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Mr. Kevin P. Tynan Chair- Judicial Nominating Commission Seventeenth Circuit 8142 N. University Drive Tamarac, Florida 33321

Dear Mr. Tynan:

Governor Scott asks that you convene the Seventeenth Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission for the purpose of selecting and submitting to the Governor the names of highly qualified lawyers for appointment to the Broward County Court. This appointment is to fill a vacancy brought about by the resignation of Judge Gisele Pollack. The Governor strongly prefers submission of the maximum number of nominees (six) for this vacancy.

The Commission's deadline for completion of this undertaking is **Monday**, **March 16**, **2015**. The deadline is final as it includes the discretionary 30-day extension authorized by Article V, Section 11(c) of the Florida Constitution.

Administrative support for the Commission will be provided by the Governor's Office. Sec. 43.291(7), Fla. Stat. (2012). This includes all essential administrative needs such as document distribution, public announcements and the like. JNC Coordinator Laura Bax (850-717-9313; Laura.Bax@eog.myflorida.com) will contact you to these ends.

The Commissioner's expeditious handling of this matter is most appreciated. If I may be of assistance to you or the members of the Commission, please call me at (850) 717-9321.

Timothy M. Cerio General Counsel

Peter M. Weinstein Chief Judge