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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA

STEVE PINCKET

Petitioner,

v. Case No. SC16 - _____

KEN DETZNER, as
Secretary of State of the State of Florida,

Respondent.
_____/

APPENDIX TO PETITION FOR WRIT OF MANDAMUS

A. Judge Shinholser's Resignation Letter

B. Governor Scott's Acceptance of the Resignation

C. Petitioner's Qualifying Papers

D. Petitioner's Check for the Qualifying Fee

E. Letter from Ms. Bronson Rejecting the Petitioner's Qualifying Documents

F. Judge Brownell Resignation Letter

G. Letter from Ms. Bronson Removing Elizabeth M. Boyle as a Candidate

H. Judge Will Resignation Letter

I. Screenshot Showing the Removal of Candidate Linda Gaustad

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was sent by email and U.S. Mail to Ken Detzner (SecretaryofState@DOS.MyFlorida.com),

R.A. Gray Building, 500 South Bronough Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399; and Office of the General Counsel (dos.generalcounsel@dos.myflorida.com), Florida Department of State, R.A. Gray Building, 500 S. Bronough Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399 this 5th day of May 2016.

PHILIP J. PADOVANO
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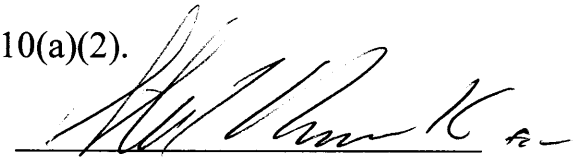
CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this petition complies with the font requirements of Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure 9.210(a)(2).



PHILIP J. PADOVANO
Florida Bar No. 157473

OLIN W. SHINHOLSER
JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
STATE OF FLORIDA, COUNTY OF HIGHLANDS

Highlands County Courthouse
430 S. Commerce Avenue, Room 333
Sebring, Florida 33870-3701

DANI FLOWERS
Judicial Assistant
(863) 402-6901

April 1, 2016

Governor Rick Scott
Office of the Governor
400 S. Monroe Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399

Subject: Retirement

Dear Governor Scott:

I have had the honor and privilege to serve the citizens of this state for the last 36 years and 3 months. I served as an assistant state attorney for 10 years. In January, 1990, I began serving as County Judge for Highlands County. I served in that role until September, 2002, when I was appointed to the Circuit bench wherein I have served until now.

I am formally announcing my retirement effective 11:59 PM on December 26, 2016. This date precedes the end of my term. It is my desire and request that my successor be appointed by you. While there are certainly debatable points as to the pros and cons of succession by appointment verses election, it is my belief based upon years of observation that the appointment process is superior to the election process in the judicial context.

Please formally accept my retirement as of the date indicated above.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Olin W. Shinholser,
Circuit Judge

Cc: The Honorable Jorge Labarga, Chief Justice of the Florida Supreme Court
The Honorable Don Jacobson, Chief Judge, Tenth Judicial Circuit
Ms. PK Jameson, Florida State Courts Administrator
Mr. Nick Sudzina, Court Administrator, Tenth Judicial Circuit
Florida Division of Retirement

RICK SCOTT
GOVERNOR

April 13, 2016

The Honorable Olin W. Shinholser
Highlands County Courthouse
430 S. Commerce Avenue
Rm. 333
Sebring, Florida 33870

Dear Judge Shinholser:

Allow me this opportunity to accept your resignation as Judge of the Tenth Judicial Circuit Court, effective December 26, 2016. More importantly, please accept this letter as an expression of gratitude for your service to all Floridians.

Yours has been a life and legal career devoted to public service. As you retire from the bench, I hope you look back on your accomplishments with pride, and that you leave the bench with the settled knowledge that you have served Florida well and faithfully, and that all Floridians are deeply grateful for your service.

On behalf of the State of Florida, thank you for your dedicated service. I wish you much happiness and every success in your retirement and in all your future endeavors.

Sincerely,

Rick Scott
Governor

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JUDICIAL OFFICE
CANDIDATE OATH

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OATH OF CANDIDATE (Section 105.031, Florida Statutes)

I, Steve Pincket
(PLEASE PRINT NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON THE BALLOT * – NAME MAY NOT BE CHANGED AFTER THE END OF QUALIFYING)

am a candidate for the judicial office of Circuit Judge (office), _____ (district #), 10th (circuit #), 6th (group #); my legal residence is Polk County, Florida; I am a qualified elector of the state and of the territorial jurisdiction of the court to which I seek election; I am qualified under the Constitution and the Laws of Florida to hold the judicial office to which I desire to be elected or in which I desire to be retained; I have qualified for no other public office in the state, the term of which office or any part thereof runs concurrent with the office I seek; and I have resigned from any office which I am required to resign pursuant to Section 99.012, Florida Statutes; and I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Florida.

