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All Members of the Georgia Judicial Nominating Commission ("JNC") shall act in accordance with the following protocol:

Mandatory Recusal for Applicant JNC Members

Any Member of the Judicial Nominating Commission may be nominated and apply for consideration for an open judgeship.

If nominated, a Member shall promptly notify the JNC if the Member intends to apply for consideration. In the absence of such notice, it is presumed that the Member will not be an applicant and the Member may not apply or be considered.

If the Member expresses an intent to apply, then the Member ("Applicant Member") shall be recused from (and may not participate in) any JNC activities from the notice of intent to apply until the Governor has made the appointment (the "Recusal Period").

The Recusal Period shall remain in effect even if the Applicant Member withdraws interest or is disqualified from consideration.

During the Recusal Period, the Applicant Member shall be removed from all JNC communication lists and will not receive any materials generated during the Recusal Period.

During the Recusal Period, the Applicant Member shall not communicate (except during a scheduled interview) with anyone associated with the JNC (including other Members) regarding any JNC activities whether involving the open judgeship or otherwise.

Any Applicant Member violating this protocol shall be disqualified from consideration for the open judgeship.

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