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Public Asked for Input on Candidates for Arizona Supreme Court

The Commission on Appellate Court Appointments is asking for public comment on nine candidates for two openings on the Arizona Supreme Court.

The candidates are:

- Kent E. Cattani, an Arizona Court of Appeals Judge – Division I
- Pamela S. Frasher Gates, a Maricopa County Superior Court Judge
- Thomas A. Gilson of Beus Gilbert, PLLC
- Andrew W. Gould, an Arizona Court of Appeals Judge – Division I
- John R. Lopez, IV of the Arizona Attorney General's Office
- Robert J. McWhirter of the Law Office of Robert J. McWhirter
- Jennifer M. Perkins of the Arizona Attorney General's Office
- Peter B. Swann, an Arizona Court of Appeals Judge – Division I
- Samuel A. Thumma, an Arizona Court of Appeals Judge – Division I

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 September 30, 2016 at 7:30 a.m. Written comments can be sent to 1501 W. Washington, Suite 221, Phoenix, AZ 85007 or by e-mail to jnc@courts.az.gov. Comments should be received no later than September 28th to be considered. Anonymous comments cannot be considered.

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