Section 876.05, Florida Statutes, oath (only applicable if elected and when term of office begins): I, a citizen of the State of Florida and of the United States of America, and being employed by or an officer of the court system and a recipient of public funds as such employee or officer, do hereby solemnly swear or affirm that I will support the Constitution of the United States and of the State of Florida.

X _____ (863) 616-1515 steve@pincketlaw.com
Signature of Candidate **Telephone Number** **Email Address**

1240 East Lime Street	Lakeland	Florida	33801
Address	**City**	**State**	**ZIP Code**

Candidate's Florida Voter Registration Number (located on your voter information card): 113567747

* Please print name phonetically on the line below as you wish it to be pronounced on the audio ballot for persons with disabilities (*see* instructions on page 2 of this form):
Steve Pink it

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF Leon

Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me this 4th **day of** May, **20** 16.

Personally Known: _____ or

Produced Identification: ✓

Type of Identification Produced: FLDL

Katie M Taylor
Signature of Notary Public
Print, Type, or Stamp Commissioned Name of Notary Public

KATIE M. TAYLOR
Notary Public, State of Florida
Commission# FF 058688
My comm. expires Sept. 30, 2017

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FORM 6 — FULL AND PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF FINANCIAL INTERESTS — 2015

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Please print or type your name, mailing address, agency name, and position below:

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

LAST NAME — FIRST NAME — MIDDLE NAME: Pincket, Steve

MAILING ADDRESS: 1240 E Lime Street

CITY: Lakeland ZIP: 33801 COUNTY: Polk

NAME OF AGENCY:

NAME OF OFFICE OR POSITION HELD OR SOUGHT: Tenth Circuit Court Judge, Group 6

CHECK IF THIS IS A FILING BY A CANDIDATE ☐

PART A -- NET WORTH

Please enter the value of your net worth as of December 31, 2015 or a more current date. [Note: Net worth is not calculated by subtracting your *reported* liabilities from your *reported* assets, so please see the instructions on page 3.]

My net worth as of Dec. 31, 20 15 was $ 580,293.

PART B -- ASSETS

HOUSEHOLD GOODS AND PERSONAL EFFECTS:

Household goods and personal effects may be reported in a lump sum if their aggregate value exceeds $1,000. This category includes any of the following, if not held for investment purposes: jewelry; collections of stamps, guns, and numismatic items; art objects; household equipment and furnishings; clothing; other household items; and vehicles for personal use, whether owned or leased.

The aggregate value of my household goods and personal effects (described above) is $ 95,000

ASSETS INDIVIDUALLY VALUED AT OVER $1,000:

DESCRIPTION OF ASSET (specific description is required - see instructions p.4)	VALUE OF ASSET
Home/residence	$ 400,000
Office Building / Pincket Law Offices	$ 240,000
Rental Home / Lakeland FL	$ 162,500
Raymond James IRA	$ 53,255

PART C -- LIABILITIES

LIABILITIES IN EXCESS OF $1,000 (See instructions on page 4):

NAME AND ADDRESS OF CREDITOR	AMOUNT OF LIABILITY
Suntrust Mort. Baltimore MD	$ 130,462
Center State Bank Lakeland FL	$ 140,000
Center State Bank, " "	$ 100,000

JOINT AND SEVERAL LIABILITIES NOT REPORTED ABOVE:

NAME AND ADDRESS OF CREDITOR	AMOUNT OF LIABILITY

(Continued on reverse side)

PART D -- INCOME

Identify each separate source and amount of income which exceeded $1,000 during the year, including secondary sources of income. Or attach a complete copy of your 2015 federal income tax return, including all W2s, schedules, and attachments. Please redact any social security or account numbers before attaching your returns, as the law requires these documents be posted to the Commission's website.

☐ I elect to file a copy of my 2015 federal income tax return and all W2's, schedules, and attachments.
[If you check this box and attach a copy of your 2015 tax return, you need not complete the remainder of Part D.]

