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

RE: Miguel M. de la O
Candidate for Appointment to the Eleventh Judicial Circuit

Dear Governor Crist:

A jewel of an attorney, a community-minded spirit and a true rising star of this community is requesting appointment to the Eleventh Judicial Circuit. Miguel de la O can be that bright star in the judiciary.

On occasion, I make an effort to offer my strong enthusiastic support to a nominee for the bench of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit. Although I am not reluctant to express my opinion, I generally do so sparingly.

With regard to Miguel de la O, there are not enough superlatives in the Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary to underscore his abilities and self determination to be a better human being and to make this community better as well as to deliver justice for all who seek it before the Court. I met him as one of the first fellows of the Miami Initiative through the Dade Community Foundation and Knight Foundation, and have had the good fortune to work with Mr. de la O on several committees within Miami-Dade County,. He has deep loyalty to this community and to the Bar and Bench. You would be doing a major service to all of our community and our profession when you appoint Miguel de la O to the Eleventh Judicial Circuit.

Please contact me if there is anything further that I can do to assist in furnishing information about Miguel de la O. Please appointment him to the Eleventh Judicial Circuit.

Respectfully yours,



Richard C. Milstein