FLORIDA FEDERAL JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION NOTICE RELATING TO APPLICATIONS FOR U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE, SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

Pursuant to the instructions set forth in the attached letter from Senator Bill Nelson and Senator Marco Rubio, dated May 23, 2014, the Florida Federal Judicial Nominating Commission is now accepting applications for the following position:

- U.S. District Judge, Southern 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 (revised May 13, 2014) 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., Wednesday, July 30, 2014. 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.

Applicants who are selected by the Commission for personal interviews will be interviewed on Thursday, September 4, 2014, 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 22, 2014.

DATED: June 11, 2014

John M. Fitzgibbons
Statewide Chair
Florida Federal Judicial Nominating Commission

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May 23, 2014

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.

The President has requested that Senators recommend potential judicial nominees to fill a federal district court vacancy in Florida. 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 position:

- U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of Florida (one vacancy created by the elevation of Judge Robin Rosenbaum to the Eleventh Circuit)

For the judicial vacancy in the Southern District of Florida, please provide us with the names of three finalists.

We ask that you provide the names of the finalists who are duly selected through the process provided for by the Commission Rules by September 8, 2014. We look forward to receiving your recommendations.

Sincerely,

Bill Nelson
BILL NELSON

MARCO RUBIO