PRIMARY SOURCES OF INCOME (See instructions on page 5):

NAME OF SOURCE OF INCOME EXCEEDING $1,000	ADDRESS OF SOURCE OF INCOME	AMOUNT
Pinckert Law P.A.	1240 E Lime St. Lakeland FL	$90,000

SECONDARY SOURCES OF INCOME [Major customers, clients, etc., of businesses owned by reporting person--see instructions on page 5]:

NAME OF BUSINESS ENTITY	NAME OF MAJOR SOURCES OF BUSINESS' INCOME	ADDRESS OF SOURCE	PRINCIPAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY OF SOURCE

PART E -- INTERESTS IN SPECIFIED BUSINESSES [Instructions on page 6]

	BUSINESS ENTITY # 1	BUSINESS ENTITY # 2	BUSINESS ENTITY # 3
NAME OF BUSINESS ENTITY	Pinckert Law PA.		
ADDRESS OF BUSINESS ENTITY	1240 E. Lime St.		
PRINCIPAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY	Law Practice		
POSITION HELD WITH ENTITY	Owner		
I OWN MORE THAN A 5% INTEREST IN THE BUSINESS	100 %		
NATURE OF MY OWNERSHIP INTEREST			

PART F - TRAINING

For officers required to complete annual ethics training pursuant to section 112.3142, F.S.

☐ **I CERTIFY THAT I HAVE COMPLETED THE REQUIRED TRAINING.**

OATH

I, the person whose name appears at the beginning of this form, do depose on oath or affirmation and say that the information disclosed on this form and any attachments hereto is true, accurate, and complete.

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING OFFICIAL OR CANDIDATE

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF Leon

Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me this 4th day of May, 20 16 by Steve Pinckert.

Katie M Taylor
(Signature of Notary Public--State of Florida)

KATIE M. TAYLOR
Notary Public, State of Florida
Commission# FF 058688
My comm. expires Sept. 30, 2017

(Print, Type, or Stamp Commissioned Name of Notary Public)

Personally Known _____ *OR* Produced Identification ✓

Type of Identification Produced FL DL

If a certified public accountant licensed under Chapter 473, or attorney in good standing with the Florida Bar prepared this form for you, he or she must complete the following statement:

I, _____, prepared the CE Form 6 in accordance with Art. II, Sec. 8, Florida Constitution, Section 112.3144, Florida Statutes, and the instructions to the form. Upon my reasonable knowledge and belief, the disclosure herein is true and correct.

Signature _____ Date _____

Preparation of this form by a CPA or attorney does not relieve the filer of the responsibility to sign the form under oath.

IF ANY OF PARTS A THROUGH E ARE CONTINUED ON A SEPARATE SHEET, PLEASE CHECK HERE ☐

STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR JUDICIAL OFFICE

(Section 105.031(5), F.S.)

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a judicial candidate, have received, read, and understand the requirements of the Florida Code of Judicial Conduct.

(Signature of candidate)

May 4, 2016

(Date)

Each candidate for judicial office, including an incumbent judge, shall file a statement with the qualifying officer, within 10 days after filing the Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository.

STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE

(Section 106.023, F.S.)

(Please print or type)

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I, Steve Pincket,

candidate for the office of Circuit Judge, 10th Circuit, Group 6;

have been provided access to read and understand the requirements of Chapter 106, Florida Statutes.

X _____ May 4, 2016

Signature of Candidate — Date

Each candidate must file a statement with the qualifying officer within 10 days after the Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository is filed. Willful failure to file this form is a first degree misdemeanor and a civil violation of the Campaign Financing Act which may result in a fine of up to $1,000, (ss. 106.19(1)(c), 106.265(1), Florida Statutes).

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Campaign Account
Steve Pincket for
10th Circuit Judge, Group 6

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DATE May 4, 2016

PAY TO THE ORDER OF Secretary of State $5,843 20

Five thousand, eight hundred, forty-three 20/100 DOLLARS

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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT of STATE

RICK SCOTT
Governor

KEN DETZNER
Secretary of State

May 4, 2016

Steve Pincket
1240 East Lime Street
Lakeland, Florida 33801

Dear Mr. Pincket:

The Division is in receipt of your qualifying documents for Circuit Court Judge, Tenth Judicial Circuit, Group 6. The incumbent in that seat, Judge Olin Shinholser, submitted to Governor Scott a letter of resignation with an effective date prior to the expiration of Judge Shinholser's term. Governor Scott accepted that resignation before the beginning of the applicable statutory qualifying period. I have enclosed a copy of these documents for your convenience.

