Eight Judicial Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission

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October 2, 2013

The Honorable Rick Scott
Attention: Laura Bax
The Capitol
400 S. Monroe Street, Room 209
Tallahassee, Florida 32399

Via Email:

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RE:

Nominees for Appointment to County Court Judgeship Vacancy Bradford County, Florida

Dear Governor Scott:

The Eighth Judicial Nominating Commission conducted interviews of nine applicants who had applied to fill the vacancy created by the Death of Judge Johnny Hobbs. Following the interviews, the commission met in executive session to discuss the applicants and make final recommendations for your selection. The commission believes that we have provided you with five highly qualified nominees for this position. The nominees are ranked in alphabetical order and not in order of preference:

- Bessinger, Mel
- Cooper, Johnie Steven
- Davis, Richard B., Jr.
- · Samargya, Milan "Bo"
- Sikes, Charles Daniel

Commission member Mr. Emery Gainey will hand deliver the original applications to your office on Friday.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

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