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Ms. Lydia Zbrzeznj Chair – Tenth Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission 99 6th St SW Winter Haven, FL 33880-7900

Dear Ms. Zbrzeznj:

On behalf of Governor DeSantis, I am requesting that you convene the Tenth 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 Circuit Court. This appointment is to fill the vacancy created by the retirement of Judge Steven L. Selph. 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**, **April 11**, **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 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,

James Uthmele

Chief Deputy General Counsel

cc:

The Honorable Ellen S. Masters

Chief Judge