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The Honorable Ron DeSantis, Governor of Florida The Capitol 400 S. Monroe Street Tallahassee, FL 32399-0001

Re: Retirement of Circuit Judge Margaret W. Hudson (7th Judicial Circuit, Group Eleven)

Dear Governor DeSantis:

Please accept this letter as notice of my resignation and retirement as a Circuit Judge of the Seventh Judicial Circuit, effective at the end of business on January 4, 2023.

It has been an honor and privilege to serve the people of the State of Florida and the people of Volusia, Flagler, Putnam and St. Johns counties within the Seventh Judicial Circuit during my tenure on the bench. For over 16 years, I have had the opportunity to work with talented and professional judges, as well as attorneys, bailiffs, clerks, judicial staff and court administration who all work tirelessly in the administration of our justice system. I am humbled and grateful for having been given this special privilege.

I trust that you will convene the Seventh Judicial Circuit's Nominating Commission as soon as practical to allow for an expeditious appointment of my successor and a smooth transition.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret W. Xludson

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Circuit Judge

cc: Ryan Newman, General Counsel

James R. Clayton, Chief Judge, Seventh Judicial Circuit