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JUDICIAL NOMINEES ANNOUNCED

The Maricopa County Commission on Trial Court Appointments has recommended 11 candidates to Governor Doug Ducey for three openings on the Maricopa County Superior Court.

Nominees for the openings created by the retirement of Judges J. Richard Gama, Crane McClennen and Roland J. Steinle, III are:

- **Michael C. Blair**, 45, Republican, of Gilbert, a Partner at Baird, Williams & Greer, LLP.
- **Kimberly A. Demarchi**, 40, Democrat, of Phoenix, a Partner at Lewis, Roca, Rothgerber, LLP.
- **Ronda R. Fisk**, 43, Independent, of Phoenix, a Member at Osborn Maledon, P.A.
- **Mark E. House**, 43, Republican, of Phoenix, a Partner at Becker & House, PLLC.
- **Michelle D. Johnson**, 42, Democrat, of Phoenix, Sole Practitioner at the Law Offices of Michelle Johnson, PLC.
- **Michael Mandell**, 46, Independent, of Tempe, Commissioner with the Maricopa County Superior Court.
- **Scott S. Minder**, 41, Republican, of Phoenix, Counsel at Perkins Coie.
- **Erin O'Brien Otis**, 40, Democrat, of Chandler, Commissioner with the Maricopa County Superior Court.
- **Annielaurie Van Wie**, 44, Independent, of Phoenix, Commissioner with the Maricopa County Superior Court.
- **Lisa A. VandenBerg**, 43, Democrat, of Tolleson, Commissioner with the Maricopa County Superior Court.

Governor Ducey will make the appointments.