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Ms. Christine Hernandez-Baldwin Chair- Judicial Nominating Commission Eleventh Judicial Circuit 1350 NW 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue Miami, Florida 33136

Dear Ms. Hernandez-Baldwin:

Governor Scott has directed me to request that you convene the Eleventh Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission for the purpose of selecting and submitting to the Governor the names of highly qualified lawyers for appointment to the Eleventh Judicial Circuit Court. This appointment is to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Judge Victoria S. Sigler. The Governor strongly prefers submission of the maximum number of nominees (six) for each vacancy.

The Commission's deadline for completion of this undertaking is **Tuesday**, **July 14**, **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. (2014). This includes all essential administrative needs such as document distribution, public announcements and the like. JNC Coordinator Laura Dane (850-717-9313; <u>Laura.Dane@eog.myflorida.com</u>) 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

ce: The Honorable Bertila Soto

Chief Judge