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The Honorable Patrick J. Leahy
Chairman
Senate Committee on the Judiciary
224 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Charles E. Grassley
Ranking Member
Senate Committee on the Judiciary
224 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Leahy and Ranking Member Grassley:

On behalf of the National District Attorneys Association, the oldest and largest organization representing over 39,000 of America's state and local prosecutors, we would like to offer our full support for the nomination of Caitlin J. Halligan for the position of United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia.

Ms. Halligan has an impressive background which developed her into an extremely impressive and qualified candidate to serve as an U.S. Circuit Judge. Ms. Halligan currently serves as General Counsel of the New York County District Attorney's Office, where she helps to supervise more than 500 lawyers handling a wide range of criminal investigations and prosecutions. Prior to joining the District Attorney's Office in 2010, Ms. Halligan was a partner and head of the appellate practice at Weil, Gotshal & Manges, LLP, a leading New York law firm. From October 2001 until January 2007, Ms. Halligan served as the Solicitor General of New York State, where she represented the State in the federal and state appellate courts and headed an office of 45 appellate attorneys.

The National District Attorneys Association believes that Ms. Halligan would be an outstanding addition to the United States Circuit Court for the District of Columbia. We are happy to offer our full support for Ms. Halligan's nomination and encourage her swift confirmation by the Senate.

Sincerely,

James Reams
President

Scott Burns
Executive Director