SEVENTEENTH CIRCUIT JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION CIRCUIT AND COUNTY COURT JUDGE VACANCIES *AMENDED TO INCLUDE BOTH CIRCUIT AND COUNTY COURT SEATS*

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Seventeenth Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission

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FORT LAUDERDALE – The Seventeenth Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission has been asked to provide Governor Ron DeSantis with nominees for the vacancies in both the Broward Circuit and County Court created by the resignation of Circuit Court Judge Mily Rodriguez Powell and the elevation of County Court Judge Natasha DePrimo.

The Commission requests that interested candidates submit an application for consideration. Applicants must meet the qualifications for a circuit or county court judge described in Article V, Section 8 of the Florida Constitution. Please indicate whether you are applying to one or both vacancies.

Applications must be received by 12:00 pm on February 9, 2022, as follows:

The "Judicial Appointment Application 2021" may be downloaded in pdf and word format at: https://www.flgov.com/judicial-and-judicial-nominating-commission-information/.

- (1): The **original unredacted** application shall be emailed in .pdf format to: joseph@vandebogartlaw.com.
- (2): A redacted .pdf of the application shall be emailed to <u>assistant@vandebogartlaw.com</u>. Personal information not subject to public disclosure—such as a social security number—shall be redacted as permitted by Section 119.071 of the Florida Statutes.

Untimely applications will not be considered. The filename for .pdf applications should be as follows: "FIRSTNAME LASTNAME Application (redacted/unredacted)." Applicants are asked to strictly follow all requests and instructions in this notice. <u>Failure to do so could result in an application not being considered.</u>

NOTE TO APPLICANTS: To assist the Judicial Nominating Commission in its review of applications, all questions must be fully and completely answered. Applications must include current contact information, <u>including e-mail addresses</u>, for judges, co-counsel, opposing counsel, and references to facilitate the background investigation that will be conducted by the members of the Commission. Please print to .pdf in lieu of scanning where possible.

Include all letters of recommendation that the applicant wishes the Commission to consider. The letters shall be attachments to the original application and the redacted copy and shall be included with the application saved in the .pdf file. Any additional information that the applicant feels may be helpful to the Commission in assessing the applicant's qualifications shall be included as attachments to both the original application and redacted copy saved in the .pdf file.

The Commission strongly suggests that applications be submitted as soon as they are prepared and well before the deadline. Applicants granted an interview will be scheduled in the order in which applications are received.

After the deadline for submitting applications, the Commission will determine which applicants will be interviewed. At this time, it is anticipated that interviews will be conducted in person on February 17, 2022, although this date is subject to change.

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