



THE STATE OF GEORGIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER

BY THE GOVERNOR:

WHEREAS: Interest in the vacancy on the Bench of the Supreme Court of Georgia created by the resignation of Chief Justice Leah Ward Sears generated the submission of 47 nominations and the receipt of 38 applications; and

WHEREAS: Given the significant quantitative and qualitative response to the vacancy, and that each of the 38 applicants will have only one interview with the members of the Judicial Nominating Commission (JNC); and

WHEREAS: One member of the JNC, The Honorable James P. Kelly, III, made application for the vacancy on the Supreme Court of Georgia, and therefore is unable to serve on the interviewing panel.

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

ORDERED: That, for the purpose of filling this vacancy, the Commission shall recommend to the Governor eight individuals which it finds qualified for the vacancy on the Supreme Court of Georgia.

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: That, for the purpose of filling this vacancy, Mr. Spence Pryor is hereby appointed to serve as a member of the Judicial Nominating Commission.

This 26th day of June, 2009.


GOVERNOR