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M E D I A R E L E A S E

Public Hearings have been scheduled to begin Monday, April 18 through Wednesday, April 20, 2011, commencing at 9 a.m. regarding the qualifications of the following candidates for judicial positions:

**Family Court**

**4th Circuit, Seat 2 Bryan W. Braddock,** Hartsville, S.C.

**4th Circuit, Seat 2 The Honorable Cely Anne Baker Brigman**, Darlington, S.C.

**4th Circuit, Seat 2 John McIver “Jay” Ervin III**, Darlington, S.C.

**4th Circuit, Seat 2 The Honorable Salley Huggins McIntyre**, Dillon, S.C.

**4th Circuit, Seat 2 James Alexander “Alex” Stanton IV**, Hartsville, S.C.

**13th Circuit, Seat 3 Catherine Carr Christophillis,** Greenville, S.C.

**13th Circuit, Seat 3 Harry L. “Don” Phillips, Jr.,** Greenville, S.C.

**13th Circuit, Seat 3 Thomas J. Quinn**, Greenville, S.C

**13th Circuit, Seat 3 The Honorable Michael D. Stokes,** Taylors, S.C.

**14th Circuit, Seat 3 The Honorable Catherine D. Badgett,** Ridgeland, S.C.

**14th Circuit, Seat 3 Sally G. Calhoun**, Beaufort, S.C.- **withdrew March 31, 2011**

**14th Circuit, Seat 3 Diane P. DeWitt,** Beaufort, S.C.

**14th Circuit, Seat 3 Deborah Ann Malphrus,** Ridgeland, S.C.

**Master-in-Equity**

**Aiken County Maurice A. Griffith,** Aiken, S.C.

**Dorchester County Paul B. Ferrara III,** North Charleston, S.C.

**Dorchester County The Honorable Maité Murphy,** Summerville, S.C.

**Dorchester County William Henry Sloan, Jr.** Summerville, S.C.

Persons desiring to testify at public hearings shall furnish written notarized statements of proposed testimony. These statements must be received by **Noon, Monday, April 4, 2011**. 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:

Jane O. Shuler, Chief Counsel, 104 Gressette Building, Post Office Box 142, Columbia, South Carolina, 29202.

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](http://www.scstatehouse.gov/html-pages/judmerit.html).

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

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