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Ms. Bonnie Lee Polk Chair- Judicial Nominating Commission Twelfth Judicial Circuit Williams Parker Harrison Dietz & Getzen 200 S. Orange Ave. Sarasota, Florida 34236-6802

> Re: Amending Commission's deadline for April 14, 2015 letter to convene

Dear Ms. Polk:

Governor Scott has directed me to request that you convene the Twelfth Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission for the purpose of selecting and submitting to the Governor the names of highly qualified lawyers for appointment to the Twelfth Judicial Circuit Court. This appointment is to fill the vacancy created by the August 31, 2015 departure of Judge Lee E. Haworth, who will have met the eligibility requirements outlined by Article V, Section 8 of the Florida Constitution. The Governor strongly prefers submission of the maximum number of nominees (six) for each vacancy.

Please disregard the deadline described in my earlier correspondence of April 14, 2015. The Commission's deadline for completion of its work is Monday, June 15, 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 Commission'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) 717-9310.

Sincerely.

Timothy M. Cerio

General Counsel

The Honorable Andrew D. Owenscc: Chief Judge