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August 23, 2021

Mr. Gordon G. Oldham IV Chair – Sixth Judicial Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission 4970 Park Blvd. N Pinellas Park, FL 33781

Dear Mr. Oldham:

On behalf of Governor DeSantis, I am requesting that you convene the Sixth 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 Pinellas County Court. This appointment is to fill the new vacancy created by the resignation of Judge McNary, effective September 24, 2021. The Governor strongly prefers submission of the maximum number of nominees (six) for each vacancy.

The Commission's deadline for completion of this undertaking is **Wednesday**, **September 22**, **2021**. 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 Annie Ortega (850-717-9448; Annie.Ortega@eog.myflorida.com) will contact you to these ends.

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

Sincerely

James Uthmeier

General Counsel

cc: The Honorable Anthony Rondolino Chief Judge