



PHOENIX MUNICIPAL COURT
APPLICATION FOR JUDICIAL OFFICE

Applications may be completed and printed with this on-line form. Some questions allow limited response space. If additional space is needed, attachments may be added. Applications must be typed. PLEASE NOTE: The Rules of Procedure for the Judicial Selection Advisory Board for the City of Phoenix Municipal Court provide for public access to this application as follows:

Judicial Selection Advisory Board Rules of Procedure, Rule 8(D) provides:

Except as provided in subsection (2) below, information provided to the board by the applicant or by a third-party shall be presumed to be available to the public.

(1) The following shall be available to the public:

(a) The applicant's name, occupation, employer, relevant work history, any other information provided in response to section I of the application form, and any supplemental materials submitted by the applicant relating to Section I of the application form;

(b) Any information that is specifically authorized for release by the source of that information.

(2) The following information shall remain confidential throughout the application and appointment process until destroyed pursuant to the applicable Municipal Court document retention schedule.

(a) The applicant's home address, information regarding applicant's family, and all other information that is provided to the board in response to questions contained in Section II of the application form;

(b) Information provided in writing or orally to the board by third-parties regarding an applicant, and the third party's identity, unless the third-party specifically states in writing that the information may be made public;

(c) Notes of the individual board members that are generated for personal use only and not published to other members of the board;

(d) Any information that is provided to a member of the board after a promise of confidentiality is properly extended to the source by that board member pursuant to rule 9(B) or 10(B) of these rules;

(e) Any information obtained by or submitted to the board that is made confidential by other provisions of law.

SECTION I - Public Information		
Last Name	First Name	MI
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How many years have you resided in Arizona immediately preceding this application? 6		
Have you had at least five years practice of law? YES If no, describe what equivalent legal experience you have.		
15+ YEARS OF VARIED LEGAL EXPERIENCE.		
Arizona State Bar Number	Date of Admission	
[REDACTED]	JUNE 2020 / DECEMBER 2010 (CALIFORNIA)	
Schools Attended (preparatory, college and law)	Dates: mm/dd/yy	Degree
POINT LOMA NAZARENE UNIVERSITY	From: 8/2002 Through: 5/2006	B.A.
UNIV. OF LA VERNE COLLEGE OF LAW	From: 8/2006 Through: 5/2009	J.D.
	From: Through:	
	From: Through:	
	From: Through:	

1) Indicate major and minor fields of study.

B.A. - CRIMINAL JUSTICE
B.A. - PSYCHOLOGY
J.D. - LAW

2) Indicate college and law school extracurricular activities.

- INTRAMURAL SOCCER
- MEN'S SOCCER TEAM ANNOUNCER
- STARTING PITCHER - PLNU SEA LIONS SOFTBALL
- SPEECH AND DEBATE TEAM CO-CAPTAIN
- MOOT COURT "BEST ORALIST" AWARD
- ABA LAW STUDENT DIVISION - GOVERNOR OF MENTAL HEALTH INITIATIVES

3) Indicate all bar admissions, numbers, and dates.

CALIFORNIA SBN: [REDACTED] DECEMBER 2010
ARIZONA SBN: [REDACTED] JUNE 2020

4) If you have been certified as a specialist by the Arizona State Bar, identify specialty.

N/A

5) Explain if you have been denied admission to any State Bar.

N/A

6) Current Job Title	Employer	Date(s) of Employment
COMMISSIONER	SAN BERNARDINO SUPERIOR CT.	From: 10/2023 Through: PRESENT

7) Describe chronologically, providing dates, your law practice and relevant experience following your graduation from law school, specifically indicating the following:

A. If you have served as a judge, indicate the court(s) and dates of service.

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT - NEEDLES DISTRICT
COMMISSIONER 10/2023 - PRESENT
CAL OF ASSIGNMENTS: TRAFFIC, FAMILY, DVRO, CRIMINAL, PROBATE,
SMALL CLAIMS, UNLAWFUL DETAINERS
SEE ATTACHED

B. If you have served as a clerk to a judge, indicate the name of the judge, the court, and the dates.

N/A

C. If you practiced alone, indicate the addresses and dates.

DECEMBER 2010 - APRIL 2014
SOLO PRACTITIONER - CALIFORNIA

D. Provide the names, addresses and dates of law firms or law offices, companies, governmental agencies, or other organizations for which you have been employed, and describe the nature

of that employment.

