SECOND CIRCUIT JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION ANNOUNCES ADDITIONAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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As a result of the elevation of Judge Robert Long, Jr., to the First District Court of Appeal, there is a vacancy on the Second Circuit Court bench. Additionally, due to the elevation of Judge Layne Smith to the Second Circuit Court, there is a vacancy on the Leon County Court bench.

Gov. Ron DeSantis has the extended the deadline for the Second Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission to provide him with highly qualified nominees to **August 17, 2020**. Accordingly, the JNC will conduct an additional organization meeting to select a new application submission deadline and interview date(s), and to schedule a conference call to review the list of applicants and assign vetting. The previously announced application submission deadline, interview date, and conference call can be disregarded.

The JNC will conduct the additional organizational meeting at **11:00 a.m.** on **Friday, July 3, 2020**, telephonically at 1-866-398-2885, Participant Passcode 132494. Members of the public are invited to attend.

AGENDA:

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Discuss organizational matters
- 3. Adjourn

The members of the Second Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission include the following: Hayden R. Dempsey, Chair, Matthew J. Carson, Vice-Chair, Kristina R. Osterhaus, Darrick D. McGhee, Brian Newman, Dan Russell, Erik Matthew Figlio, Robert Neil Clarke, Jr, and Stuart F. Williams.

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