

November 16, 2022

The Honorable Richard J. Durbin Chairman Committee on the Judiciary United States Senate Washington, DC 20510 The Honorable Charles E. Grassley Ranking Member Committee on the Judiciary United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Durbin and Ranking Member Grassley:

On behalf of the Addiction Policy Forum, I am writing in support of Amy Solomon's nomination to be the next Assistant Attorney General for the Office of Justice Programs in the U.S. Department of Justice.

The Addiction Policy Forum is a nationwide nonprofit organization dedicated to eliminating addiction as a major health problem. Founded in 2015, our strategic priorities include helping patients and families in crisis, ending the stigma around addiction, expanding prevention and early intervention, increasing the uptake of evidence-based practice and advancing patient-led research.

I have worked with Amy Solomon for over 20 years on a variety of projects related to substance use disorders and criminal justice and highly recommend her for Assistant Attorney General. I have found Amy's leadership, collaboration, and willingness to seek out new innovative initiatives an important asset in advancing the field, including efforts that range from reducing recidivism to improving evidence-based services for addiction treatment. Her skill at forming interagency collaborative partnerships is an invaluable and often overlooked component of driving practical change.

Amy is an innovative and progressive leader. It has been my privilege to know her and to work with her. I am confident she will excel as Assistant Attorney General. I urge the Committee to act favorably on her nomination and to move her swiftly to confirmation. The Office of Justice, the Department of Justice and communities across the country will benefit from Amy's leadership.

I appreciate the opportunity to provide these views. You can contact me at <u>jhulsey@addictionpolicy.org</u> or 202-302-1147.

Sincerely,

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