**15TH CIRCUIT JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION**

**NOTICE OF VACANCY AND ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATIONS**

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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The Fifteenth Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission (“JNC”) announces one vacancy for a Circuit Court Judge position created by the retirement and resignation of Judge Janis Brustares Keyser. The JNC has been asked to provide Governor Ron DeSantis with nominees for the vacancy by Saturday, May 14, 2022.

**Qualifications of Applicants**:

Applicants must be able to fulfill the Constitutional qualifications for circuit court and county court judges described in Article V, Section 8 of the Florida Constitution.

**Instructions for Submission**:

1) The current Judicial Application form must be used and can be found at <https://www.flgov.com/judicial-and-judicial-nominating-commission-information/>. Applicants should ensure they are using the correct and current form.

2) Applications must be in .pdf form and submitted as follows: (i) one **original** copy of the application, including all attachments, (ii) one **redacted** copy of the application, including all attachments, excluding all exempt information under Chapter 119 of the Florida Statutes or other applicable public records law. The two .pdf files should be named in a “last name.first name” format. For example: Jane Smith should submit two files named: (1) Smith.Jane.pdf and (2) Smith.Jane-REDACTED.pdf.

Each electronic application, including exhibits, must be a single pdf file. **No paper applications will be accepted.**

3) The deadline for submission of the completed application is **1:00 p.m., April 27, 2022**. **Applications submitted after the deadline will not be considered.** Both the original and redacted electronic applications must be submitted by email to rharvey@jenksharveylaw.com.

Please ensure the Application is complete, including all required responses (including references, case style and contact information regarding recent cases, and class standing and degree information regarding education), and all required attachments (writing sample, financial disclosure, photograph). **Incomplete applications may not be considered.**

**Additional Information**:

The JNC will publish on the Palm Beach County Bar Association’s website [www.palmbeachbar.org](http://www.palmbeachbar.org) and Governor Ron DeSantis’ judicial webpage <https://www.flgov.com/judicial-and-judicial-nominating-commission-information/> the date and location of any interviews that the JNC chooses to conduct. **The JNC anticipates that any interviews will be held the week of May 9, 2022.**

All JNC proceedings are open to the public, except for deliberations. Applications are not confidential. If an applicant is nominated, all materials attached to the original application will be submitted to the Governor.

A list of members of the Fifteenth Circuit JNC is available at <https://www.flgov.com/judicial-and-judicial-nominating-commission-information/>.Members of the bench, the Bar and the public are urged to contact the members of the Commission concerning applicants for judicial positions.

If you have any questions, please call Mr. Harvey at (561) 303-2918, or email at rharvey@jenksharveylaw.com