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## **Public Asked for Input on Candidates for Arizona Court of Appeals**

The Commission on Appellate Court Appointments is asking for public comment on ten candidates for an opening on Division One of the Arizona Court of Appeals. The vacancy results from the retirement of Judge Maurice Portley.

The candidates are:

- James P. Beene
- Cassie E. Bray Woo
- Timothy R. Hyland
- Paul J. McMurdie
- James B. Morse, Jr.
- Jennifer M. Perkins
- Pamela B. Petersen
- Timothy J. Thomason
- Randall H. Warner
- David D. Weinzwieg

Their applications for the office can be viewed online at the Commission's website <http://azcourts.gov/jnc>.

The Commission will meet to interview the candidates on October 17, 2016. Written comments can be sent to 1501 W. Washington, Suite 221, Phoenix, AZ 85007 or by e-mail to [jnc@courts.az.gov](mailto:jnc@courts.az.gov). Comments should be received no later than October 13<sup>th</sup> to be considered. Anonymous comments cannot be considered.

After the interviews, the Commission will recommend at least three nominees for the opening to Governor Doug Ducey, who will appoint the new judge.

Division One of the Court of Appeals hears cases arising in Apache, Coconino, La Paz, Maricopa, Mohave, Navajo, Yavapai and Yuma counties.