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MEDIA RELEASE

August 21, 2012

Public Hearings have been scheduled to begin Monday, November 12 through Thursday, November 15, 2012, and continue the week of November 26 through November 29, 2012, with the hearings commencing at 9 a.m. regarding the qualifications of the following candidates for judicial positions:

Court of Appeals

Seat 3

The Honorable John D. Geathers, Ridgeway, S.C.

Seat 4

The Honorable Paula H. Thomas, Pawleys Island, S.C.

Circuit Court

5th Circuit, Seat 1

The Honorable DeAndrea Gist Benjamin, Columbia, S.C.

7th Circuit, Seat 1

The Honorable Joseph Derham Cole, Spartanburg, S.C.

9th Circuit, Seat 1

Thomas R. Goldstein, Charleston, S.C.

The Honorable Deadra L. Jefferson, Charleston, S.C.

10th Circuit, Seat 1

The Honorable Rivers Lawton McIntosh, Williamston, S.C.

At-Large, Seat 14

William Patrick Frick, Winnsboro, S.C.- **withdrew August 21, 2012**

Lucius Scott Harvin, Walterboro, S.C.

Jon René Josey, Florence, S.C.

R. Keith Kelly, Woodruff, S.C.

Mildred Rita Metts, Columbia, S.C.

David Warren Miller, Aiken, S.C.

Jared Sullivan Newman, Beaufort, S.C.

April Woodard Sampson, Irmo, S.C.

Clifford Scott, Columbia, S.C.

At-Large, Seat 15

Jerome P. Askins, III, Johnsonville, S.C.

The Honorable Marvin H. Dukes, III, Beaufort, S.C.

The Honorable Maité Murphy, North Charleston, S.C.

Curtis Anthony Pauling, III, Irmo, S.C.

The Honorable Bentley Douglas Price, Charleston, S.C.

Deborah B. Barbier, Columbia, S.C.

At-Large, Seat 16

The Honorable Tracey Lynn Carroll, Aiken, S.C.

Eric K. Englehardt, Greenville, S.C.

Joey Randell Floyd, Columbia, S.C.

Daniel Dewitt Hall, York, S.C.

The Honorable Donald Bruce Hocker, Laurens, S.C.

The Honorable Alex Kinlaw, Jr., Greenville, S.C.
Ervin Jerome Maye, West Columbia, S.C.
The Honorable John Reaves McLeod, Walterboro, S.C.
William Vickery Meetze, Marion, S.C.
Jocelyn Newman, Columbia, S.C.
Grady L. Patterson, III, Columbia, S.C.
Robert L. Reibold, Columbia, S.C.
Gregory Kenneth Voigt, Summerville, S.C.

