



## **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA ITEM REPORT**

Requested Board Meeting Date: October 5, 2021

**Title:** Approval of Pro Tem to Pima County Consolidated Justice Court

### **Introduction/Background:**

Request for appointment of The Hon. Sarah R. (Sally) Simmons (Ret.) as a Pro Tem Justice of the Peace in the Pima County Consolidated Justice Court. Please see attached memo.

### **Discussion:**

To act as a liaison between the Justice Court and Superior Court and assist in the day-to-day management of the Justice Court and act in a judicial capacity on a variety of legal and administrative issues.

### **Conclusion:**

### **Recommendation:**

Approval by the Board of Supervisors of appointment of The Hon. Sarah R. (Sally) Simmons (Ret.) as a Pro Tem Justice of the Peace.

### **Fiscal Impact:**

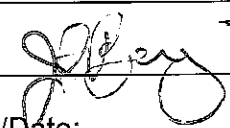
### **Board of Supervisor District:**

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# MEMORANDUM

**TO :** C.H. Huckleberry, County Administrator  
Rex Scot – District 1  
Matt Heinz – District 2  
Sharon Bronson – District 3  
Steve Christy – District 4  
Adelita Grijalva – District 5

**FROM :** Jeffrey T. Bergin, Presiding Judge – Superior Court

**RE :** Request for appointment of the Hon. Sarah R. (Sally) Simmons (Ret.) as a Pro Tem Justice of the Peace in the Pima County Consolidated Justice Court

**DATE :** 09/20/2021

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As you may know, Judge Simmons has recently agreed to act as the liaison between the Justice Court and the Superior Court. She will assist with the day-to-day management of the Justice Court. As part of her duties, she will be called upon to act in a judicial capacity on a variety of legal and administrative issues. One example is that she will consider and rule upon motions that request a Change of Judge for Cause. In order to fulfill her responsibilities, she will need to be appointed as a Pro Tem Justice of the Peace. Accordingly, we request that the Board of Supervisors accept our request that Judge Simmons be appointed as a Pro Tem Justice of the Peace

Judge Simmons retired from the Superior Court in 2018 after a distinguished career with the Superior Court. Judge Simmons served as the Family Bench Presiding Judge, the Juvenile Court Presiding Judge, and the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court. We are fortunate that she has agreed to work with us and we know she will do an excellent job.

Thank you for considering this request and please contact us with any questions you may have.