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The Public Hearing for the Judicial Merit Selection Commission has been scheduled to begin Monday, April 28, 2014, with the hearing commencing at 9 a.m. regarding the qualifications of the following candidates for judicial positions:

Court of Appeals Seat 7 The Honorable Rochelle Y. Conits, Greer, SC Blake Alexander Hewitt, Conway, SC The Honorable David Garrison Hill, Greenville, SC The Honorable Stephanie Pendarvis McDonald, Charleston, SC The Honorable Carmen Tevis Mullen, Hilton Head Island, SC **Circuit Court** 10th Judicial Circuit, Seat 2 **R. Scott Sprouse,** Seneca, SC 16th Judicial Circuit, Seat 2 Daniel Dewitt Hall, York, SC William Angus McKinnon, Rock Hill, SC James Michael Morton, Rock Hill, SC Leah B. Moody, Rock Hill, SC Walter William "Willy" Thompson, Sr, Rock Hill, SC **Family Court** 11th Judicial Circuit, Seat 1 Sara McMahon Bunge, Lexington, SC Huntley Smith Crouch, Lexington, SC William Gregory Seigler, McCormick, SC Stephen R. Soltis, Jr., Columbia, SC (Resides in Lexington County) Rebecca Brown West, Lexington, SC

Persons desiring to testify at public hearings shall furnish written notarized statements of proposed testimony. These statements must be received by <u>Noon, Monday, April 14, 2014</u>. 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, SC, 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 <u>www.scstatehouse.gov/html-pages/judmerit.html</u>.

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