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The Judicial Merit Selection Commission is accepting applications for the judicial offices listed below:

A vacancy will exist in the office currently held by the Honorable Daniel F. Pieper, Judge of the Court of Appeals, Seat 7, upon Judge Pieper's retirement on or before July 1, 2014. The successor will fill the unexpired term of that office which will expire June 30, 2014, and the subsequent full term which will expire June 30, 2020.

A vacancy will exist in the office currently held by the Honorable Alexander S. Macaulay, Judge of the Circuit Court, Tenth Judicial Circuit, Seat 2, upon Judge Macaulay's retirement on or before December 31, 2014. The successor will fill the unexpired term of that office which will expire June 30, 2018.

A vacancy will exist in the office currently held by the Honorable Lee. S. Alford, Judge of the Circuit Court, Sixteenth Judicial Circuit, Seat 2, upon Judge Alford's retirement on or before December 31, 2014. The successor will fill the unexpired term of that office which will expire June 30, 2016.

A vacancy will exist in the office currently held by the Honorable Kellum W. Allen, Judge of the Family Court, Eleventh Judicial Circuit, Seat 1, upon Judge Allen's retirement on or before July 7, 2014. The successor will fill the unexpired term of that office which will expire June 30, 2016.

The term of office currently held by the Honorable Robert E. Watson, Master-in-Equity, Berkeley County, will expire November 7, 2014.

In order to receive application materials, a prospective candidate must notify the Commission in writing of his or her intent to apply. Correspondence and questions may be directed to the Judicial Merit Selection Commission as follows:

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The Commission will not accept applications after 12:00 noon on Monday March 10, 2014.

For further information about the Judicial Merit Selection Commission and the judicial screening process, you may access the website at http://www.scstatehouse.gov/JudicialMeritPage/JMSCMainPage.php.