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VIA EMAIL AND FIRST CLASS MAIL

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

Re: *Nomination of Richard G. Taranto*
To the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit

Dear Chairman Leahy:

The ABA Standing Committee on the Federal Judiciary has completed its evaluation of the professional qualifications of Richard G. Taranto who has been nominated for a position on the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. As a result of our investigation, the Committee is of the unanimous opinion that Mr. Taranto is "Well Qualified" for this position.

A copy of this letter has been provided to Mr. Taranto.

Sincerely,



Allan J. Joseph
Chair

cc: Richard G. Taranto
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