# 19TH CIRCUIT JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION ANNOUNCES JUDICIAL VACANCY

#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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The 19th Judicial Nominating Commission has been asked to provide Governor Rick Scott with nominees for a vacancy in the St. Lucie County Court.

All persons interested in applying must deliver a complete application to each member of the Judicial Nominating Commission at the respective addresses noted below. Additionally, one electronic redacted\* PDF copy of the complete application on a CD or USB thumb drive should be delivered to:

David B. Earle, Chair 19th Judicial Nominating Commission c/o Ross Earle Bonan & Ensor, PA 789 SW Federal Highway, Suite 101 Stuart, Florida 34994

The deadline for submitting an application is Friday, October 2, 2015 by 5:00 p.m. Applications submitted after the deadline will not be considered. Applications may be downloaded from The Florida Bar's website. The inclusion of a recent photograph is encouraged. Please do not submit three-ring binders. All applicants must have been members of the Florida Bar for the preceding five (5) years, must be registered to vote in the State of Florida and must reside in Okeechobee, Martin, St. Lucie or Indian River County at the time the successful applicant is sworn into office. \*Any material redacted by the applicant must be limited to exempt or confidential information pursuant to Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, Florida's Public Records Law. In order to assist the Judicial Nominating Commission in its review of applications, all questions in the application must be fully and completely answered. In addition, applications should include current and accurate contact information for judges, co-counsel, opposing counsel and references where requested as those individuals will be contacted. If there is requested information missing from an application, the Judicial Nominating Commission will consider the applicant's lack of effort in submitting a complete application.

### \*\* COURTESY NOTICE \*\*

Potential applicants are advised that the Commission at present intends to hold interviews on **Monday, October 19, 2015**. Applicants receiving interviews will be separately notified of the exact date, time, and location of the interview. Separate public notice shall be provided when the interview schedule is set. Members of the bench, the Bar and the public are urged to contact the members of the Commission concerning applicants for judicial positions. The members are:

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The next 19<sup>th</sup> Circuit JNC meeting is set for **October 7, 2015** at **5:30 p.m.** at Ross Earle Bonan & Ensor, PA, 789 SW Federal Highway, Suite 101, Stuart, Florida 34994. At that time, the Committee investigative process will be further discussed.