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Miami divorce lawyer Alice Best is on the Judicial Nominating Commission for the Third District Court of Appeal, and if any candidate happened to be Earl Warren or Felix Frankfurter in a previous life, he - or she - may be in luck.

On the evening of Sept. 27, the same day the commission interviews applicants for the court, Best and her fiance, Dennis Jackson, 49, a psychic medium, are scheduled to autograph copies of their book, *Together Again: Twin Souls Reunite in Love and Life*, at Books & Books in Coral Gables.

"A metaphysical love story," says Best, who met her co-author at a New Age retreat three years ago. "We recognized each other from past lives. We've been together many, many times - as lovers and friends. We know we were Indians together in the 1600s."

Best now practices "holistic" law. "I choose not to be the nasty divorce lawyer." She prefers spiritual cases, pleasant

settlements.

The nine-member nominating commission, chaired by lawyer Arturo Alvarez, will submit three to six names to Gov. Jeb Bush for the seat that Judge Joseph Nesbitt, 69, leaves when he retires Dec. 31.

Among the applicants: Miami-Dade Circuit Judges Jennifer Bailey, Gisela Cardonne, Michael Chavies, Amy Dean, Eugene Fierro, Maynard "Skip" Gross, Maria Korvick, Juan Ramirez and Leslie Rothenberg; Monroe Circuit Judge Sandra Taylor; Miami-Dade County Judge Mark King Leban, and lawyers Linda Hertz, Julian Kreeger, Michael Neimand and Thomasina Williams.

Best, a Lawton Chiles appointee who is moving to Seattle in December, won't predict who will wind up judge. That she'll leave to her psychic beau.