JULY 16, 2013

IMPORTANT NOTICE FROM THE FLORIDA FEDERAL JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION ADVISING OF ADDITIONAL U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE VACANCIES AND ADVISING OF CHANGES IN APPLICATION DEADLINE AND INTERVIEW DATES FOR U.S. DISTRICT JUDGES AND U.S. ATTORNEY

FLORIDA FEDERAL JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION NOTICE RELATING TO APPLICATIONS FOR U.S. DISTRICT JUDGES, SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA, U.S. DISTRICT JUDGES, MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA AND U.S. ATTORNEY, MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

This Notice will supersede the previous Notice dated June 27, 2013 relating to applications for U.S. District Judge, Southern District of Florida, U.S. District Judge, Middle District of Florida and U.S. Attorney, Middle District of Florida.

Senator Bill Nelson and Senator Marco Rubio have requested that the Florida Federal Judicial Nominating Commission consider applications for two additional U.S. District Judges in Florida and therefore the previous application deadline and interview dates have been changed.

Pursuant to the instructions set forth in the attached letter from Senator Nelson and Senator Rubio, dated July 15, 2013, the Florida Federal Judicial Nominating Commission is now accepting applications for the following positions:

- U.S. District Judge, Southern District of Florida (two vacancies)
- U.S. District Judge, Middle District of Florida (two vacancies)
- U.S. Attorney, Middle District of Florida

The revised Rules of Procedure for the Judicial Nominating Commission, dated April 11, 2011, application forms for 2013-2015 with incorporated instructions, and the names and addresses of the members of the Commission, dated June 24, 2013 are available at the following websites: 1) The Florida Bar (www.floridabar.org), 2) U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Florida (www.flnd.uscourts.gov), 3) U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Florida (www.flmd.uscourts.gov), and 4) U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida (www.flsd.uscourts.gov). In addition, these materials may also be obtained from the Commission's Statewide Chair, John M. Fitzgibbons, The Law Offices of John M. Fitzgibbons, 707 North Franklin Street, Suite 700, Tampa, Florida 33602, Telephone: (813) 221-8800.

Completed applications must be received by the Commission's Statewide Chair and each Commission member in the manner specified by the Rules of Procedure by 5:00 p.m., Monday, August 19, 2013. All applicants should note a change which has been made in the manner by which members of the Commission receive applications. The original, signed application must be provided to the Statewide Chair by the application deadline date but all Commission members are now to be served electronically at their email addresses. There is a strict 40-page limit for the application and all enclosures. The application must be submitted in pdf format. If an application has already been submitted pursuant to the previous Notice dated June 27, 2013, it is not necessary to resubmit the application.

Applicants for U.S. Attorney, Middle District of Florida, who are selected by the Commission for personal interviews will be interviewed on Monday, September 9, 2013 at the Ceremonial Courtroom 3A, George C. Young U.S. Courthouse, 401 West Central Boulevard, Orlando, Florida.

Applicants for U.S. District Judge, Middle District of Florida, who are selected by the Commission for personal interviews will be interviewed on Tuesday, September 10, 2013 at the Ceremonial Courtroom 3A, George C. Young U.S. Courthouse, 401 West Central Boulevard, Orlando, Florida.

Applicants for U.S. District Judge, Southern District of Florida who are selected by the Commission for personal interviews will be interviewed on Tuesday, September 17, 2013, at the Judge's Conference Room, 14th Floor, Wilkie D. Ferguson, Jr. U.S. Courthouse, 400 North Miami Avenue, Miami, Florida.

The names of the applicants who are selected for personal interviews with the Commission, as well as the interview times, will be published on each website by August 29, 2013.

DATED: July 16, 2013

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Florida Federal Judicial Nominating Commission

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July 15, 2013

John M. Fitzgibbons, Esq.
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Dear John:

The President of the United States selects nominees to the federal judiciary when there is a vacancy. The selection of U.S. Attorneys and U.S. Marshals is also made by the President, and they serve at the President's pleasure. It is customary for the President to consult with members of the United States Senate from the State in question before nominating individuals to serve in these positions.

Based on recently announced vacancies, we are modifying our June 7, 2013 request. Therefore, we are revising the dates established for applications and final submissions to reflect these changes. This letter replaces and supersedes our letter dated June 7, 2013.

The President has requested that Senators recommend potential judicial nominees to fill federal district court vacancies in Florida and one U.S. Attorney vacancy. He has asked us to provide these names as soon as possible.

At this time, therefore, we ask that the Florida Federal Judicial Nominating Commission ("Commission") undertake its selection process, invite applications and identify finalists for the following positions:

- U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of Florida (two vacancies, one vacancy created by the senior status of Judge Patricia Seitz and one anticipated vacancy created by the upcoming senior status of Judge Donald Graham on December 15, 2013)

- U.S. District Judge for the Middle District of Florida (two vacancies, one vacancy created by the senior status of Judge John Antoon and one anticipated vacancy created by the upcoming senior status of Judge James Moody, Jr. on March 14, 2014)

- U.S. Attorney for the Middle District of Florida (one vacancy created by the resignation of U.S. Attorney Bobby O'Neill)

For the two judicial vacancies in the Southern District of Florida, please provide us with the names of four finalists and for the two judicial vacancies in the Middle District of Florida, please

provide us with the names of four finalists. For the U.S. Attorney's vacancy in the Middle District of Florida, please provide us with the names of three finalists.

For each of these vacancies, we ask that you provide the names of the finalists who are duly selected through the process provided for by the Commission Rules by October 14, 2013. We look forward to receiving your recommendations.

Sincerely,

Bill Nelson

BILL NELSON

MARCO RUBIO