- 1) RIVERSIDE COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEYS OFFICE 6/2020 - 8/2021 ; 5/2022 - 10/2023
225 N. BROADWAY BLYTHE, CA
DDA III - LINE PROSECUTOR FELONY PROSECUTIONS UNIT - TRIAL TEAM
JURY TRIALS, PRELIMS, PRETRIAL MOTIONS FOR A GENERAL FELONY ASSIGNMENT
- 2) INYO COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER 4/2014 - 6/2020 ; 8/2021 - 5/2022
CHIEF PUBLIC DEFENDER
308 W. LINE ST. BISHOP, CA
SUPERVISED ATTORNEYS AND STAFF ; HIRED AND TRAINED NEW ATTORNEYS ;
HANDLED SERIOUS AND VIOLENT FELONIES ; SET JURY TRIALS
- 3) PRIVATE PRACTICE 12/2010 - 4/2014
CALIFORNIA
WORKERS COMPENSATION, EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION, CRIMINAL

E. Describe the types of major clients you have served and mention areas of law in which you have specialized or focused. Give details of any service you have provided in a fiduciary capacity.

ARAMARK - WORKERS COMP CASE
GEEZER BUTLER - BLACK SABBATH BASSIST CRIMINAL CASE
THE BULK OF MY LITIGATION EXPERIENCE HAS BEEN IN CRIMINAL LAW.

8) Indicate your frequency of appearances in court as a lawyer: 5 DAYS / WEEK AS A TRIAL ATT.

Describe the nature of your appearances, giving dates, court names, and the nature of the

proceedings.

2014-2023 - I APPEARED AND HANDLED A FELONY CALENDAR ON A DAILY BASIS EITHER AS A PUBLIC DEFENDER OR AS A DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY. IF I WAS NOT RUNNING MY CALENDAR, I WAS IN JURY TRIAL. MOST COMMONLY I APPEARED IN : INYO COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT - DEPARTMENTS 1 AND 3; RIVERSIDE COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT DEPARTMENTS 265, 3T, 3N, 3M

AS A COMMISSIONER, I HAVE A CALENDAR 5 DAYS A WEEK.

A. Indicate the percentage of these appearances between the listed court types.

Federal Courts	State Courts 95%	Justice Courts
City Courts	Administrative Boards or Commissions 5%	

B. Indicate the percentage of your litigation practice.

Civil 5%	Criminal 85%	Traffic 5%	Administrative 5%
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C. State the number of cases you tried to verdict or judgment (rather than settled), for each of the following:

Sole Counsel 50+	Chief Counsel	Associate Counsel
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D. What percentage of these trials was:

Jury 99%	Non-Jury 1%
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E. Describe not more than five significant litigated matters in which you participated and give the citations, if reported. Give a capsule summary of the substance of each matter and a succinct statement of the particular significance. Please identify the party or parties whom you represented; describe the nature of your participation in the matter; and the final disposition. Please state, as to each matter: 1) the date of the matter; 2) the name of the

court and the judge before whom the matter was presented; and 3) the names and addresses of counsel for the other parties.

1) PEOPLE V. WESTERVELT
MAY 2014 - INYO COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT - VISITING JUDGE DAVID DEVORE
OPPOSING COUNSEL : DEE SHEPHERD (DECEASED)
I REPRESENTED MR. WESTERVELT ON FELONY ATTEMPT MURDER CHARGES.
THIS WAS MY FIRST FELONY JURY TRIAL IN FRONT OF A VERY
DIFFICULT AND CONDESCENDING JUDGE. THIS CASE WAS SIGNIFICANT IN TERMS
OF HOW MUCH I LEARNED ABOUT JURY TRIALS AND HOW TO DEAL WITH DIFFICULT
JUDGES. JURY FOUND MY CLIENT "NOT GUILTY" ON ATT. MURDER CHARGE.

2) PEOPLE V. JONES
JULY 2022 - RIVERSIDE COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT
OPPOSING COUNSEL - STEVE SADOCHA - RIVERSIDE CO. PUBLIC DEFENDERS OFFICE
82-995 HIGHWAY 111, STE. 200 INDIO, CA 92201
MY FIRST TRIAL AS A PROSECUTOR BROUGHT NEW CHALLENGES IN
SECURING VICTIMS, DEALING WITH RECANTS, AND COMBATTING JURY
NULLIFICATION. GUILTY VERDICTS ON ALL COUNTS.

3) PEOPLE V. MEDRANO
JULY 2023 - RIVERSIDE COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT - BLYTHE, CA JUDGE RUSSELL MOORE
OPPOSING COUNSEL - JESSICA DESALVA 45902 OASIS ST., STE D INDIO, CA 92201
I PROSECUTED THIS HORRENDOUS ATTEMPT MURDER / FELONY DOMESTIC VIOLENCE /
GREAT BODILY INJURY CASE. I HAD A NON-COOPERATIVE VICTIM AND WAS
SEEKING LIFE IN PRISON. JUDGE GAVE AN INDICATED OF ONLY 7 YEARS.
SUCCESSFULLY CHANGED HIS MIND TO 15 YEARS.

