

For Immediate Release

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**FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION
ANNOUNCES DUVAL COUNTY COURT VACANCY AND INTERVIEW DATE**

As a result of the appointment of The Honorable Meredith Charbula to the Fourth Judicial Circuit Bench, there is a vacancy on the Duval County Court Bench. Governor Ron DeSantis has asked the Fourth Judicial Circuit Nominating Commission to provide him with highly qualified nominees for this vacancy.

Complete unredacted and redacted applications (see below for more information) for this vacancy must be received **before** 5:00 p.m. on **Monday, April 29, 2019** via e-mail to: pkilbane@ullmannbrown.com. *The commission no longer requires a paper copy of the application.*

Applications may be downloaded from the Florida Bar's website at www.floridabar.org or the Office of the Governor at www.flgov.com.

Interviews will be held on **Wednesday, May 8, 2019** in Chief Judge Mark Mahon's Chambers on the 7th floor of the Duval County Courthouse.

Neither incomplete applications nor applications submitted after the deadline will be considered. Further, all applicants must meet the qualifications for Circuit Court Judges outlined in Article V, Section 8 of the Florida Constitution.

Personal information not subject to public disclosure should be redacted on a separate copy of the application as permitted by Section 119.071 of the Florida Statutes. Please also e-mail a digital photo with the applications. To assist the commission, all questions on the application must be fully and completely answered. Applications must include current contact information (especially direct phone numbers), including e-mail addresses for judges, co-counsel, opposing counsel, and references to facilitate the background investigation that will be conducted by the members of the Commission.

All proceedings of this Judicial Nominating Commission are open to the public except for deliberations. Accordingly, applicants should not expect their application to be kept confidential.

If an applicant is nominated, all materials attached to the original application will be submitted to Governor DeSantis's Office.

If there are any questions about the application process, please contact Patrick J. Kilbane at the number above. *Applicants shall not initiate contact with the Commissioners until the nominees are submitted to Governor DeSantis unless questions pertain to the application process only.*