

City of Apache Junction

Home of the Superstition Mountains

Municipal Court

To: Whom it May Concern

From: Regan C Appelo, Court Administrator

Date: August 1, 2024

Subject: Judicial Assistant Recommendation

I was tasked with recruiting and interviewing for the Judicial Assistant position. The interview consisted of myself, and Elvia Cariño, Management Analyst as panel members. I am recommending the top candidate to our Presiding Judge, A. Douglas LaSota, and City Council Members to appoint Christine Reynolds for the Judicial Assistant position.

Christine Reynolds has 15 years of business management experience and received an Associate Degree in Business with an emphasis in accounting. She was a team supervisor, who analyzed medical reaction data reports, and worked closely with customer service representatives evaluating performance and training needs. She recently acquired 2 years of court experience with the Apache Junction Municipal Court and is an Apache Junction resident. Christine currently serves as a Civil Traffic Hearing Officer hearing and ruling on cases. Both Judge LaSota and Judge McVey mentor Christine on civil traffic hearing questions encountered. Christine is also our subject matter expert for the Mental Health & Homeless Court program. She was key in starting up the program alongside Judge LaSota. She ensured key stakeholders participated, assisted health care providers and defendants in understanding program requirements, and tracking compliant and non-compliant cases in the program. Christine is currently attending the Arizona Supreme Court Supervisor Program and is at the final stage of successfully completing the program. She will be ready to move onto the Arizona Court Manager Program soon thereafter.

Christine Reynolds is recommended for the Judicial Assistant position. She will continue to be a great asset for the Apache Junction Municipal Court. Thank you for your consideration and we look forward to her appointment.