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The Public Hearings for the Judicial Merit Selection Commission have been scheduled to begin Monday, April 25, 2016, with the hearings commencing at 9 a.m. regarding the qualifications of the following candidates for judicial positions:

Supreme Court **Chief Justice**

The Honorable Donald Wayne Beatty, Spartanburg, SC

Seat 2

The Honorable John Cannon Few, Greenville, SC

Court of Appeals **Chief Judge, Seat 5**

The Honorable James Edward Lockemy, Dillon, SC
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Family Court **13th Judicial Circuit, Seat 3**

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The Honorable Kenneth G. Southerlin, Jr., Greer, SC
Katherine Hall Tiffany, Greenville, SC

13th Judicial Circuit, Seat 4

James Crayton Alexander, Marietta, SC
Karen Sanchez Roper, Pickens, SC

Persons desiring to testify at public hearings shall furnish written notarized statements of proposed testimony, in accordance with the Procedural Rules of the Judicial Merit Selection Commission. These statements must be received by **Noon, Friday, April 8, 2016**. The Commission has witness affidavit forms that may be used for proposed testimony. While this form is not mandatory, it will be supplied on request. Statements should be mailed or delivered to the Judicial Merit Selection Commission as follows:

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All testimony, including documents furnished to the Commission, must be submitted under oath. Persons knowingly giving false information, either orally or in writing, shall be subject to penalty.

For further information about the Judicial Merit Selection Commission and the judicial screening process, you may access the website at www.scstatehouse.gov/html-pages/judmerit.html.

Questions concerning the hearing and procedures should be directed to the Commission at (803) 212-6623.