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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

Re: Sarah Elisabeth Geraghty, Nominee, District Judge, Northern District of Georgia

Dear Chairman Durbin and Ranking Member Grassley:

I write to express my wholehearted support for the nomination of Sarah Elisabeth Geraghty to become a United States District Judge in the Northern District of Georgia.

My entire 30-year legal career has been spent in Atlanta, Georgia, working in civil litigation. Most of my work has taken place in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Georgia, representing business clients in a variety of disputes, including the challenging fields of civil RICO, intellectual property, and antitrust law. But my involvement with the Southern Center for Human Rights (SCHR), as a volunteer pro bono lawyer and later as a board member, has been a highlight of my career.

During my association with the SCHR, it has been my privilege to work with Ms. Geraghty, and to see her become a highly impressive attorney who possesses all the characteristics needed for successful service as a United States District Judge. She combines a first class legal mind with a prodigious work ethic that will lead her to assess all of the relevant facts and law before acting. She also has demonstrated the ability to remain composed and effective when dealing with opposing counsel, parties and court staff, even during times of great stress. Ms. Geraghty has the quiet determination to act ethically at all times, and to treat all people with equal respect.

While I have worked with many very talented lawyers who possess the intellectual capacity to navigate complex areas of the law, I cannot name anyone who is better qualified than Ms. Geraghty to assume the federal bench. It would be an honor to appear before her in my home district.

Respectfully yours,

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