

# Pinal County Board of Supervisors



**Lionel D. Ruiz**  
**District 1**  
**Chairman**

**Lionel D. Ruiz** is the first Hispanic to be elected to the Board of Supervisors in Pinal County. He is a lifelong resident of Pinal County, residing in Dudleyville for the past thirty-nine years. Supervisor Ruiz is a Democrat and has served as Precinct Committeeman for Precinct #4. He has served on the Advisory Committee for the Central Arizona College and the Board of Directors for the Hayden Federal Credit Union. Committee involvement includes the Governors Boxing Commission, Arizona Parkways, Historic & Scenic Roads Advisory Committee, Pinal County Board of Health, Pinal County Juvenile Justice Committee, Pinal County Transportation Committee, Pinal County Jail Advisory Committee, National Association of Latino Elected Officials, Rail Transportation Committee, 25 year member of the Board of Trustees Ray Unified School District, Central Arizona Association of Governments, Northwest Water Alliance Committee, and Copper Corridor Economic Development Coalition. Mr. Ruiz is a graduate of Ray High School and of Central Arizona College. He is also a four-year veteran of the United States Air Force. Supervisor Ruiz is retired as an accountant from ASARCO Mining Company where he worked for 38 years. He and his wife Aida are the parents of four children and have been married 43 years.



**Sandie Smith**  
**District 2**

**Sandie Smith** was the first woman in Pinal County to be elected to the Board of Supervisors. She is a 36 year resident and owned a local business from 1970 to 1999. She was elected in 1986 to the Governing Board of the Apache Junction Unified School District and served as President from 1988 to 1993. She serves as a Past President of the Arizona Association of Counties. Committee involvement includes the Central Arizona College Foundation Board of Directors, Past President of the Apache Junction Chamber of Commerce Board, Chairman of the Promotions Committee of the Main Street Program, Chairman of the Pinal County Enterprise Zone Commission, Pinal/Gila County Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Committee for Economic Development, San Tan Regional Park Committee, Pinal County Town Hall Committee, Pinal Gila Behavioral Health Association, The Arizona Corporation Commission's Line Siting Committee, the Governor's appointee for the Military Affairs Commission and the State Waste Tire Committee. She also was appointed to serve on the Committee for Planning and the Land and Water Conservation Committee, both for the Growing Smarter Commission. She is an Organizing and current member of the Apache Junction Boys and Girls Club and involved in Project Help and Soroptimists of Apache Junction. She and her husband, Thomas H. Smith have been married for 45 years and have three children: Sheryl, David, and Kenneth and six grandchildren, Ashley, Kirsten, Davis, Abbott, Cassandra and Nicole.



**David Snider**  
**District 3**

**David Snider** was elected to the Pinal County Board of Supervisors in November 2004. The Highland Park, Michigan native moved to Arizona in 1973 to take a job with the Mesa Public Library. Mr. Snider accepted the Library Director position with the City of Casa Grande in July of 1977. In addition to his Library Director position with Casa Grande, Mr. Snider also served as Interim and Acting City Manager on occasion. He retired from the city in September 2003. Since arriving in Casa Grande, he has been an active member of the community serving on numerous committees and boards in the Casa Grande and Pinal County area. He is currently serving as the Vice Chair of the Groundwater Users Advisory Council and he is the Chair for the Pinal County Governmental Alliance, Inc. Mr. Snider is also serving as Chair for the Pinal County Water Augmentation Authority, is a Board Member of the Greater Casa Grande Valley Economic Development Foundation, and is the Secretary of the Board for Against Abuse, Inc. He is currently a member of the CANAMEX Corridor Task Force (appointed by Governor Napolitano); Environment, Energy & Land Use Steering Committee (EELU) for the National Association of Counties (NACo); Legislative Policy Committee for the County Supervisors Association; Statewide Water Advisory Group for the Arizona Department of Water Resources (ADWR); and the Local Drought Impact Group (drought preparedness) for Pinal County. Other organizations to which he belongs are: Arizona Library Association, Friends of the Casa Grande Library, the Casa Grande Valley Historical Society, the Greater Casa Grande Chamber of Commerce, Maricopa Chamber of Commerce since 1990 and the La Familia Initiative. Mr. Snider received a Bachelor of Arts degree from the American University of Beirut (Lebanon) and he earned his Master of Science in Library Science degree from Wayne State University.

# Pinal County Elected Officials



**Laura Dean-Lytle**  
County Recorder

**Laura Dean-Lytle**, a Pinal Co. resident since 1975, was first elected to the office of Pinal County Recorder in 2000. Laura's years of service with Pinal County Government began in 1983 with the Assessor's office prior to joining the Recorder's office in 1997 as Chief Deputy Recorder.

Professional affiliations include the office of President of the Arizona Association of Counties for 2006. Laura is also an active member of Soroptimist Int. of Apache Jct., Auxiliary Board of Directors of the Boys and Girls Club of the East Valley-Apache Jct. Branch, Florence Rotary, Pinal County Democratic Party and formerly on the Board of Directors of Northern Pinal County's Community Alliance Against Family Abuse (CAFA).

