

STATE OF FLORIDA

## Office of the Governor

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October 31, 2024

Mr. Nicholas Zbrzezni

Dear Mr. Zbrzeznj:

On behalf of Governor DeSantis, I am requesting that you convene the Tenth 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 Tenth Judicial Circuit Court. This appointment is to fill the vacancy created by the retirement of Judge Durden. 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 **Sunday**, **December 15**, **2024.** In cases where a discretionary extension of no more than fifteen 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 Director of Judicial Appointments, Meredith Pardo (850-717-9448; Meredith.Pardo@eog.myflorida.com) will contact you to these ends.

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

Ryan Newman General Counsel

cc: The Honorable James A. Yancey Chief Judge