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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 an opening on the Arizona Supreme Court created by the retirement of Chief Justice Scott Bales.

The candidates are:

- Sean E. Brearcliffe, an Arizona Court of Appeals Judge – Division II
- Kent E. Cattani, an Arizona Court of Appeals Judge – Division I
- Maria Elena Cruz, an Arizona Court of Appeals Judge – Division I
- David J. Euchner of the Pima County Public Defender's Office
- Richard E. Gordon, a Pima County Superior Court Judge
- Randall M. Howe, an Arizona Court of Appeals Judge – Division I
- Andrew M. Jacobs of Snell & Wilmer, LLP
- William G. Montgomery of the Maricopa County Attorney's Office
- Jennifer M. Perkins, 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 July 26, 2019. The meeting will be held in room 101 of the Arizona State Courts Building, 1501 W. Washington, Phoenix, AZ 85007, starting at 8:00 a.m. The interview agenda will be posted on the Commission's website at least 7 days prior to the meeting.

Citizens may address the commission on the day of the meeting or send written comments to jnc@courts.az.gov or to 1501 W. Washington, Suite 221, Phoenix, AZ 85007. It is not necessary to submit multiple copies of written comments, and email is preferred. Comments must be received no later than July 23rd 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 justice.