A Pinal County resident since 1975, Laura and husband, Jerry Lytle reside in Apache Junction. Daughters Michelle and Sherry with their respective families also make the Apache Junction-Gold Canyon area their home.



**Dolores J. "Dodie" Doolittle**  
County Treasurer

**Dolores J. "Dodie" Doolittle** is a life time resident of Pinal County, she grew up in Maricopa and graduated from Maricopa High School in 1975 and she currently resides in Gold Canyon. Dodie came to work for the Pinal County Treasurer from First Interstate Bank in June, 1991 when hired to be Executive Secretary to Jim L. Turnbull. Her position was promoted in January of 1995 to Administrative Assistant and in July, 2001 to Administrator II before the appointment of Chief Deputy in March, 2003. Dodie obtained her Bachelor Degree in Business Administration with an emphasis in Accounting from Arizona State University and is responsible for the day to day management of the Treasurer's office. Dodie currently serves on the East Valley Boys and Girls Club of Apache Junction Board as President, is a member of the Florence Rotary Club, Arizona Association of Counties, Arizona Association of County Treasurers, the Government Finance Officers Association, National Association of Counties, the National Association of County Treasurers and Finance Officers, and the International Association of Clerks, Recorders, Election Officials and Treasurers. Dodie and husband Terry have five children Jerry, Solidaire, Monica, Richard and Travis



**Jack W. Harmon, Ed.D.**  
County School Superintendent

**Jack W. Harmon, Ed.D.** has been a resident of Pinal County for 40 years. Superintendent Harmon has served as an educator since 1960. Dr. Harmon has earned the following degrees: Bachelor of Science in Education, Master of Education, Educational Specialist, and Doctorate in Education. Dr. Harmon is a charter inductee in the Arizona Small Rural School Association Hall of Fame and was named Outstanding Educator by the University of Arizona, College of Education Alumni Council in 1994. He has been a member of a number of professional organizations including: Arizona School Administrators, American Association of School Administrators, National Rural Education Association, Arizona Small Rural School Association, Phi Delta Kappa, and others. Dr. Harmon served as Superintendent of the Oracle Elementary School District for 17 years. He was Principal of Eloy Junior High School for six years. Dr. Harmon and his wife Elizabeth have been married 47 years. They have four adult children: Eric, Kevin, Wendy, and Sherry.

# Pinal County Elected Officials



**L. Paul Larkin**  
County Assessor

**L. Paul Larkin** has been a Pinal County resident since 1964 and worked in the private sector and the community college before joining Pinal County as the Chief Deputy Assessor in 1983. Mr. Larkin has served as the elected Assessor of Pinal County since January 1, 1985. Mr. Larkin is an appraiser with certification from the Arizona Department of Revenue and the International Association of Assessing Officers. He is a past president of the Arizona Association of Counties and the Arizona Association of Assessing Officers. He and his wife, Cheryl Larkin have two children, Elizabeth Hovanec and McKenzie (Mac), and they have four grand children



**Robert Carter Olson**  
County Attorney

**Robert Carter Olson** was born, raised and educated in Illinois, earning a Bachelor of Science Degree from Elmhurst College, a Juris Doctorate Degree from Loyola University of Chicago, and holding a certificate as a Certified Public Accountant from the University of Illinois. In 1990, Olson joined the Pinal County Attorney's Office as a criminal prosecutor and was promoted from within until he was appointed as County Attorney by the Board of Supervisors in March, 1996, and elected by the people later that year. Carter has restructured the management of the criminal division, so the office will have a greater impact on the crimes that affect our communities most; he has placed great emphasis on victims' rights; Carter is actively working with courts, juvenile probation and law enforcement to make real changes in the way Pinal County responds to juvenile crime; and he developed a network of people to help make his office more responsive to the people of Pinal County. The area of greatest growth in the Pinal County Attorney's office is the Child Support Division. Carter is widely credited with reorganizing, restructuring and expanding this program and turning it into one of the finest in the state. During FY 04-05, Carter opened the first County Attorney operated Family Advocacy Center in the state which provides a "one stop shop" for victims of abuse and neglect. Carter and his family reside in Gold Canyon.



