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Twelve Applicants Being Considered For Arizona Court of Appeals

The public is asked for comments on 12 applicants for two openings on Division I of the Arizona Court of Appeals.

The applicants are David L. Abney, Paula S. Bickett, Margaret H. Downie, Jeffrey R. Finley, Robert C. Houser Jr., Timothy R. Hyland, Kirby D. Kongable, Tajudeen O. Oladiran, Sigmund G. Popko, Luane Rosen, Judith R. Schaffert, and Peter B. Swann. Their applications can be viewed online at <http://www.supreme.state.az.us/jnc>.

The Commission on Appellate Court Appointments will review the applications and hear comments at a public meeting on August 5. The meeting will be held at the Arizona State Courts Building in Phoenix, 1501 W. Washington, Conference Room 345, starting at 10:00 a.m. Citizens may address the commission at that time or send written comments to 1501 W. Washington, Suite 221, Phoenix, AZ, 85007 or to jnc@courts.az.gov. Comments must be received by August 1 to be considered. Anonymous comments cannot be considered.

At the August 5 meeting the commission will decide which applicants will be interviewed for the openings. The selected applicants will be interviewed on August 25. After the interviews the commission will recommend at least three nominees for each opening to Governor Janet Napolitano, who will appoint the new judges.

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