

BEFORE THE JUDICIAL QUALIFICATIONS COMMISSION  
STATE OF FLORIDA

INQUIRY CONCERNING JUDGE,

SC19-1193

VEGINA T. HAWKINS, NO. 19-351.

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**ORDER SCHEDULING FINAL HEARING  
AND PREHEARING DEADLINES**

Following a status conference with counsel, the Final Hearing before the Florida Judicial Qualifications Commission (FJQC) Hearing Panel is scheduled to commence at 9:00 A.M., Thursday, February 13, 2020, at the Broward County Courthouse, located at 201 S.E. 6th Street, Fort Lauderdale, Florida at a courtroom to be announced. The members of the Hearing Panel are: (1) Hon. Kevin Emas, Esquire (Chair); (2) Hon. Jonathan D. Gerber (ad hoc); (3) John P. Cardillo, Esq. (ad hoc); (4) William Schifino, Esq.; (5) Harry Duncanson (lay member); and (6) Abigail MacIver (lay member).

1. On or before December 2, 2019, the parties shall exchange and file witness and exhibit lists.

2. The subject matter of each witness' testimony shall be listed. If there are objections to any exhibit or witness, a list of objections shall be filed by December 22, 2019 so that they may be ruled on by the Chair. Witness and exhibit lists may thereafter be supplemented only by further order.

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3. Discovery - All depositions and discovery shall be completed before the final status conference.

4. A final status conference before the Chair is hereby set for January 22, 2020 at 4:00 p.m., to address any outstanding motions or issues requiring resolution. The call in number is 1-888-585-9008, Access Conference Code: 600-228-117#.

5. Exhibit books - The parties shall jointly prepare exhibit books and provide 7 copies to Counsel for the Hearing Panel on or before February 13, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. The exhibit books shall include an index listing each exhibit.

6. Policy on limitation of character witnesses - Pursuant to the general policy of the Hearing Panel, the Respondent Judge is ordinarily limited to a total of three live character witnesses. By December 2, 2019, counsel shall submit any requests for modification of this policy, with objections, if any, due the following day. In addition to live character witnesses, affidavits and letters regarding character may be filed by the Respondent Judge for consideration by the Hearing Panel.

So ordered this 23rd day of October, 2019.

FLORIDA JUDICIAL QUALIFICATIONS  
COMMISSION

By: /s/ Kevin Emas  
Honorable Kevin Emas  
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