**Chris L. Vasquez**  
County Sheriff

**Chris Vasquez**, is the fourth of six generation Pinal County residents. He and his wife Patricia Vasquez reside in Casa Grande. He has four children and four grandchildren. Chris was born in Casa Grande and raised in Eloy. After graduating from Santa Cruz Valley Union High School Sheriff Vasquez joined in the United States Navy serving two tours of duty in Vietnam on board aircraft carrier USS Midway. The Sheriff has a diverse law enforcement career working in each of the major divisions of the Casa Grande Police Department and Pinal County Sheriff's Office. During his approximately 30-years in law enforcement he has held the positions of patrolman, motorcycle officer, SWAT member, criminal investigator, sergeant, lieutenant, bureau commander, chief deputy, and now our Sheriff. Sheriff Vasquez retired from the Casa Grande Police Department as a lieutenant in 1996, although he stayed on as a reserve police officer. Prior to joining the Pinal County Sheriff's Office Chris attended the University of Phoenix receiving his Bachelor of Arts in Management and a Master of Arts in Organizational Management. Sheriff Vasquez also has two Associate Degrees in Criminal Justice and Paralegal Studies. He has been with the Sheriff's Office since January 4, 2001, being hired by former Sheriff Roger Vanderpool, Director of DPS, as a bureau commander. In July of 2002, Roger promoted him to the position of Chief Deputy. Sheriff Vasquez firmly believes that the Pinal County Sheriff's Office is a highly professional department devoted to improvement, excellence, maintaining citizen satisfaction, and operating on the principles of quality leadership. In order to fulfill the department's mission he insists that each member secure and maintain public respect, trust and approval. He expects his deputies to conduct themselves accordingly. All members of the department will adhere strictly to the Peace Officer Code of Ethics and the Cannons of Police Ethics.

# Pinal County Superior Court



**Honorable William J. O'Neil**  
Division I

**William J. O'Neil** was born and raised in Pinal County Judge William J. "Bill" O'Neil has served as a Judge of the Superior Court of Arizona in Pinal County since 1991. During that time he has been appointed by various Governors of Arizona and Chief Justices of the Supreme Court of Arizona to virtually every significant statewide committee on the court. He has served as Presiding Judge for the Superior Court from 2001 through 2005 and as Presiding Juvenile Judge (1992-2001). He is the only Pinal County Judge to serve on the Arizona Judicial Council which is the highest level policy making committee of the Supreme Court of Arizona. He currently serves as Chairman of the Committee on the Impact of Domestic Violence and the Courts (CIDVC). Concerned with his community, state and country, he has served on numerous community service boards and coached various Little League teams, City Soccer teams and Club Soccer teams. His service on various foundation boards has resulted in over \$1 million for educational grants for Pinal County students. He has received numerous awards for his judicial service, innovation and work with juveniles and victims. He has lectured on justice issues across the nation. Judge O'Neil loves his wife Tammy, adores his four children and is an avid Arizona Diamondback fan.



**Honorable Boyd T. Johnson**  
Division II

**Boyd T. Johnson** was born and raised in the greater Phoenix area and has been a Pinal County resident since 1976. He was in the private practice of law in Coolidge from 1976 to 1984 during which time he also served as the Coolidge City Prosecutor and for four of those years, in a judicial role, as a Superior Court Juvenile Referee (hearing officer). In July 1984 Judge Johnson became a senior trial attorney in the Pinal County Attorney's Office and was soon appointed as the chief deputy county attorney. He served in that office for more than eight years, until November 1992, when he was appointed by the Board of Supervisors to serve as the Pinal County Public Defender. He remained there until he was selected by a committee of Pinal County citizens and appointed by the Chief Justice of the Arizona Supreme Court, in January 1995, to serve as a full-time Judge Pro Tempore of the Superior Court. In March 1996, Judge Johnson was appointed to fill the vacancy left by Judge Robert R. Bean. Judge Johnson was elected for his first full four year term in November 1996. Judge Johnson was re-elected in November 2000. Additionally in January 2001 he was appointed as the Associate Presiding Judge. Judge Johnson is, and has been, very involved in many civic, business and historical functions in our county and is a member of many civic, charitable and social organizations. Judge Johnson is a Vietnam veteran and a member and supporter of several veteran organizations. He and his wife Kim, have been married since 1968 and have three children, Kristie, Richard and Karen and 3 grandchildren.



**Honorable David M. Roer**  
Division III

**David M. Roer** was born to a pioneer Arizona ranching family. He attended school in Florence and commenced his college education at Central Arizona College. He served in the US Army JAG Corps attached to a Military Police Battalion during the Viet Nam War era. He earned his bachelors degree on active US Army service from American Technological University. He attended law school at Southwestern University College of Law in Los Angeles, California. Commencing the practice of law from 1981 in Coolidge he served as a part time judicial officer for municipal jurisdictions for more than 20 years. Judge Roer served as a Commissioner of the Superior Court of Pinal County commencing in 1991. Judge Roer was appointed to the position of Judge Pro Tempore of the Superior Court of Pinal County by the Chief Justice of the Arizona Supreme Court in 2004. In 2005 Governor Napolitano appointed Judge Roer to serve as Judge of the Superior Court, Division III, for Pinal County, Arizona. His service to the community includes a term as President of the Pinal County Bar Association in 1990-1991, two terms as President of the Pinal County Sheriffs Posse, 1990-1992, multiple terms as President of the Committee to Preserve the Power's Cabin, 1987-1992, membership in the American Legion, Masonic Lodge, and other service related associations. Judge Roer and wife Patricia have three children.

