

**Letters of interest and resumes are being accepted to fill the vacancy created
by the resignation of Casa Grande Justice Court – Precinct 2
Justice of the Peace John L. Ellsworth.**

Pinal County Board of Supervisors will be appointing a Justice of the Peace to fill the portion of Justice of the Peace John L. Ellsworth's term until the 2026 General Election.

Florence – John L. Ellsworth, who has served as Justice of the Peace over Precinct 2, Casa Grande Justice Court, since 2014, has announced his resignation effective February 28, 2025.

The law that covers vacancies in county offices makes a distinction between whether the vacancy occurs within the first two years of an official's term or the last two years of the four-year term. Arizona Revised Statute 16-230(A)(2) states:

If a county office becomes vacant, the Board of Supervisors shall appoint a person of the same political party as the person vacating the office to fill the portion of the term until the next regular general election. If the person vacating the office changed political party affiliations after taking office, the person who is appointed to fill the vacancy shall be of the same political party that the vacating officeholder was when the vacating officeholder was elected or appointed to that office.

Justice of the Peace Ellsworth was elected as a Republican at the 2022 General Election, so the Pinal County Board of Supervisors is only accepting applications from registered Republicans for the Justice of the Peace, Casa Grande Justice Court – Precinct 2 position.

To be eligible for appointment to this vacant office as Justice of the Peace, Casa Grande Justice Court – Precinct 2, law specifies that each potential candidate meets the following criteria:

- Must be a legal Arizona resident living within Precinct 2, Casa Grande Justice Court
- Must be registered to vote
- Must be able to read and write the English language
- Must be at least 18 years of age
- Must be a registered Republican

Interested individuals should take note of the application criteria, and deadlines below:

- Letters of interest, résumés, and other documents outlining the applicant's qualifications for office, along with the required authorization for release of information for a background check shall be submitted by **5:00 PM on Thursday, February 27, 2025** [Click Here For Application](#)
- Candidates should indicate their address, party affiliation and contact information in their resume/letter of interest.

[Title 22 of the Arizona Revised Statutes](#) provides more detail on the duties of a Justice of the Peace.

For any questions, please contact Natasha Kennedy, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors at ClerkoftheBoard@pinal.gov or (520) 866-6068.