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Governor Rick Scott
The Capitol
400 S. Monroe Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399-00001

RE: Letter of Intent to Retire

Dear Governor Scott:

Shortly after my first year of law school, when I was commissioned as an Ensign in the United States Navy, I began a long and rewarding career in public service. After much prayer and soul searching with my wife, I write to inform you of my decision to retire from my position as a Circuit Judge of the 10th Judicial Circuit, effective December 31, 2013.

It has been my honor and privilege to serve the citizens of Polk, Highlands and Hardee Counties for over twenty-five years as a judge. I am advising you of my decision early, so that you may begin the appointment process to fill the vacancy created by my midterm retirement. Should you have any questions concerning this notification, please advise.

Thank you for your kind attention to this matter, and thank you for your service to our state.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Harvey A. Kornstein in cursive script.
Harvey A. Kornstein

CC: Chief Judge Wm Bruce Smith