# Pinal County Superior Court



**Honorable Gilberto V. Figueroa**  
Division IV

**Gilberto V. Figueroa** was born in Cumpas, Sonora, Mexico. He received his early education in Douglas, Arizona, and his B.A. and J.D. from the University of Arizona. He has been a resident of Casa Grande since 1979. He was admitted to practice law before all Arizona Trial and Appellate Courts and the United States District Court of Arizona in 1979; served as staff attorney with the Pinal & Gila Counties Legal Aid Society until 1980; engaged in private practice from 1980 to 1992. He was elected County Attorney from January, 1993 to March, 1996; appointed to serve as Pinal County Superior Court Judge Pro Tempore from April, 1996 to December, 1996. He was the appointed Pinal County Family Law Commissioner from January, 1997 to September, 1998. He was appointed to serve as Pinal County Superior Court Judge in September, 1998, and elected as Judge of the Pinal County Superior Court in 1999. He has been a member of the board of directors on many civic and business organizations in Pinal County; and is a member of the Arizona State Bar Association, Arizona Judge's Association; Pinal County Bar Association; Phi Delta Phi Legal Fraternity; Hispanic National Bar Association; Los Abogados; Sunrise Optimist Club of Casa Grande; and Arizona Minority Judges Caucus. He has two children.



**Honorable Stephen F. McCarville**  
Division V

**Stephen McCarville** was born in Philadelphia, PA 1961. Judge McCarville attended elementary schools in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and West Des Moines, Iowa. Creighton University, Bachelor of Arts, History/Political Science, 1983; Creighton University School of Law School, Juris Doctorate Law Degree, 1987. Admitted to practice law before all Arizona Trial and Appellate Courts and the United States District Court of Arizona. Engaged in the general practice of law as a Partner with McCarville, Cooper & Vasquez in Casa Grande, Arizona. Town attorney for the Town of Mammoth, 1990-2000. Appointed as Pro Tempore Juvenile Court Commissioner by Presiding Juvenile Court Judge William O'Neil, May, 2000. Appointed as Superior Court Judge Pro Tempore by Vice-Chief Justice Charles E. Jones of the Arizona Supreme Court, July, 2000. Elected to first full term as Pinal County Superior Court Judge, beginning January 2001. Former Member of the Board of Directors and Vice-President of the Pinal-Gila County Legal Aid Board; American Trial Lawyers Association; Board of Directors Casa Grande Valley Historical Society; Member of the Mayor's Ad Hoc Committee on Downtown Development in Casa Grande, 1998. Present Member and past President (1993-1994) of the Pinal County Bar Association; Arizona Bar Association; American Bar Association; President of the Saint Anthony of Padua School Board 1997 to present; Founding member and President of RTA Hospice Foundation; Member of St. Anthony's Parish Finance Committee; Member and past President (1995-1997) of Casa Grande's Main Street Board. Married to Tammy McCarville with four children, Molly, Erin, Stephen and Ryan.



**Honorable Janna L. Vanderpool**  
Division VI

**Janna L. Vanderpool** was raised in Casa Grande, Arizona, attending Casa Grande Public Schools and Central Arizona College where she graduated with an Associate of Arts degree in 1976. Further education included a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Arizona in 1983 and a Juris Doctorate Law Degree from the University of Arizona College of Law in 1987. She was admitted to practice law in 1989 before all trial and Appellate courts in the State of Arizona and the United States District Courts for the District of Arizona. Judge Vanderpool served as a Deputy County Attorney, Prosecuting Attorney, from November 1989 to May 2000. After election to the office of Superior Court Judge she was appointed to serve as a Judge Pro Tempore, until taking the bench officially January 1, 2001. Memberships, Past and Present: Arizona State Bar Association; Pinal County Bar Association; Yavapai County Bar Association; American Bar Association; Business and Professional Women's Association; Pinal County Domestic Violence Coalition; Past President World Peace Through Law Section, Arizona State Bar; Juvenile Law Section, Arizona State Bar; Public Lawyers Section, Arizona State Bar; Appointments Committee, Arizona State Bar; Board of Directors, Superstition Mountain Historical Society; Board of Directors, Pinal/Gila Legal Aid; National Association of Capital Attorneys; Arizona Women Lawyers Association; Volunteer, United Way. Judge Vanderpool has one daughter.

# Pinal County Superior Court



**Honorable Kevin D. White**  
**Division VII**

**Kevin White** was born and raised in Pinal County. He is the son of long time Casa Grande residents Dave and Mary White. He graduated from Casa Grande Union High School in 1981, and attended West Virginia University on a football scholarship where he played quarterback for the Mountaineers. He majored in political science and graduated cum laude with a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1985. After earning his undergraduate degree, he served two internships with Senator John D. Rockefeller's Office in Washington D.C. He earned his juris doctor degree from Arizona State Law School in 1989 and was admitted to practice law in Arizona that same year. He is also admitted to practice in Federal Court. After graduating from law school, he worked for the Maricopa County Public Defender Office before returning to Pinal County to enter private practice as an associate with Fitzgibbons' Law Offices. He then served as an Assistant City Attorney and City Prosecutor for the City of Casa Grande. In May of 2002, Presiding Judge William O'Neil appointed Judge White to serve as the Family Law Commissioner and a full time Judge Pro-Tempore. He served in that capacity until Governor Janet Napolitano appointed him as Judge of Division VII of the Pinal County Superior Court effective January 10, 2005. He is a member of the State Bar, and Pinal County Bar Association. He has been involved in numerous civic and community activities. He served as a volunteer varsity football coach for Casa Grande High School from 1995 through 2000. He is a former member of the Kiwanis Club of Casa Grande and currently is on the board of the Sunrise Optimist Club and Cougar Football, Inc., a youth football booster organization. In 1993, he was chosen to serve as a member of a Rotary Club Group Study Exchange Team for a goodwill trip to India for five weeks. Judge White is married to his college sweetheart Cathie. They have three children, Sarah, Roma and Kevin Jr.



