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Could vacant 11th Circuit seat allow compromise?

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A second Georgia judge has announced plans to give up his seat on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit, adding a new element to a nominations game in which Georgia's U.S. senators have blocked President Barack Obama's choice to fill the first seat.

Judge J.L. Edmondson last week informed the White House of his plans to take senior status on July 15. That's one day after he celebrates his 65th birthday and, based on his 26 years of judicial service, becomes eligible to go into the federal judiciary's version of semi-retirement. [Click here to read more.](#)