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Mr. Daniel Nordby Chair – Supreme Court Judicial Nominating Commission 215 South Monroe Street, Suite 804 Tallahassee, Florida 32301

Dear Mr. Nordby,

On behalf of Governor DeSantis, I am requesting that you convene the Supreme Court Judicial Nominating Commission for the purpose of selecting and submitting to the Governor the names of highly qualified lawyers for appointment to the Florida Supreme Court. With the confirmations of Justice Barbara Lagoa and Justice Robert J. Luck to the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit and the Governor's receipt of their resignation letters, these appointments will fill those vacancies. The Governor prefers submission of the maximum number of nominees (twelve) for these vacancies.

The Commission's deadline for completion of this undertaking is prior to 60 days from the date of this letter. This includes a discretionary extension as authorized by Article V, Section 11(c) of the Florida Constitution.

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. JNC Coordinator Erin Kraeft (850-717-9310; Erin.Kraeft@eog.myflorida.com) will assist you to these ends.

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

Sincerely

Joe Jacquot

General Counsel

cc: The Honorable Charles T. Canady

Chief Justice