**Honorable April Phillips Elliot**  
**Division VIII**

**April Phillips Elliott** is an Arizona native, born in Tucson and raised in the Colorado River communities of Bullhead City and Lake Havasu City. She returned to Tucson to attend the University of Arizona where she earned both her Bachelor of Arts in 1992 and her Juris Doctorate in 1995. In law school, she was a member of the Arizona Law Review and served as its Managing Editor her third year. She is admitted to practice before all Arizona trial and appellate courts and before the United States District Court of Arizona. In 1995, she came to Pinal County as an associate attorney with the law firm of Howard & Glenn, P.C. in Casa Grande and later became a partner in the law firm of Glenn & Elliott, P.C. where she engaged in the general practice of law. In 2002, she joined Fitzgibbons Law Offices, where she served as City Prosecutor for the cities of Coolidge and Maricopa. She was appointed as a Justice of the Peace pro tempore in 2002, and later appointed as Family Law Commissioner and Superior Court Judge pro tempore in 2005. She was appointed by Governor Napolitano to the newly created Division Eight in November 2005. She is active with various legal, civic and business organizations in Pinal County both in the present and in the past, including the Arizona State Bar Association, Pinal County Bar Association (President 1998), Pinal and Gila Counties Legal Aid Society Board Member, Southern Arizona Legal Aid Board Member, Sun Life Family Health Center Board Member (Chairperson 2001-2003), Casa Grande Public Library Advisory Board (Current Chairperson), and the Casa Grande Rotary Club. April and her husband, George, have one son, Andrew.

Division IX  
VACANT

# Pinal County Superior Court



**Kristi Youtsey Ruiz**  
**Clerk of the Superior Court**

**Kristi Youtsey Ruiz** is a Pinal County Native, born in Florence, Arizona and a sixth generation Pinal County resident. Ms. Ruiz attended Eloy and Coolidge School Districts and graduated from Santa Cruz Valley Union High School. In 1987 she began a career with Pinal County working for the Superior Court Law Library. During this time, she also volunteered as a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA). Ms. Ruiz then accepted a position with the Human Resource Department for 3 years. Prior to the election, Ms. Ruiz dedicated 10 years in the community working for the Pinal County Health and Human Services Department. Ms. Ruiz attended Central Arizona College and is a University of Phoenix Graduate with a Bachelor of Science Business Management degree. Ms. Ruiz's career made a full circle after being elected as the Pinal County Clerk of the Superior Court and Jury Commissioner taking office in January 2003. Ms. Ruiz is presently a member of the Arizona Association of Superior Court Clerks; Arizona Association of Counties; National Association for Court Management; Arizona Courts Association; Pinal County Domestic Violence Task Force Committee; Pinal County Justice Integration Committee; National Association for the Advancement of Color People; National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials; Pinal County Latino Familia Initiative, and the Arizona Family Support Council. Ms. Ruiz is committed to providing courteous, efficient customer service to all persons ensuring accuracy and integrity in court-related records management. She continues to plan for Pinal County growth by applying strategic methods and enhancing the delivery of services.

# Pinal County Justice Courts



**Honorable Kema Granillo**  
Florence Justice Court

**Kema Granillo** was six years old when her family moved to Arizona. They first lived in Casa Grande where she attended elementary school, later moving to Coolidge attending elementary and high school. Kema has attended Long Beach Medical College, Golden West University (accounting), and Cecil Lawter Real Estate School. Kema is a licensed Real Estate Broker and spent 21 years in real estate before coming to work for the Florence Justice Court. She served as the Chief Clerk for the Florence Justice Court from 1987 to 1996. Kema ran for the position of Justice of the Peace in 1998 and was elected. In April of 1999, she completed the New Judges Orientation Training. Kema has a daughter named Kristy and two grandsons. She resides in Cactus Forest.



