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Mr. Tara L. Tedrow Chair – Ninth Judicial Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission Post Office Box 2809 Orlando, Florida 32802

Dear Ms. Tedrow:

On behalf of Governor DeSantis, I am requesting that you convene the Ninth Judicial Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission for the purpose of selecting and submitting to the Governor the names of highly qualified lawyers for appointment to the Ninth Judicial Circuit Court. This appointment is to fill the vacancy created by the elevation of Judge Dan Traver to the Fifth District Court of Appeal. The Governor strongly prefers submission of the maximum number of nominees (six) for the vacancy.

The Commission's deadline for completion of this undertaking is **Monday, December 23, 2019.** This includes a discretionary extension as authorized by Article V, Section 11(c) of the Florida Constitution.

Administrative support for the Commission will be provided by the Governor's Office, pursuant to section 43.291(7), Florida Statutes. This includes all essential administrative needs such as document distribution, public announcements and the like. Our JNC Coordinator Erin Kraeft (850-717-9310; Erin.Kraeft@eog.myflorida.com) will contact you to these ends.

The Commission's handling of this matter is most appreciated.

Sincerely.

Loe Jacquot

General Counsel

cc: The Honorable Frederick Lauten

Chief Judge