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Mr. Pedro Allende Chair – Eleventh Judicial Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission 5270 Sunset Drive Miami, FL 33143

Dear Mr. Allende:

On behalf of Governor DeSantis, I am requesting that you convene the Eleventh 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 Miami-Dade County Court. These appointments are to fill the vacancies created by the elevation of Judge Javier Enriquez and the retirement of Judge Luise Martin. 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 **Friday, March 17, 2023**.

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.

Ryan Newman General Counsel

cc: The Honorable Nushin Sayfie Chief Judge