**Honorable Phillip W. Bain**  
Casa Grande Justice Court

**Phillip W. Bain** has lived in the Casa Grande area since 1964. In early 1965, Judge Bain began what has become a 40-year career in the criminal justice field. He joined the Casa Grande Police Department in 1965, and after being drafted in 1966 he served two years in the United States Army as a Military Police Sergeant stationed in Korea. Phil returned to the Casa Grande Police Department in 1968. In 1972, he received an A.S. Degree in criminal Justice from Central Arizona College. In 1973, Bain was promoted to Lieutenant Commander of The Casa Grande Police Department. On two separate occasions Judge Bain was appointed acting Chief of Police by the Casa Grande City Council while a new chief was being selected. He retired from the Police Department in 1989 and immediately accepted a civilian position as a DARE instructor. During that time Judge Bain retained his law enforcement certification as a reserve police officer and taught the DARE "Drug Abuse Resistance Education Program" for six years. In 1996 he ran for the election of Casa Grande Justice of the Peace. He was successful and was sworn in as the Honorable Judge Phillip W. Bain in September 1996. He and his wife Gwenda reside in Casa Grande. They have two children, Brandi and Carson, and two granddaughters, Britteny Nikell Bain and Zoie Nicole Clark.



**Honorable Marie A. Lorona**  
Eloy Justice Court

**Marie "Toni" A. Lorona** is a native of Arizona, and has been a resident of Pinal County for 37 years. Judge Lorona graduated from St. Mary's High School and continued her education at Phoenix College. Judge Lorona attended the Arizona First Legal Institute for Non-Law Trained Judges at Arizona State University, the University of Arizona, and Central Arizona College. In 1984 she was appointed City Magistrate for the City of Eloy. In 1986 she was elected to the Office of Justice of the Peace in Pinal County, Precinct Three. The Judge is a member of the Limited Jurisdiction Committee for the Supreme Court, Presiding Justice of the Peace, Training coordinator for the Justice of the Peace Courts, Secretary Treasurer for Pinal Hispanic Council, Vice Chairman of the Red Ribbon Campaign for the Eloy Governors Drug Alliance, board member for the Pinal County School to Work Partnership, served as board member for the Arizona Chamber of Commerce, President of the Corozon De Latinos Unidos, Board of Director, and Parish Council member, of St. Helen's Catholic Church. Judge Lorona has been involved in Court Mediation since 1992 for small claims, civil, and youth (gang) mediation. Judge Lorona is involved in the Pinal County Task Force for Domestic Violence, Restorative Justice, and DUI Coalition. Judge Lorona is past President for the Justice of the Peace Association, past President of the Eloy Chamber of Commerce, past treasurer for the Arizona Justice of the Peace Association, past chairman of the Pinal Hispanic Council, and past member of the Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee.

# Pinal County Justice Courts



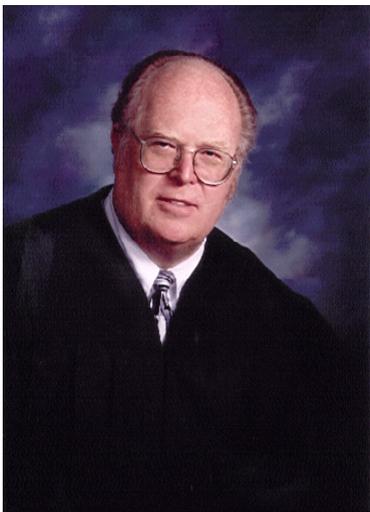
**Honorable Joe A. Ruiz**  
**Mammoth Justice Court**

**Joe A. Ruiz** was elected as the Justice of the Peace in 1972. Judge Ruiz graduated from Ray High School in Ray, Arizona. He also graduated from the University of Arizona with a degree in pharmacy. Judge Ruiz resides in Mammoth. He has six children and eleven grandchildren.



**Honorable Ellie Brown**  
**Oracle Justice Court**

**Ellie M. Brown** has been a resident of Pinal County for 47 years and is a native of Arizona. She was appointed to the office of Justice of the Peace, Precinct #5, on June 16, 2004 by the Pinal County Board of Supervisors. Judge Brown graduated from San Manuel High School, has an Associates of Arts degree from Central Arizona College, a dual Bachelors of Science degree in Management and Business from the University of Phoenix, a Masters degree in Educational Leadership from Northern Arizona University, received her certification as a Certified Public Manager through Arizona State University and received her judicial training Certificate of Completion of the Limited Jurisdiction Court, passing the mandated exam issued by the Arizona Supreme Court. Judge Brown is an Associate Arizona State Director of the National Judges Association, a member of the Arizona Courts Association, the Arizona Justice of the Peace Association, Arizona Minority Judges Caucus, Sierra Oaks School Board, St. Helens Finance/Building Committee and Choir Director, Oracle Softball Board, Rotary, Eastern Pinal County Domestic Violence Coalition, Adelante Juntos Committee, Pinal County and Arizona State member of Certified Public Managers, the Pinal County Adult Probation Community Advisory Board, Pinal County Court Capital Improvement Committee, served on the Arizona Judicial Council Commission on Technology, Restorative Justice Committee and was appointed by Chief Justice Jones and Judge William O'Neil for the Supreme Court Committee on the Impact of Domestic Violence. Judge Brown brings her community-building spirit to the Oracle Justice Court. It is her real-world management skills and experience that help strengthen our government and our community. She and her husband, Steven R. Brown, Pinal County Building Official, have three children, two grandchildren, and a Son-in-Law serving in Iraq.



