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April 15, 2019

Mr. Patrick Kilbane
Chair –Fourth Circuit
Judicial Nominating Commission
1540 The Greens Way
Jacksonville, Beach, Florida 32250

Dear Mr. Kilbane:

Governor DeSantis has directed me to request that you convene the Fourth Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission for the purpose of selecting and submitting to the Governor the names of highly qualified lawyers for appointment to the Duval County Court. This appointment is to fill the vacancy created by the elevation of **County Judge Meredith Charbula**. Governor strongly prefers submission of the maximum number of nominees (six) for the vacancy.

The Commission's deadline for completion of this undertaking is **Wednesday, May 15, 2019**. In cases where a discretionary extension of no more than thirty days is needed, as authorized by Article V, Section 11(c) of the Florida Constitution, please contact me.

Administrative support for the Commission will be provided by the Governor's Office, pursuant to section 43.291(7), Florida Statutes. This includes all essential administrative needs such as document distribution, public announcements and the like. Our JNC Coordinator Erin Kraeft (850-717-9310; Erin.Kraeft@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,



Joe Jacquot
General Counsel

cc: The Honorable Mark Mahon
Chief Judge