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Mr. Christopher Greene  
Chair- Seventh Circuit  
Judicial Nominating Commission  
1548 Lancaster Terrace  
Jacksonville, FL 32204

Dear Mr. Greene:

Governor Scott has directed me to request that you convene the Seventh Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission for the purpose of selecting and submitting to the Governor the names of highly qualified lawyers for appointment to the Seventh Judicial Circuit Court. This appointment is to fill the vacancy created by the appointment of Judge Carlos E. Mendoza to the federal bench. The Governor strongly prefers submission of the maximum number of nominees (six) for this vacancy.

The Commission's deadline for completion of this undertaking is **Monday, September 29, 2014**. 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. (2012). This includes all essential administrative needs such as document distribution, public announcements and the like. JNC Coordinator Laura Bax (850-717-9313; [Laura.Bax@eog.myflorida.com](mailto:Laura.Bax@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,

Peter Antonacci  
General Counsel

cc: Terence R. Perkins  
Chief Judge