

August 20, 2007

The Honorable Charlie Crist  
Office of the Governor  
The Capitol, PL05  
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0001

Dear Governor Crist:

I write this letter to support the nomination of my friend, Miguel M. de la O, for appointment as a Judge of the Circuit Court for the Eleventh Judicial Circuit of Florida. Miguel and I attended law school together and have remained friends ever since. Nobody has earned my respect, personally and professionally, more than he has.

Miguel embodies a rare combination of tremendous energy, intellect, enthusiasm, creativity, personal integrity, and love of the law. In my opinion, these characteristics make him ideally suited to be a judge.

More than that, however, is the fact that Miguel is, simply put, a good person. I've seen him interact with his wife and children. I've seen him talk to people in public and private. He has the demeanor and character that any of us would want to see a judge exhibit in a courtroom.

I could say more, but I don't really think that's necessary. He became my friend, and has remained my friend, because I love and respect him. Please give his application the most serious consideration.

Personal regards,

Chet Kaufman