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Mr. Gilbert Singer
Chair – Thirteenth Circuit
Judicial Nominating Commission
5104 South West Shore Boulevard
Tampa, Florida 33611

Dear Mr. Singer:

Governor Scott has directed me to request that you convene the Thirteenth Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission for the purpose of selecting and submitting to the Governor the names of highly qualified lawyers for appointment to the Hillsborough County Court. This appointment is to fill the vacancy created by the elevation of **County Judge Lawrence Lefler**. 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 **Friday, February 15, 2019**. The deadline is final as it includes the discretionary 30-day extension 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. JNC Coordinator Erin Kraeft (850-717-9310; Erin.Kraeft@eog.myflorida.com) will contact you to these ends.

The Commission's expeditious handling of this matter is most appreciated. If I may be of assistance to you or the members of the Commission, please call me at (850) 717-9310.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Daniel Nordby".

Daniel E. Nordby
General Counsel

cc: The Honorable Ronald Ficarrotta
Chief Judge