

**TWELFTH CIRCUIT JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION
ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR COUNTY COURT SEAT CREATED
BY THE RESIGNATION OF JUDGE ROBERT FARRANCE**

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SARASOTA - The Twelfth Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission has been asked to provide Governor Ron DeSantis with nominees for a vacancy for the Manatee County Judgeship, created by the resignation of Judge Robert Farrance.

Applicants must have been a member of the Florida Bar for the preceding five years, a registered voter and a resident of the territorial jurisdiction of the Court at the time of assuming office. Applications may be downloaded from the Office of the Governor's website at www.flgov.com or the Florida Bar's Website at www.floridabar.org.

All people interested in applying must deliver the following:

- A complete paper version of the application along with current photograph to:

Varinia Van Ness, Chair, 12th Circuit JNC
Van Ness Law Group, P.A.
46 N. Washington Blvd. Suite 9
Sarasota, FL 34236

- A .pdf version of the complete application with a color photograph to varinia@vannesslawgroup.com
- A redacted version of the application excluding all exempt information under Chapter 119, F.S., or other applicable public records law to varinia@vannesslawgroup.com

THE ATTACHED PDF FILES SHOULD BE NAMED SO THAT THE APPLICANT'S NAME AND "REDACTED" OR "UNREDACTED" IS READILY APPARENT IN THE NAME OF THE ATTACHMENT.

All applications must be received by 5 p.m. on March 13th, 2020. Applications submitted after the deadline will not be considered.

NOTE TO APPLICANTS: All questions in the application must be answered fully and completely. Applications should include current and accurate contact information for judges, co-counsel, opposing counsel and references, as those individuals will likely be contacted.

INTERVIEWS: Interviews are tentatively scheduled to be held on March 27th, 2020 at the Manatee County Judicial Center, located at 1051 Manatee Avenue West Bradenton, Florida 34205. Members of the bench, bar and public are encouraged to contact members of the Commission concerning applicants for judicial positions. A complete listing for each member is available on the Florida Bar's Website www.floridabar.org.

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