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Hon. Sharon Bronson, Chair
Pima County Board of Supervisors
130 W. Congress, 11th Floor
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Dear Madam Chair, Supervisor Christy and Members of the Board:

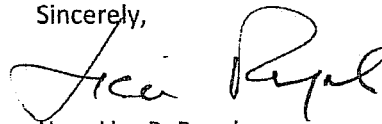
Please accept my letter of resignation as Justice of the Peace for Precinct 7, effective September 4, 2017. I have thoroughly enjoyed serving as a judicial officer in this community since being appointed by the Board in January 2013.

Over the past four years, the case filings in Precinct 7 have declined to FY 2004 levels in spite of an increase in population. As you are aware, the salary of a justice of the peace is determined by judicial productivity credits. A judge must have a minimum of five hundred credits to be considered full-time status. By January 2018, based on current trends, it is likely productivity credits will decline to under 200. It is my desire to maintain full-time employment and to continue to serve Pima County constituents for several more years. To that end, I have been offered and have accepted, the position of Court Administrator for the Pima County Consolidated Justice Court. As you may recall, I served in this capacity from 2005 to 2013. I look forward to returning to the court and working in the beautiful courthouse that you funded, and that I helped design.

In consideration of my replacement, I would highly recommend Ron Newman. Ron is a licensed attorney in Arizona and has served as a pro tem for several years in Tucson and Green Valley. He is well respected by the Pima County bench as well as by staff. Ron would be a great fit for Precinct 7 and could easily hit the ground running. His ethics are beyond reproach, and I am confident that he would execute the duties of this position in a manner that upholds the confidence and integrity of the judiciary. I recognize that my resignation may take effect before the appointment of my replacement, but you have my assurance that the duties and responsibilities of Precinct 7 will be handled by a pro tem in the interim.

Serving as a judicial officer has been an honor and a privilege and I thank you for giving me this opportunity. I look forward to continuing to work with you in my administrative capacity.

Sincerely,



Hon. Lisa R. Royal

Cc: Julie Castañeda, Clerk of the Board

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