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Mr. Russell Kirshy
Chair-Twentieth Circuit
Judicial Nominating Commission
3841 Tamiami Trail
Port Charlotte, FL 33952

Dear Mr. Kirshy:

Congratulations on your election as Chair of the Twentieth Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission. To join you in the work of the Commission, Governor Scott made the following three appointments to the Twentieth Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission vacancies: Amira Dajani Fox, Aaron A. Haak, and Bernard Long, Jr.

Governor Scott has directed me to request that you convene the Twentieth Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission for the purpose of selecting and submitting to the Governor the names of highly qualified lawyers for consideration and appointment to the Twentieth Judicial Circuit Court and the Hendry County Court. These appointments are to fill the vacancies created by the resignation of Judge Mark Steinbeck and the appointment of Judge James D. Sloan to the Circuit Court. The Governor strongly prefers submission of the maximum number of nominees (six) for each vacancy.

The Commission's deadline for completion of this undertaking is **Friday, September 26, 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) will contact you to these ends.

The Commissioner'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: Jay Rosman
Chief Judge