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Reply to Fort Lauderdale Office

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Governor Charlie Crist
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Re: **Miguel de la O, Esquire**
Application to the Judicial Nominating Commission

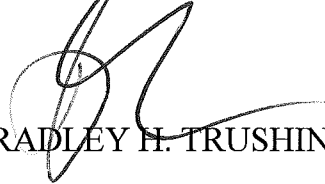
Dear Governor Crist:

I have previously submitted a letter in support of Miguel de la O's application to the Judicial Nominating Commission. I would like the opportunity to briefly add a supplemental observation. I discussed in my letter a very contentious commercial litigation matter in which Mr. de la O and I represented the opposing parties. I became acquainted with Mr. de la O through that case. At one point in the case, I prepared a detailed status report to my client, which I transmitted via e-mail. Shortly after sending the e-mail, I received an e-mail from Mr. de la O. He advised me that I had evidently copied the status report to him in error, and that he had not read the e-mail and had deleted it from his in box and deleted items. He further advised me to be cautious with e-mails, and offered me excellent advice in preventing such a mishap in the future. Had Mr. de la O read the status report, he would have obtained information and legal analysis which he could have used as a means to prevail on a significant aspect of the case. Since the information was readily ascertainable at the time, he could have used the information and asserted the legal argument at any time thereafter during the litigation. He did not. I would like to think that had I been in the same situation, I would have done the same thing. There can be no doubt about what Mr. de la O did when confronted with the temptation to see the legal strategy of his opposition. Since that time, I have used Mr. de la O as a sounding board on occasion when I have had to make a difficult decision involving professional judgment. On each such occasion, Mr. de la O's advice was immediate, decisive, and as I quickly came to realize, eminently correct.

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I consider myself fortunate to have had the experience of litigating a case with Mr. de la O. He embodies the qualities that I have observed in the most effective judges under whom I have had the privilege to practice in state and federal courts during the past seventeen years. I sincerely believe the bar and the public would greatly benefit from having Mr. de la O serve as a Miami-Dade County Circuit Court judge. Please feel free to contact me if I can offer anything further on this important matter.

Very truly yours,



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