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Debra Scudiere Chair of the Judicial Vacancy Commission c/o Peter Marcum, General Counsel 1900 Kanawha Boulevard, East Charleston, West Virginia 25305

RE: Judicial Application

Dear Chair Scudiere,

After much thought and deliberation I have decided to withdraw my name as a candidate for Judge of the 30th Judicial Circuit.

The citizens of Mingo County need and deserve a Judge who is fair and honest and will work to restore the public's confidence in the judicial system. I applied out of concern that there would be few if any applicants that would meet those criteria.

It appears from the number of lawyer who have applied that the Commission will have good applicants to consider. Thus, I have decided to remain focused on the two things I love: my family and practicing law.

I have great faith in you and your fellow Commissioners and I know you will work hard to fairly consider all the applicants and present to Governor Tomblin names of qualified candidates.

Thanks to you and the Commission for all the hard work and time spent in this important selection process.

Very truly yours, Jetitie Neese Chofin

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