4) PEOPLE V. ALLEN MOOSE
JUNE 2015 - INYO COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE BRIAN LAMB
OPPOSING COUNSEL - MIKE TURNER 425 MARKET ST., FL 26 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105
I REPRESENTED MR. MOOSE ON A CUT AND DRY FELONY VANDALISM AND ABOUT
5 MISDEMEANOR PROBATION VIOLATIONS. MY CLIENT DIDN'T WANT A FELONY
AND THE D.P.A. WANTED TIME. JURY FOUND A GUILTY OF 110 MISDEMEANOR
AND A ENDED UP DOING MORE TIME ON THE VOPs THAN HE WOULD HAVE DONE ON A FELONY
"THERE'S MORE THAN ONE WAY TO SKIN A CAT"

5) PEOPLE V. TALAMANTES
2018(?) INYO COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE DEAN STOUT
OPPOSING COUNSEL - DAVE CHRISTENSEN 1300 N. MAIN ST BISHOP, CA 93514
I REPRESENTED MR. TALAMANTES ON A FELONY DUI WITH INJURY.
HE WAS DRIVING AN SUV WHILE HIS BUDDY WAS "CAR SURFING" ON TOP, FELL AND
HE WAS ACQUITTED AT TRIAL AND OVERDOSED 3 WEEKS LATER. WAS PARALYZED

LESSON : MENTAL FORTITUDE AND 10/16
STAYING POSITIVE AS A PUBLIC DEFENDER.

9) Describe any significant arbitration, mediation, or litigation experience not discussed above.

I HAVE APPEARED BEFORE THE CALIFORNIA WORKERS COMP BOARD IN VARIOUS LOCATIONS AS WELL AS THE ARIZONA INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION - PHOENIX. I HAVE LITIGATED SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY CLAIMS AS WELL.

10) If you are or have been a judge, describe not more than five significant cases you have tried, or opinions you have written. For opinions, give the citations if the opinions were reported as well as citations to any appellate review of such opinions. Finally, please attach copies of the opinions, to include any appellate review of those opinions.

I HAVE HAD SEVERAL TRAFFIC CASES APPEALED AND HAVE BEEN AFFIRMED ON ALL. I INCLUDED ONE AS AN ATTACHMENT.

I ROUTINELY DEAL WITH PRO PER LITIGANTS, SO I DON'T WRITE MANY STATEMENTS OF DECISION, BUT I HAVE INCLUDED TWO FAMILY LAW AND ONE SMALL CLAIMS FOR YOUR REVIEW.

1) RUBALCAVA V. MILLER - MY FIRST FAMILY LAW TRIAL REGARDING CHILD CUSTODY / VISITATION

2) SPENCER V. JIMINEZ - FAMILY LAW TRIAL REGARDING CUSTODY / VISITATION AND THE SIGNIFICANCE OF MOTHER'S NEW PARTNER. I ALSO EXAMINED THE 11 YEAR OLD CHILD, WHICH WAS A FIRST FOR ME.

3) HAVASU WATER CO. V. ASUNA - SMALL CLAIMS CASE WITH ADMINISTRATIVE LAW (PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION) CROSSOVER ISSUES. IN GENERAL, JUST A VERY INTERESTING CASE FOR ME TO DECIDE.

11) Please describe your experience in the following areas:

A. Managerial Skills

I HAVE TEN YEARS OF RESTAURANT MANAGEMENT EXPERIENCE LEADING FRONT OF HOUSE STAFF IN DAILY RESTAURANT OPERATIONS I WAS THE CHIEF PUBLIC DEFENDER FOR INYO COUNTY AND LED A TEAM OF FOUR ATTORNEYS.

D. Personnel

AS A CHIEF PUBLIC DEFENDER, I RECRUITED, HIRED, TRAINED, SUPPORTED,
AND TERMINATED MY ATTORNEYS AND STAFF.

12) Have you ever been engaged in any occupation, business, or profession other than the practice of law or holding judicial office? **YES** If yes, please provide details, including dates.

RESTAURANT MANAGEMENT APRIL 2000- DECEMBER 2010

CASINO GAMING 2012-2013

SECURITY AT A UNIVERSITY 2003-2006

13) Are you now, or have you ever been an officer or director or otherwise engaged in the management of any business enterprise? If yes, give details, including the name of the enterprise, the nature of the business, the title or other description of your position, the nature of your duties, and the terms of your service.

JUST ICE INVESTMENTS, LLC DBA SCOOPS HOMEMADE ICE CREAM
MAY 2023 - AUGUST 2025

CEO OF A SMALL ICE CREAM SHOP CO-OWNED WITH MOTHER
IN LAKE HAVASU CITY, AZ

LLC DISSOLVED AUGUST 2025 DUE TO SALE OF THE BUSINESS

14) Is it your intention to resign such position and withdraw from any participation in the management of any of such enterprises if you are appointed? If no, please explain.

YES, PARTNERSHIP HAS ALREADY BEEN DISSOLVED.

