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July 31, 2017

Mr. Andrew J. Mayts, Jr. Chair-Thirteenth Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission 401 East Jackson Street, Suite 2700 Tampa, Florida 33602

Dear Mr. Mayts:

Governor Scott has directed me to request that you convene the Thirteenth Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission for the purpose of selecting and submitting to the Governor the names of highly qualified lawyers for appointment to the **Hillsborough County Court**. This appointment is to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Judge Daniel L. Perry. The Governor strongly prefers submission of the maximum number of nominees (six) for the vacancy.

The Commission's deadline for completion of this undertaking is **Friday**, **September 29**, **2017.** 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, pursuant to section 43.291(7), Florida Statutes. This includes all essential administrative needs such as document distribution, public announcements and the like. JNC Coordinator Stephanie Nieset (850-717-9310; Stephanie.Nieset@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

Daniel E. Nordby General Counsel

The Honorable Ronald N. Ficarrotta

Chief Judge

cc: