

# John R. Augustine Council Seat Voting Area 5



## Candidate Information

### **John Augustine**

*SRP Council Member*

- Served two tours in Vietnam as a United States Army Helicopter Pilot
- Graduated from Scottsdale High School and attended Arizona State College
- Owner of Desert Tree Farm for 50 years. Desert Tree Farm has produced over 20 million trees
- Obtained the first U.S. Ornamental Plant Patent in Arizona
- Fifth generation American farmer
- Named Farmer of the Year in 2007 by The Arizona Farm Bureau
- Member of the Hebron Methodist Church
- Owns a grain farm that includes the family homestead in Iowa and is a protected preserve of the endangered Indiana Bat
- Owns acreage of cotton and alfalfa in Laveen, Arizona and a historical cattle ranch in Young, Arizona
- Ownership of ranches and farms that have been surveyed by the U.S. Government as good stewardship for grasses and birds
- Formerly a nursery representative for Maricopa County Farm Bureau and Chairman of its Labor Committee
- Formerly a National Delegate to the Nursery Commodity Meeting, representing the Arizona Farm Bureau
- Currently supports St. Vincent DePaul with farm produce and donated funds
- Proud member of Pheasants Forever and Quails Forever
- **John has served as a member of:**
  - o The Phoenix Futures Forum
  - o Paradise Valley Community Council
  - o Development Services Advisory Board for the City of Phoenix
  - o The Nature Conservancy
  - o Arizona Agricultural Relations Board
  - o The Arizona Nursery Association
  - o Gila Cattle Growers Association
  - o The Arizona Cattle Growers Association
  - o Salt River Project Council
- **John has served on the following boards:**
  - o The Arizona Nursery Association
  - o The Desert Botanical Garden
  - o The Bank of Paradise Valley
  - o The Bank of Scottsdale
  - o The Phoenix Water Rates Advisory Board
  - o The Boy Scouts' Rough Rider Group

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