**Honorable Bruce Griffith**  
**Superior Justice Court**

**Bruce Griffith** began his service as Justice of the Peace of the Superior-Kearny Justice Court in 1995. Both Judge Griffith and Andrea, his wife of 36 years, have raised eight children and are currently enjoying their seven grandchildren. Having been raised in the small Arizona mining town of Hayden since he was just an infant, he learned to appreciate rural Arizona through Boy Scouting, exploring and camping. As an adult he continued to work with young people in scouting and other organizations. His enthusiasm for exploration took him to Southern Mexico on an archeological project where he became aware of the extreme poverty of the native people. Again working with young people, he helped organize several humanitarian projects including the building of a community water system and a school for the native children. During his decade long service to citizens of Pinal County, he was selected as the presiding Justice of the Peace in Pinal County and served as the president of the Arizona Justice of the Peace Association for three terms. He currently serves on several committees within the judicial system, volunteered as a mentor judge, and has conducted training for other judges and judicial staff. Judge Griffith has received hundreds of hours of training in the judicial system, including training at the National Judicial College in Reno, Nevada.

# Pinal County Justice Courts



**Honorable Dennis L. Lusk**  
**Apache Junction Justice Court**

**Dennis L. Lusk** attended Fullerton College in Fullerton, CA receiving his AA in 1972. He graduated with honors receiving his BA from California State University in 1975. Judge Lusk received his Juris Doctor from the University of Arizona College of Law and was admitted to the Arizona State Bar in 1978. His career began as a Law Clerk/Intern/and then Deputy with the Pima County Attorney's office for 1 and a half years, the Cochise County Attorney's Office as a Deputy County Attorney for three years, the Arizona Prosecuting Attorneys' Council as a training coordinator for three and a half years, working with Greenlee County Attorney's office for three and a half years as a Chief Deputy County Attorney. He then went to work for the Pima County Attorney's office as a Deputy County Attorney in the narcotics division for four years, then the Greenlee County Attorney's office for four years. Judge Lusk was recently named a "Drug Recognition Expert Ambassador" by the International Association of the Chiefs of Police and the Arizona Governor's Office of Highway Safety. His published work includes: HGN; a Roadside Sobriety Test, Arizona State Bar Journal, December 1988; Search Warrant Manual, Arizona Narcotics Officer's Association 1996; Arizona Prior Convictions Manual, A.P.A.A.C., 12 Editions, 1980-2000; Arizona prosecutors DWI Trial Book, A.P.A.A.C., 2 Editions, 1982, 1988; Arizona Police Officer's DWI Arrest Manual, G.O.H.S., 2 Editions, 1984, 2000; Statewide DWI Steering Committees, U.S. Dept. Of Transportation, 1987; and AZ Criminal RAJI - Assisted Judge Rudolph Gerber with Rewrite of Final Draft, 1985.



**Honorable Scott Sulley**  
**Maricopa Justice Court**

**Scott Sulley** was a practicing attorney in Pinal County for 15 years before being elected as Justice of the Peace for the Maricopa/Stanfield Precinct Justice Court. Judge Sulley has an extensive background in both civil and criminal litigation. He has served as a prosecutor and as City Magistrate for the City of Coolidge. Judge Sulley has a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science from Ripon College in Wisconsin, a Juris Doctorate degree from Northern Illinois University School of Law and a Masters of Business Administration from the American Graduate School of International Management, (more commonly known as "Thunderbird") in Glendale, Arizona. Scott has been admitted to the practice of law in the State of Arizona and in the United States Federal District Court. He is a member of the Arizona Bar Association, the Pinal County Justices of the Peace Association and the Maricopa Chapters of Rotary International, Optimists International, and the Maricopa Community Chamber of Commerce. Judge Sulley also served on the Public Safety Committee and is currently the Magistrate for the City of Maricopa. Judge Sulley is a member of the New Judge Orientation Committee which advises the Administrative Office of the Courts on education for recently elected or appointed judges and also serves as a table mentor, facilitator and instructor for those judges. Scott is also a member of the Administrative Office of the Courts Legal Issues Workgroup which advises the Court Services Division of the Arizona Supreme Court about legal and procedural issues in limited jurisdiction courts. Scott's wife Glenda has taught at Stanfield School for 22 years. Scott, Glenda and their son Matthew live in the Maricopa area.

# Pinal County Administration



**Terry Doolittle**  
County Manager

**Terry Doolittle** has provided 20 years of service to Pinal County. Mr. Doolittle is appointed as the County Manager. Prior positions include Deputy County Manager for Administrative Services, Finance Director, Principal Internal Auditor, and Internal Auditor. Mr. Doolittle is a graduate from Arizona State University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Accounting. Previously, Mr. Doolittle was employed by the State of Arizona's Office of the Auditor General (1980-1986). Presently, Mr. Doolittle is a member of the International City/County Managers' Association and the Governmental Finance Officers' Association. Mr. Doolittle served on the Executive Committee for the Arizona City/County Managers' Association and served four terms as Chairman of the Board of Trustees for the Arizona County Insurance Pool and the Arizona County Workers' Compensation Pool.