Family Court

1st Circuit, Seat 1

2nd Circuit, Seat 2

3rd Circuit, Seat 2

3rd Circuit, Seat 3

5th Circuit, Seat 2

5th Circuit, Seat 3

6th Circuit, Seat 1

7th Circuit, Seat 1

7th Circuit, Seat 2

8th Circuit, Seat 1

9th Circuit, Seat 2

9th Circuit, Seat 4

10th Circuit, Seat 1

10th Circuit, Seat 3

11th Circuit, Seat 2

12th Circuit, Seat 1

12th Circuit, Seat 2

13th Circuit, Seat 1

13th Circuit, Seat 2

14th Circuit, Seat 1

15th Circuit, Seat 1

16th Circuit, Seat 2

At-Large, Seat 1

At-Large, Seat 2

At-Large, Seat 3

At-Large, Seat 4

The Honorable Ann Gué Jones, Orangeburg, S.C.
The Honorable A. Dale Moore Gable, Barnwell, S.C.
The Honorable Angela Renee Taylor, Sumter, S.C.
The Honorable Gordon B. Jenkinson, Kingstree, S.C.
The Honorable Michelle Manigault Hurley, Columbia, S.C.
Daniel Deeds Kienker, Blythewood, S.C.
Robert Marshall Paul Masella, Columbia, S.C.
The Honorable Dana A. Morris, Camden, S.C.
The Honorable Brian M. Gibbons, Chester, S.C.
The Honorable Phillip Kendall Sinclair, Spartanburg, S.C.
The Honorable James F. Fraley, Jr., Enoree, S.C.
The Honorable Joseph Wilson McGowan, III, Laurens, S.C.
The Honorable Paul Warren Garfinkel, Charleston, S.C.
The Honorable Wayne Morris Creech, Pinopolis, S.C.
The Honorable Edgar Henderson Long, Jr., Anderson, S.C.
The Honorable Tommy B. Edwards, Anderson, S.C.
The Honorable Deborah Neese, Saluda, S.C.
The Honorable Timothy Hick Pogue, Marion, S.C.
The Honorable A. Eugene “Gene” Morehead, III, Florence, S.C.
The Honorable Rochelle Y. Conits, Greer, S.C.
The Honorable William Marsh Robertson, Greenville, S.C.
The Honorable Gerald C. Smoak, Jr., Walterboro, S.C.
The Honorable Jan Benature Bromell Holmes, Georgetown, S.C.
The Honorable David Glenn Guyton, Rock Hill, S.C.
Rosalyn Woodson Frierson, Columbia, S.C.
Mary Jane Goodwin, Anderson, S.C.
Kelly Pope, Lyman, S.C.
Tony Miller Jones, Rock Hill, S.C.
Sean F. Keefer, Charleston, S.C.
Anthony Philip LaMantia, III, Charleston, S.C.
Samuel McGowan Price, Jr., Newberry, S.C.
William Gregory Seigler, McCormick, S.C.
Paul Frederick LeBarron, Charleston, S.C.
James G. McGee, III, Florence, S.C.
The Honorable Cely Anne Baker Brigman, Darlington, S.C.
Robert Allison Clark, Greenville, S.C.
Kimaka Nichols-Graham, Greenville, S.C.
The Honorable Erika L. McJimpsey, Moore, S.C.

At-Large, Seat 5

Monét S. Pincus, Columbia, S.C.
The Honorable Caroline Whitehead Streater, Columbia, S.C.
Katherine Joyce Hall Tiffany, Greenville, S.C.
Martha McCright Rivers Davisson, Williston, S.C.
Stevens Bultman Elliot, Columbia, S.C.
Melissa Johnson Emery, Myrtle Beach, S.C.
The Honorable Pandora Jones-Glover, Orangeburg, S.C.
Bernard F. Mack, Charleston, S.C.
Randall Edward McGee, St. Matthews, S.C.
Thomas Joseph Quinn, Greenville, S.C.
Mitzi Campbell Williams, Lexington, S.C.
Patricia Lynn Forbis, Columbia, S.C.
Thomas Tredway Hodges, Greenville, S.C.
Anne Louise Peterson-Hutto, Charleston, S.C.
David Earl Phillips, Easley, S.C.
Paul Daniel Schwartz, Johns Island, S.C.
Michael Todd Thigpen, Roebuck, S.C.

At-Large, Seat 6

Administrative Law Court

Seat 5

The Honorable Shirley Canty Robinson, Columbia, S.C.
Crystal Rookard, Columbia, S.C.- **withdrew August 14, 2012**

Master-in-Equity

Abbeville County

Aiken County

Kershaw County

Lee County

Orangeburg County

The Honorable Curtis G. Clark, Greenwood, S.C.
The Honorable Maurice Anderson Griffith, Aiken, S.C.
The Honorable Jeffrey M. Tzerman, Camden, S.C.
The Honorable Stephen Bryan Doby, Bishopville, S.C.
The Honorable Martin Rast Banks, Cayce, S.C.
James Benjamin “Jay” Jackson, Jr., Santee, S.C.

Retired

Circuit Court

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Family Court

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The Honorable J. Earnest Kinard, Jr., Camden, S.C.
The Honorable Julius C. “Buddy” Nicholson, Jr., Anderson, S.C.
The Honorable Georgia V. Anderson, Spartanburg, S.C.
The Honorable Robert S. Armstrong, Seabrook, S.C.
The Honorable Leslie Kirkland Riddle, Irmo, S.C.
The Honorable Henry T. Woods, Rock Hill, S.C.

Persons desiring to testify at public hearings shall furnish written notarized statements of proposed testimony. These statements must be received by **Noon, Tuesday, October 30, 2012.** 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.

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

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