15) Have you ever been sued by a client or a party? *NO* If yes, give details, including dates.

16) Have you published any legal or other books or articles? If yes, please list them, giving the citations and dates. *NO*

17) Are you in compliance with the continuing legal education requirements applicable to you?
If yes, list the courses and dates of attendance for the last two (2) years.

YES. I HAVE ATTACHED CERTIFICATES TO THIS APPLICATION.

18) Have you taught any courses on law or lectured at bar associations, conferences, law school forums, or continuing legal education seminars? If yes, please describe by providing the name of the course, the subject matter, the date and the place.

2007 - RIVERSIDE COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION
"ETHICS IN MEDIATION" CO-PRESENTED WITH MY PROFESSOR, SUSAN EXON
VOLUNTEER MOCK TRIAL JUDGE - RIVERSIDE COUNTY 2020-2023
PRESENTED AT "LAW DAY" NEEDLES HIGH SCHOOL MAY 2025 - PROVIDED
AN OVERVIEW OF THE JUSTICE SYSTEM AS WELL AS PATHWAYS TO THE
BENCH TO HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

19) List any honors, prizes, awards, or other forms of recognition which you have received.

NONE THAT I CAN RECALL OR ARE SIGNIFICANT ENOUGH TO MENTION.

20) List any public offices held and dates.

N/A

21) List memberships and activities in professional organizations, including offices held and dates.

NOT ACTIVE IN ANY PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS. BUT I AM ON BOTH THE TRAFFIC AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEES FOR SAN BERNARDINO SUPERIOR COURT. I DRAFTED COURT POLICIES PERTAINING TO THE USE OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE ON THE BENCH.

Optional: List memberships and activities in civic organizations, including offices held.

LAKE HAVASU CITY SCROPTOMIST CLUB - VOLUNTEER
LAKE HAVASU HIGH SCHOOL FLAG FOOTBALL COACH - VOLUNTEER

22) List vocational interests and hobbies.

SNOWBOARDING, SURFING, BOATING, AUTO MECHANICS, COOKING, TRAVEL, READING, HOME IMPROVEMENT, HIKING, LIVE MUSIC, SPORTS.

23) Has any complaint of professional misconduct ever been filed, in any jurisdiction, where any form of disciplinary action has been taken against you? **YES** If yes, when and where? How was it resolved?

UNFOUNDED - SEE ATTACHED LETTER FROM APJ.

24) Have you ever been convicted of any misdemeanor or felony, or violation of the Uniform Code of Military Justice in the United States, or any foreign country? **NO** If yes, when and where? How was it resolved?

N/A

25) Phoenix City Code ("P.C.C."), Section 2-96(C)(3) provides that merit shall be the primary consideration for the Judicial Selection Advisory Board in making recommendations to the City

Council for appointment to judicial office. Under P.C.C. § 2-96(C)(3) and consistent with the Arizona Constitution (see AZ Const. Art. 6 § 37(C)), the Judicial Selection Advisory Board has the duty to consider the diversity of the City's population. Please provide any information about yourself (e.g., your heritage, background, life experiences, etc.) that you believe is relevant to this consideration.

I AM A YOUNG (41 YEARS OLD) WOMAN WHO WAS THE FIRST IN MY FAMILY TO GRADUATE COLLEGE, LET ALONE OBTAIN A DOCTORATE DEGREE. I AM BISEXUAL AND AM INVOLVED IN LGBTQ+ ADVOCACY. I GREW UP IN POVERTY AND BEGAN WORKING AT AGE 12 TO HELP MY MOM SUPPORT OUR FAMILY. I TRULY SHOULD NOT BE WHERE I AM TODAY, BUT I AM VERY GRATEFUL AND IT IS A TESTAMENT TO MY WORK ETHIC AND DRIVE.

26) Include any further information relative to your candidacy or qualifications that you wish to transmit to the Judicial Selection Advisory Board at this time.

FOR THE PAST TWO AND A HALF YEARS, I HAVE TAUGHT MYSELF HOW TO BE A GOOD JUDICIAL OFFICER. I HAVE NO JUDICIAL COLLEAGUES WITHIN 100 MILES AND AM COMPLETELY SELF TAUGHT NOT ONLY ON SUBSTANTIVE AREAS OF LAW I WAS NOT FAMILIAR WITH, BUT JUDICIAL TEMPERAMENT AND DEMEANOR AS WELL. I WORK MOSTLY WITH PRO SE LITIGANTS, WHICH CAN BE A CHALLENGE, BUT IT IS A CHALLENGE I HAVE CONQUERED HEAD ON. I HAVE LEARNED TO BALANCE EFFICIENCY WITH MY CORE IDEAL AS A JUDGE - AFFORDING LITIGANTS AMPLE TIME TO BE HEARD AND HAVE THEIR DAY IN COURT. THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION