens
Timothy Thomason
Peter Thompson
David Udall
Christopher Whitten

Superior Court in Pima County

Gus Aragon
Deborah Bernini
Sean Brearcliffe
Kyle Bryson
Michael Butler
Carmine Cornelio
Jane Eikleberry
Richard Fields
Richard Gordon
Brenden Griffin
Kenneth Lee
D. Douglas Metcalf
Leslie Miller
Scott Rash
Sarah Simmons
Paul Tang
Joan Wagener

Superior Court in Pinal County

Karl Eppich
Joseph Georgini
Henry Gooday
Jason Holmberg
Stephen McCarville