

Eighth Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission

Norm D. Fugate, Chair

February 2, 2017

The Honorable Rick Scott
The Capitol
400 S. Monroe Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399

Via U.S. Mail and e-mail: Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com

RE: Nominees for Circuit Court Judgeship Vacancy

Dear Governor Scott:

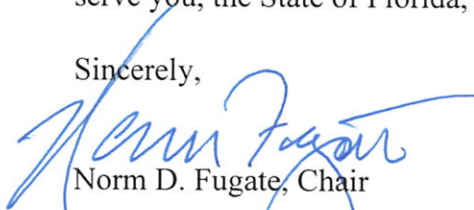
Pursuant to your letter of December 5, 2016, the Eighth Judicial Circuit Nominating Commission has convened and has conducted interviews of eleven of the individuals who applied to fill the Circuit Court vacancy in the Eighth Judicial Circuit.

Following the post-interview deliberations, the Commission voted on final recommendations for the six highest qualified applicants. The certified list of names of the nominees, alphabetically ordered, is as follows:

Tania Z. Alavi
Susanne Wilson Bullard
Luis E. Bustamante
Julie Crews Johnson
Meshon Trinette Rawls
Kristine Van Vorst

On behalf of my fellow Commissioners, please know that it is our honor and privilege to serve you, the State of Florida, and the Eighth Judicial Circuit, in this capacity.

Sincerely,



Norm D. Fugate, Chair

cc: Honorable Toby Monaco, Chief Judge, Eighth Judicial Circuit
William N. Spicola, Governor's General Counsel

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