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SCOTT E. THOMAS Commissioner

Scott E. Thomas was nominated to a third term as an FEC Commissioner by President Clinton on September 2, 1997, and confirmed by the U.S. Senate on July 30, 1998.

Commissioner Thomas, a Democrat, was originally nominated by President Reagan to a term that expired on April 30, 1991. He was nominated for reappointment by President Bush for a term expiring on April 30, 1997. He served as FEC Chairman in 1987, 1993 and 1999.

Prior to his appointment, Mr. Thomas was Executive Assistant to former FEC Commissioner Thomas E. Harris. Before that he worked as an attorney and later as an Assistant General Counsel for Enforcement in the FEC's Office of General Counsel. He is a member of the District of Columbia Bar.

A Wyoming resident prior to college, Commissioner Thomas is a 1974 graduate of Stanford University. He received his J.D. Degree from Georgetown Law Center in 1977. He and his wife, Elena W. King, make their home in Washington, D.C.

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