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To All Counsel of Record

Re: In Re: Amendments to the Florida Rules of Civil Procedure, etc.
Case No. SC11-399

This is to inform you that Barry Richard of Greenberg Traurig LLP is acting as general counsel to the Committee of Responsible Persons for the merit retention campaigns of Justice Barbara J. Pariente, Justice R. Fred Lewis and Justice Peggy A. Quince. This information is provided to you pursuant to Canon 3(E) of the Code of Judicial Conduct and its commentary, which states:

> A judge should disclose on the record information that the judge believes the parties or their lawyers might consider relevant to the question of disqualification, even if the judge believes there is no real basis for disqualification. The fact that the judge conveys this information does not automatically require the judge to be disqualified upon a request by either party, but the issue should be resolved on a case-by-case basis.

The parties are further advised that any motion to disqualify any justice shall be filed with this Court on or before **August 20, 2012**, and failure to timely file said motion will be considered as consent to the justice's participation in the above referenced proceeding.

Most cordially,

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