

**EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
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May 13, 2021

**VIA E-MAIL**

Mr. James Uthmeier  
General Counsel  
Office of the Governor  
The Capitol  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399

Dear Mr. Uthmeier :

The Eighteenth Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission completed its work today to interview applicants for the vacancy created by the retirement of Circuit Judge Debra Steinberg Nelson to the Circuit Court.

The Commission nominates the following applicants to Governor DeSantis:

Bryanna Bynum  
Jill Kelso  
Mary Ann Nardi  
William Orth  
Christopher Sprysenki  
Rebekah Taylor

As required, these nominees are listed in alphabetical order and the list does not indicate any preference by the commissioners. We will advise the nominees that they will hear from your office for the next steps in the process.

I will forward the original unredacted applications of these nominees immediately. The unredacted applications of all applicants will follow shortly.

This concludes the current assignment of this Commission. On behalf of the Commission, thank you for the opportunity to serve the people of the State of Florida and the citizens of the Eighteenth Judicial Circuit.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Daniel J. Gerber", written in a cursive style.

Daniel J. Gerber