SECOND CIRCUIT JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION ANNOUNCES APPLICATION DEADLINE AND INTERVIEW DATES

APPLICATION DEADLINE MARCH 25, 2024

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

March 4, 2024

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As a result of the resignation of Judge Kenneth Hosford, there is a vacancy on the Liberty County Court bench. Gov. Ron DeSantis has asked the Second Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission to provide him with highly qualified nominees for these vacancies by no later than Tuesday, April 16, 2024.

Complete, unredacted applications for these vacancies must be received before 10:00 a.m. on Monday, March 25, 2024, at:

2nd Judicial Circuit Nominating Commission Attn: William N. Spicola c/o Komisar Spicola 101 North Gadsden Street Tallahassee, Florida 32302

The current judicial appointment application may be downloaded from the Office of the Governor at www.flgov.com. For these vacancies, the Second Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission will not accept the previous version of the application.

The Second Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission (JNC) will meet at **5:00 p.m.** on **Monday**, **March 25**, **2024**, telephonically at (605) 475-4000, Participant Passcode 1071698. Members of the public are invited to attend.

AGENDA:

- 1. Call to Order.
- 2. Review the list of applicants for vacancies and assign vetting.
- 3. Adjourn.

Interviews will be held on **Monday April 15, 2024**. Additional information regarding the location and interview schedule will be forthcoming.

Neither incomplete applications nor applications submitted after the deadline will be considered. Further, all applicants must meet the qualifications for the Liberty County Court judges outlined in Article V, Section 8 of the Florida Constitution.

No Paper Copies of the application will be accepted. A thumb drive with a .PDF of the original application, and a .PDF version of the application with personal information not subject to public

disclosure redacted as permitted by Section 119.071 of the Florida Statutes. Please also include a digital photo with the applications. To assist the commission, all questions on the application must be fully and completely answered. Applications must include current contact information (especially direct phone numbers), including email addresses, for judges, co-counsel, opposing counsel and references to facilitate the background investigation that will be conducted by the members of the commission. Applicants shall not initiate contact with the commissioners until the nominees are submitted to Gov. DeSantis.

All proceedings of this Judicial Nominating Commission are open to the public except for deliberations. Accordingly, applicants should not expect their application to be kept confidential. If an applicant is nominated, all materials attached to the original application will be submitted to Gov. DeSantis' office. If there are any questions about the application process, please contact William Spicola at the number above.

The members of the Judicial Nominating Commission include the following: William N. Spicola, Chair, David Axelman, Vice Chair, Matthew J. Carson, Natalie Christmas, Robert Neil Clarke, Jr., Carly A. Hermanson, Brian Newman, Kristina R. Osterhaus, and Ray Treadwell. ##