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SUPERIOR COURT COMMISSIONER VACANCY FILLED

Pima County Superior Court Presiding Judge Kyle A. Bryson and the Juvenile Court Presiding Judge Kathleen Quigley announce the appointment of Ms. Cathleen L. Linn, Esq., as a Superior Court Commissioner. Her appointment fills a vacancy created on the Pima County Superior Court bench by Governor Doug Ducey's appointment of then-court commissioner Hon. Peter Hochuli to the position of Superior Court Judge last winter. Ms. Linn will assume her duties on the bench in mid-August.

"Commissioner Linn brings a wealth of experience and knowledge to the Court and will be a great addition to the bench," Judge Bryson said. Ms. Linn has committed her career to public service, most recently as an Assistant Attorney General (AAG) with Protective Services Division (PSD). Her work at the attorney general's office included dependency, mental health, guardianship, and termination of parental rights litigation. She was also involved in policies, procedures and risk management. Previously, she has handled administrative hearings for Child Protective Services and for state foster care and day care licensing, and represented Adult Protective Services. Ms. Linn also briefly litigated as a sole practitioner and an associate attorney for a local law firm before her career with the attorney general.

Ms. Linn has been actively involved with the State Bar of Arizona since 1998 including service as a member of several committees such as Juvenile Law Section, Arizona Women's Law Association (AWLA), Family Law Section, Solo Practitioner Section, Alternative Dispute Resolution Section and many others. Ms. Linn has been a continuous member of the Pima County Bar Association.

Ms. Linn has served in committees and work groups designed to improve systems for Pima County Juvenile Court. Some most recent of these are Dependency Alternative Program Committee, One Court Advisory Workgroup and Mediator Supervisor Hiring Committee.

In addition, Ms. Linn has been involved with much volunteer work in the community sharing her passion for law, reading and literacy with children from elementary to high school.

Ms. Linn received her undergraduate degree cum laude in psychology from the University of Massachusetts, and continued her education at the University of Arizona where she obtained her law degree.

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