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The Honorable Laura Denvir Stith Chief Justice Supreme Court Supreme Court Building Jefferson City, MO 65101

Judge Stath Dear Judge Stith,

I hope this letter finds you well and your conference in Michigan has been productive.

I am writing to respectfully request that you release the background checks that the Appellate Commission had completed for each of the three candidates for the Missouri Supreme Court. Your release of these background checks would save us the time and resources of doing the background checks again.

Thank you for considering this request. Please call Tom Reiss, our Boards and Commission Director, if you can honor this request.

All the best.

Sincerely,

Edward R. Martin, Jr.

cc: Appellate Commissioners