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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Governor Ron DeSantis
Attention: Joe Jacquot, Esq., General Counsel
State of Florida
Executive Office of the Governor
400 S. Monroe Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0001

Re: Seventeenth Circuit – Broward County Court Vacancy

Dear Mr. Jacquot:

Pursuant to your April 10, 2020 letter on behalf of Governor De Santis, the Seventeenth Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission is pleased to nominate the following applicants for the seat being vacated by the elevation of Broward County Judge Michael Davis to the Broward Circuit Court. The applicants are listed in alphabetical order.

1. Tabitha Blackmon
2. Randall Katz
3. Yves Laventure
4. Tamara Rimes-Merrigan
5. Michele McCaul Ricca
6. Claudette Vanni

We are sending to your office via secure link the unredacted and redacted applications for each of the above applicants as well as letters of recommendation. Please let us know if we can be of any further assistance.

Very truly yours,
/s/ Kenneth J. Joyce
Kenneth J. Joyce
Chair, Seventeenth Circuit Judicial
Nominating Commission

cc: Chief Judge Jack Tuter
Nick Primrose, Esq., Deputy General Counsel to Governor De Santis
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