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Mr. Gregory Schwinghammer
Chair – Fifteenth Circuit
Judicial Nominating Commission
777 South Flagler Street, Suite 500
West Palm Beach, Florida 33401

Dear Mr. Schwinghammer:

On behalf of Governor DeSantis, I am requesting that you convene the Fifteenth Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission for the purpose of selecting and submitting to the Governor the names of highly qualified lawyers for appointment to the Palm Beach County Court. This appointment is to fill the vacancies created by the retirement of Judge Sheree Cunningham and elevation of Judge Caroline Shepherd to the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit Court. The Governor strongly prefers submission of the maximum number of nominees (twelve) for the vacancies.

The Commission's deadline for completion of this undertaking is **Monday, November 4, 2019**. In cases where a discretionary extension of no more than thirty days is needed, as authorized by Article V, Section 11(c) of the Florida Constitution, please contact me.

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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Joe Jacquot".

Joe Jacquot
General Counsel

cc: The Honorable Krista Marx
Chief Judge