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## Judge Jeffrey T. Bergin Appointed Presiding Judge for Pima County

PHOENIX – The Arizona Supreme Court has appointed the <u>Honorable Jeffrey T. Bergin</u> to the post of Presiding Judge for the Superior Court in Pima County, effective July 1, 2021. Bergin is the Associate Presiding Judge for the court, and since his appointment in 2011, has served as presiding judge of the family court and civil court and served as a criminal bench trial judge.

Prior to his appointment to the bench in 2011, Judge Bergin's private practice included handling complex civil litigation matters, including bad faith insurance lawsuits, wrongful death, product liability, and construction defects matters.

In accepting the appointment, Judge Bergin said, "I want to thank Chief Justice Brutinel and the other Justices of the Arizona Supreme Court for selecting me as the next Presiding Judge for Pima County. I am humbled and honored by my appointment. I look forward to this new opportunity and the challenges that lie ahead."

Presiding Judges in Arizona serve as the chief executive officer of the county courts, having administrative authority over the courts, judicial officers, and court employees in their county. The Presiding Judge oversees case assignments, court calendars, financial management, and helps set the court's strategic agenda. They also monitor the performance of the courts to ensure that cases are processed timely. Judge Bergin will receive no additional compensation for his duties and responsibilities as Presiding Judge.

Judge Bergin graduated from the University of Arizona with B.S in Business Administration and earned a J.D from the University of Arizona College of Law, graduating with honors.

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