**Manny González**  
Assistant County Mgr. for  
Administrative Services

**Manny González** is a native of Nogales, Arizona. He was appointed Assistant County Manager for Administrative Services in December 2005. Manny has held numerous positions with city, town and county governments in Maricopa County in his 25 years of public service. He came to Pinal County from the City of Phoenix where he was the Housing Director for 6 ½ years. Manny spent over 16 years with the City of Phoenix working in Housing, the City Manager's Office, Development Services, Budget and Research and the Water Services Departments. He also worked for Maricopa County twice in the Office of Management Analysis, for the City of Chandler in the Public Works Department and started his career with the Town of Guadalupe leaving as the Director of Social Services. Manny has a Masters in Public Administration and a Bachelor in Social Work from Arizona State University. He is a member of the Arizona City/County Management Association and the National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials. Manny is currently living in the San Tan area of Pinal County. He has an 18 year old daughter Erika who is in the Arizona National Guard and a 15 year old son Aaron who will be a sophomore in High School.



**Elizabeth "Lisa" Garcia**  
Asst. County Mgr. for Health  
& Human Services

**Elizabeth A. "Lisa" Garcia** was born and raised in Miami, Arizona. She was appointed to the position of Assistant County Manager for Health and Human Services in August of 2005. She has fifteen years of experience as part of executive management in public sector managed care organizations. Prior positions include Management Consultant, Vice President of Network Management and Program Development for ValueOptions Maricopa County, Chief Operating Officer for Pinal Gila Behavioral Health Association for 10 years, and Emergency Room Social Worker for Maricopa Medical Center. She served as a Medic in the United States Army. Ms. Garcia is a graduate of Arizona State University where she received a Bachelor and Master Degree in Social Work. She has a son Dylan and daughter Nina.

# Pinal County Administration



**Ken Buchannan**  
**Asst. County Mgr. for**  
**Development Services**

**Ken Buchannan** is a native Pinal County resident born in Casa Grande and raised in Eloy. Mr. Buchannan is appointed as the Pinal County Assistant County Manager for Development Services. Ken has held numerous positions throughout his 30 years of public service. Prior to being appointed, Ken was the City Manager for the City of Casa Grande. His previous appointments were Parks & Recreation Director and later Assistant to the City Manager for the City of Eloy, the Town Manager of Florence and the Town Manager of Payson. Mr. Buchannan is a graduate of Central Arizona College (AS -Law Enforcement) and Arizona State University (BS- Recreation Management and MPA - Masters in Public Administration). Mr. Buchannan is also a graduate of the Senior Executive Program, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University. He is a member of the International City/County Management Association and Arizona City/County Management Association. Ken is currently an active member of the Central Arizona College Foundation and the Pinal County University Foundation. Ken and his wife Debra reside in Casa Grande. They have two grown children: Ryan and Kyle.



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## County Management

### **Board of Supervisors**

Lionel Ruiz, Chairperson  
*District 1*

Sandie Smith  
*District 2*

David Snider  
*District 3*

### **Management Staff**

Terry Doolittle  
*County Manager*

Manny González  
*Assistant County Manager*

Elizabeth (Lisa) Garcia  
*Assistant County Manager*

Ken Buchanan  
*Assistant County Manager*

### **Department Heads, Directors, and Elected Officials**

Todd Zweig  
*Adult Probation*

Don Gabrielson  
*Air Quality Control*

Ruth Stalter  
*Animal Care & Control*

Paul Larkin  
*County Assessor*

Steve Brown  
*Building Safety*

Jim Throop  
*Budget & Research*

Kristi Youtsey-Ruiz  
*Clerk of the Superior  
Court*

Clarence Cramer  
*Conciliation Court*

Carter Olson  
*County Attorney*

Gilberto Hoyos  
*Elections*

Reg Glos  
*Environmental Health*

Mark Tucker  
*Facilities*

Victoria Prins  
*Finance*

Donna Simpson  
*Horizon Home Health*

Adeline Allen  
*Housing Authority*

Michael Arnold  
*Human Resources*

Elke Jackson  
*Jail Health*

Diane McGinnis  
*Juvenile Services*

Denise Keller  
*Library District*

Barbara Zwiener  
*Long Term Care*

Genene Walker  
*Information Technology*

Terry Haifley  
*Parks/Recreation/Fairgrounds*

David Kuhl  
*Planning & Development*

Mary Wisdom  
*Public Defender*

Tom Schryer  
*Public Health*

Greg Stanley  
*Public Works*

Bill Yeniscavich  
*Public Fiduciary/Behavioral  
Health /Medical Examiner*

Laura Dean-Lytle  
*County Recorder*

Jack Harmon, Ed.D.  
*County School Superintendent*

Chris Vasquez  
*Sheriff*

Paul O'Connell  
*Superior Court Administration*

Dolores "Dodie" Doolittle  
*County Treasurer*