As a result, pursuant to article V, section 11(b), of the Florida Constitution, Governor Scott will fill by appointment the vacancy created by the judge's resignation, and the circuit judge seat for which you submitted qualifying documents no longer will be up for election during the 2016 election cycle. In order to qualify as a candidate for circuit court judge, you will need to submit qualifying documents for a different seat. If I do not receive such documents prior to noon on May 6, 2016, I will return your qualifying check.

Please let me know if you need additional information.

Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief
Bureau of Election Records

KRB/slb

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FLORIDA DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

Scott M. Brownell
CIRCUIT JUDGE
TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA
1051 MANATEE AVE. WEST
BRADENTON, FLORIDA 34205-7803

PHONE: (941) 749-3623
FAX: (941) 749-3673

VICKI SHAWVAN
JUDICIAL ASSISTANT

April 21st, 2016

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Governor's Legal Office

The Honorable Rick Scott
Governor of the State of Florida
The Capitol
400 South Monroe Street
Tallahassee, FL 32391-0001

Re: Judge of the Circuit Court, 12th Judicial Circuit, Group 4

Dear Governor Scott,

Please accept this correspondence as my resignation from the office of circuit judge, which I have held since January 6, 1987, to be effective at the close of business on December 28, 2016.

The term of my office will expire on January 2, 2017. It is my intention to resign from the office prior to the commencement of the statutory qualifying period which begins May 2, 2016, to create a vacancy in the seat between December 28, 2016 and January 2, 2017; which will permit you to fill the vacancy by appointment.

I know you will appoint someone who is well qualified, who will respect the dignity of the office and work tirelessly to serve the people of this Circuit and of the State of Florida.

It will be appreciated if you will confirm your acceptance of this resignation at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

Scott M. Brownell

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT *of* STATE

RICK SCOTT
Governor

KEN DETZNER
Secretary of State

April 27, 2016

Elizabeth M. Boyle (65775)
Post Office Box 3241
Sarsota, Florida 34230-3241

Dear Ms. Boyle:

The Division is in receipt of your qualifying documents for Circuit Court Judge, Twelfth Judicial Circuit, Group 4. The incumbent in that seat, Judge Scott M. Brownell, submitted to Governor Scott a letter of resignation with an effective date prior to the expiration of Judge Brownell's term. Governor Scott accepted that resignation before the beginning of the applicable statutory qualifying period. I have enclosed a copy of these documents for your convenience.

As a result, pursuant to article V, section 11(b), of the Florida Constitution, Governor Scott will fill by appointment the vacancy created by the judge's resignation, and the circuit judge seat for which you submitted qualifying documents no longer will be up for election during the 2016 election cycle. In order to qualify as a candidate for circuit court judge, you will need to submit qualifying documents for a different seat. If I do not receive such documents prior to noon on May 6, 2016, I will return your qualifying check.

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Sincerely,

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FLORIDA DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

STATE OF FLORIDA
SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Volusia County Justice Center
251 North Ridgewood Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida 32114
Phone: (386) 239-7791
Fax: (386) 239-7894

Joseph G. Will
Circuit Judge

Jamee Whited
Judicial Assistant

April 8, 2016

The Honorable Rick Scott
Governor of the State of Florida
The Capitol
400 South Monroe Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32391-0001

Re: Judge of the Circuit Court, 7th Judicial Circuit, Group 8

Dear Governor Scott:

Please accept this correspondence as my resignation of the office of circuit judge, which I have held since January 10, 1992, to be effective at the close of business on December 28, 2016.

The term of my office will expire on January 2, 2017. It is my intention to resign from the office prior to the commencement of the statutory qualifying period which begins May 2, 2016; to create a physical vacancy in the seat between December 28, 2016, and the start of the next term on January 2, 2107; and to permit you to fill the vacancy by appointment.

It has truly been my honor to serve the people of the State of Florida. I hope you will appoint someone who will love the work as much as I have, who will respect the dignity of the office, and who will make us both proud.

It will be appreciated if you will confirm your acceptance of the terms of my resignation at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

Joseph G. Will

JGW/jgw

cc: The Honorable Terrence R. Perkins
Mark Weinberg, Court Administrator
Christopher J, Greene, Esquire – 7th Circuit JNC
Office of General Counsel

Candidate Tracking System

2016 General Election

Circuit Judge

Circuit 7 Group 8

Linda L. Gaustad

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