



THE STATE OF GEORGIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER

BY THE GOVERNOR:

WHEREAS: Child Advocate Ashley Willcott has served honorably in the Office of Child Advocate since her appointment in 2014; and

WHEREAS: O.C.G.A. § 15-11-742(b) provides that the Advocate shall serve a term of three years; and

WHEREAS: O.C.G.A. § 15-11-742(a-b) requires the appointment of a nominating committee to consider nominees for the position of Advocate and that such nominating committee recommend to the Governor at least three candidates to serve as Advocate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME AS GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA, IT IS HEREBY

ORDERED: That a nominating committee be formed to consider nominees for the position of Advocate as required by O.C.G.A. § 15-11-742. The nominating committee shall recommend for consideration persons with knowledge of the child welfare system, the juvenile justice system, and the legal system that are qualified by training and experience to perform the duties of Advocate. *Id.*

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: That the following individuals are hereby appointed as members of the nominating committee:

- Frank Berry, Commissioner - Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities
- Judy Fitzgerald, Chief of Staff - Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities
- Avery Niles, Commissioner - Department of Juvenile Justice
- Robyn Crittenden, Commissioner - Department of Human Services
- The Honorable Steve Teske, Chief Judge - Clayton County Juvenile Court
- The Honorable David Miller, District Attorney - Southern Judicial Circuit
- Carey Miller, Deputy Executive Counsel - Office of the Governor; and
- Richard Darby, Retired Chief of Police – City of Cornelia

This 28th day of October, 2016.


GOVERNOR