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Honorable Jamie Woodson
Senate Speaker Pro Tempore
Legislative Plaza, Suite 6
Nashville, TN 37243

Re: election of appellate judges

Dear Senator Woodson:

Thank you for meeting with me this past Wednesday. Your candor in discussing the issues surrounding the election of appellate judges was much appreciated.

In my meeting with Senator Paul Stanley on the same day that I met with you, he asked me for a white paper on the constitutionality of yes/no elections for appellate judges. I have prepared one, and I enclose it for your consideration. For your information, I also sent a copy of the white paper to Lt. Gov. Ramsey.

Your dedicated public service is much appreciated.

Sincerely,



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Enc: As stated