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The Honorable Charles Grassley
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224 Russell Senate Office Building
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The Honorable Patrick J. Leahy
Ranking Minority Member, Senate Judiciary Committee
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Nomination of Judge Lucy H. Koh to the Court of Appeals for the Ninth
Circuit

Dear Chairman Grassley and Senator Leahy:

I am writing to enthusiastically support the nomination of District Court Judge Lucy H. Koh to be a Judge on the Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. I had the privilege of working with Judge Koh when she was an Assistant U.S. Attorney in the Central District of California. We have remained friends since and I have followed her judicial career with great interest. Judge Koh has a brilliant legal mind, is incredibly hard working, has tremendous integrity and is a wonderful person: warm, caring and with a terrific sense of humor. She is exactly what everyone should want in a Judge: smart, hard-working, fair and with no agenda other than reaching the correct result.

I have had the opportunity to work with many outstanding lawyers both in and out of the government and Judge Koh is among the very best. She will bring to the Ninth Circuit a strong—indeed a virtually unique—background in technology, business litigation, and criminal law in addition to her over eight years of experience on the state and federal trial court bench.

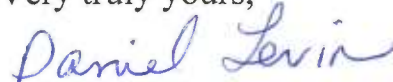
Judge Koh has been a trailblazer throughout her career. She was the first female Korean American Article III judge, the first Asian Pacific American Article III judge in the San Francisco Bay/Silicon Valley area and, if confirmed, will be the

first female Korean American Circuit Court judge. Her awards and achievements both as an attorney and a judge are far too numerous to mention. Perhaps most significant is the fact that she has been recognized as the district judge appointed in the last five years whose rulings are cited the most by other federal judges, showing the high regard she is held in by her fellow jurists.

Judge Koh is also a public servant in the best sense of the word. In addition to her work in the Justice Department and on the Bench, she was been active with numerous community and law-related organizations. Her leadership positions have included: American Law Institute Data Privacy Project Adviser (2014-present); Association of Business Trial Lawyers Board Member (2014-present); St. Thomas More Society Board Member (2011-2013); Harvard Law School Visiting Committee Member (2011-present); Board of Directors, Asian Pacific Bar Association of Silicon Valley (2006-08); Board of Directors, Korean American Bar Association of Northern California (2001-03).

I hope that the Judiciary Committee and Senate will move quickly to confirm this outstanding nominee. The country needs more judges like Judge Koh: brilliant, non-partisan and consummately professional. I can think of no one who would be more qualified by background, temperament, intellect and integrity for the position.

Very truly yours,



Daniel Levin