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**SENT VIA FED EX AND VIA EMAIL**

William N. Spicola, General Counsel  
Executive Office Governor Rick Scott  
**Attn: Laura Bax/Stephanie Nieset**  
The Capital  
400 S. Monroe Street, Room, 209  
Tallahassee, FL 32399

Re: Ninth Judicial Circuit  
Judicial Nominating Commission  
Nominees for Consideration

Dear Mr. Spicola

The Ninth Judicial Circuit Nominating Commission met on February 2, 2017, for purposes of interviewing and nominating candidates for appointment by the Governor to fill the vacancy resulting from the passing of the Honorable Scott Polodna.

The Commission nominates the following candidates:

Linda Burdick  
Thomas Sommerville  
Thomas Tukdarian  
Tanya Wilson

Enclosed with this letter, please find the original applications for each of our nominees. In addition, I have enclosed the FDLE "Background Inquiry Response" for each of the nominees. The Supervisors of Elections for Orange, Osceola and Seminole counties have certified that each of the nominees is a registered voter and that each resides respectively in Orange, Osceola and Seminole County, Florida. I have enclosed a copy of the correspondence from each office regarding the residency of the applicants.

Additionally, enclosed is correspondence from Michael L. Schneider, Executive Director and General Counsel of the Judicial Qualifications Commission indicating no prior or pending complaints or disciplinary actions against either of the presiding judicial applicants.

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Also enclosed please find an e-mail from Kenia Escobar, Public Information Coordinator of The Florida Bar indicating no prior or pending complaints or disciplinary actions of the nominees.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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