



THE STATE OF GEORGIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER

BY THE GOVERNOR:

WHEREAS: O.C.G.A. § 15-11-172(b) provides that the Child Advocate shall serve terms of three years; and

WHEREAS: The term of office for Child Advocate DeAlvah Simms expired, effective October 2, 2006; and

WHEREAS: O.C.G.A. § 15-11-172(a) requires the appointment of a nominating committee to consider nominees for the position of the advocate and that such nominating committee recommend at least three candidates to serve as advocate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME AS GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA, IT IS HEREBY

ORDERED: That a nominating committee of Joy Hawkins, Abel Ortiz, and Rebecca Sullivan be formed to consider nominees for the position of advocate as required by O.C.G.A. § 15-11-172. The nominating committee shall recommend for consideration at least three persons with knowledge of the child welfare system, the juvenile justice system, and the legal system that are qualified by training and experience to perform the duties of advocate as provided for in O.C.G.A. § 15-11-173.

This 30th day of April, 2007.

Sonny Perdue
GOVERNOR