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**Applications Being Accepted
For Vacancy on Maricopa County Superior Court**

Applications are being accepted for a vacancy on the Maricopa County Superior Court created by the retirement of Judge Robert C. Houser, effective November 20, 2009.

The Maricopa County Commission on Trial Court Appointments will review applications, interview selected applicants and recommend at least three nominees for the vacancy to Governor Jan Brewer, who will appoint the new judge.

Applicants must be at least 30 years old, admitted to practice law in and a resident of Arizona for the past five years, and a resident of Maricopa County for the past year.

Applications can be obtained from the Administrative Office of the Courts, Human Resources Division, 1501 W. Washington, Suite 221, Phoenix; by calling (602) 452-3311; by sending an electronic mail request to: jnc@courts.az.gov; or at the Judicial Department website: <http://supreme.state.az.us/jnc/Apply.htm>.

The original completed application and 6 copies must be returned to the Administrative Office of the Courts, Human Resources Division, 1501 W. Washington, Suite 221, Phoenix, AZ, 85007, by 3:00 p.m. on Friday, December 18, 2009. Applicants for the recent vacancies in Maricopa County must reapply to be considered for the new vacancy. However, recommendation letters received on or after August 1, 2009 are still on file and will be sent to the commission members for the new vacancy.

The Commission may, at its discretion, use the applications filed for this vacancy to nominate candidates for any additional vacancies known to the Commission before the screening meeting for this vacancy is held.

All meetings of the Maricopa County Commission on Trial Court Appointments are open to the public. Meeting dates will be announced next month. The new judge will be paid \$145,000 annually.