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Dear Colleague:

I am writing to you in support of Judge Deirdre Edmonds who is seeking re-election to her fourth term as Horry County Probate Court Judge. Judge Edmonds is an intelligent and experienced lawyer, judge and leader. I am honored to endorse her for re-election.

As the former Solicitor of the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit, I worked closely with Judge Edmonds in her capacity as presiding judge of the Horry County Drug Court. Judge Edmonds has generously volunteered her time presiding over the Drug Court since its inception in 2005. Drug Court has been proven to drastically reduce the recidivism rate and gives addicted criminals a second chance to turn their lives around. The Horry County Drug Court has been very successful with over 180 individuals having successfully graduated from the program saving millions of dollars in incarceration costs to the taxpayers.

I have witnessed first hand Judge Edmonds' exceptional work ethic, compassion and dedication to those who appear before her. She has made remarkable improvements to the Horry County Probate Court and is vital to the continuing success of the Drug Court program. Judge Edmonds' legal expertise and experience are essential to the office of Probate Judge. She is a great asset to our community and we cannot afford to lose her as our probate judge.

I am proud to call Judge Edmonds my friend. Please support her with your vote, campaign contribution, and otherwise helping with her campaign. You may contribute directly through her website, www.reelectedmondsprobatejudge.com or forward your campaign contribution to:

Committee to Re-Elect Deirdre Edmonds Probate Judge
609 Saffron Court
Myrtle Beach, SC 29579

Thank you for your consideration and please remember to vote on **June 10th** for Judge Deirdre Edmonds in the Republican primary.

In your service,



J. Gregory Hembree