

Volunteer Opportunities

TOWN OF PARADISE VALLEY COMMITTEE VOLUNTEER APPLICATION FORM

Thank you for your interest in volunteering with the Town. Appointments to committees, commissions, and boards are made in late March of each year and terms begin April 1. Applications are accepted throughout the year. The deadline to be considered for appointment is February 4th at 5:00 PM. Applications received after that time will be kept on file and may be considered for mid-term vacancies. It is not necessary to list a committee preference. During the interview with the Mayor and Council, consideration will be given to the applicant's background, skills, and interests to assist in determining the best fit.

Please provide the following background information.

Name*

Rachelle Leibsohn

Address*

Ridgeview Drive Paradise Valley Az 85253

Email*

Home Phone

Employer

Retired Maricopa County Civil Attorney and current Justice of the Peace Pro
Attorney

Occupation

Business Phone

Cell Phone

Number of years as PV resident

10

Professional experience highlights

I retired from the Maricopa County Attorney's Office as a Civil Attorney after 31 years. During that time I represented Maricopa County in property tax disputes. I also gave advise to elected and appointed officials on various legal matters which are referred to in my resume.

What experience do you think qualifies you to be a committee member?

I am very thoughtful in the way I approach problems. I have a wide range of experience in governmental matters since I have been employed in a governmental setting for 31 years. I believe my background would prove useful in serving on one of Paradise Valley's Boards or Commissions.

Community Activities

See attached resume

Information on each of the committees including summaries, annual reports, and meeting minutes are located on the Boards & Commissions page.

[Information on Committees](#)

Have you familiarized yourself with the duties of the committee(s) in which you are interested?*

Yes

No

Attach resume and cover letter

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* indicates required fields.

RACHELLE ZOLLER LEIBSOHN

EDUCATION

Tulane University School of Law, J.D. 1982, *Cum Laude*
3.26/4.0 cumulative GPA, class rank 39/223

Tulane University School of Business, B.S. in Management, 1979, *Summa Cum Laude*.
3.89/4.0 cumulative GPA, class rank 2/71

PROFESSIONAL ADMISSIONS

Arizona State Bar
Louisiana State Bar, *inactive*
Texas State Bar Association, *inactive*

WORK EXPERIENCE

May 2020–Present
Justice of the Peace Pro Tem, Maricopa County Justice Courts

1987–August 2019, *retired*
Attorney, Maricopa County Attorney's Office, Civil Services Division

Major Assignments

2008–August 2019

Representation of Maricopa County in small claims and regular property tax appeal cases that have exponentially grown to become entire caseload. Handled mental health commitment hearings on an as needed basis. Made court appearances for Public Fiduciary.

2001–2008

Counsel in charge of civil representation provided by Maricopa County Attorney to the following County agencies, over various periods of time: Correctional Health Services, Recorder's Office, Justice Courts, Maricopa County Constables, Maricopa County Superior Court Clerk's Office, Legal Defender, Public Defender, Victim Compensation Board, Medical Examiner and Library District.

1998–2000

Lead Counsel, Criminal Justice Practice

Lead attorney responsible for civil representation provided by Maricopa County Attorney to Maricopa County Sheriff's Office in litigation matters; monitoring of in-house and outside attorneys.

1994–1998

Lead Counsel, Tax Practice

Lead attorney responsible for civil representation provided by Maricopa County Attorney to Maricopa County Assessor's Office regarding day to day advice and representation in tax appeal matters; monitoring of in-house and outside attorneys.

1987–1994

Representation of Maricopa County in property tax appeals; provided day-to-day advice to Assessor and Treasurer.

1996–1999

Member, Maricopa County Attorney's Office Opinion Review Committee
Chairman, 1997 — 1998

1986–1987

Associate in commercial section, Gust, Rosenfeld, Phoenix, AZ

1982–1985

Tax Consultant, Touche Ross & Company, (now Deloitte & Touche), Houston, TX and Phoenix, AZ

AWARDS

Maricopa County Attorney - Civil Attorney of the Year, 1990 and 1998

SEMINARS

Speaker at seminars sponsored by the Arizona Bar Association, Arizona Department of Revenue and Arizona Property Taxpayer's Association on property tax matters. Chairman and speaker at Arizona State Bar seminar on mentoring.

STATE BAR ACTIVITIES

2000–2006, Member of Mentoring Committee (Chairman 2004-2006)

2001–2005, Participant in Courtroom Experience, Project of the Superior Court of Arizona

COMMUNITY SERVICE ACTIVITIES

Served on the Board of Directors of the following organizations: Women's Division, Jewish Federation, Jewish Women's Business and Professional Women, American Jewish Committee, State of Israel Bonds.

ADDITIONAL CREDENTIALS

Arizona Real Estate Salesperson's License