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Mr. Alvin Brown
Chair – Twelfth Judicial Circuit
Judicial Nominating Commission
1001 3rd Avenue West, Suite 375
Bradenton, FL 34205

Dear Mr. Brown:

On behalf of Governor DeSantis, I am requesting that you convene the Twelfth Judicial Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission for the purpose of selecting and submitting to the Governor the names of highly qualified lawyers for appointment to the Twelfth Judicial Circuit Court and DeSoto County Court. These appointments are to fill the vacancies created by the resignations of Judge Kimberly Bonner, effective September 2, 2022, and Judge Danielle Brewer, effective July 3, 2022. The Governor strongly prefers submission of the maximum number of nominees (six) for each vacancy.

The Commission's deadline for completion of this undertaking is **Sunday, September 4, 2022**. In cases where a discretionary extension of no more than thirty days is needed, as authorized by Article V, Section 11(c) of the Florida Constitution, please contact me.

Administrative support for the Commission will be provided by the Governor's Office, pursuant to section 43.291(7), Florida Statutes. This includes all essential administrative needs such as document distribution, public announcements and the like. Our Director of Judicial Appointments, Meredith Pardo (850-717-9448; Meredith.Pardo@eog.myflorida.com), will contact you to these ends.

The Commission's handling of this matter is most appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Ryan Newman".

Ryan Newman
General Counsel

cc: The Honorable Charles Roberts
Chief Judge