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January 26, 2009

The Honorable Patrick Leahy
Chairman, Judiciary Committee
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Dear Senator Leahy:

I am writing in support of President Obama's nomination of Lanny A. Breuer for Assistant Attorney General of the Criminal Division of the United States Department of Justice.

You are no doubt familiar with his resume and the outstanding academic credentials and legal experience he would bring to the job. What may not be evident from his resume are his personal characteristics and values that make him ideally suited for this important position. It is Lanny's intelligence, sense of fairness and integrity that most qualify him to be Assistant Attorney General. As a former prosecutor for the Department of Justice myself and a white collar defense attorney, I have seen Lanny's evenhandedness and sound decision making in action.

Lenny will ensure that the Criminal Division is a proper dispenser of justice. He's the best.

If you have any questions, please contact me at the above number or at 202-393-4333.

Sincerely,



Martha P. Rogers



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January 27, 2009

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

Dear Senators Leahy and Specter:

I am pleased to support the nomination by the President of Lanny Breuer, Esq, as the Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division in the Department of Justice. Based on his work in this Office, and his remarkable and varied career in and out of public service, I am confident that Mr. Breuer is an outstanding choice for this position and will be a conscientious, highly intelligent, and principled Assistant Attorney General for the the Criminal Division.

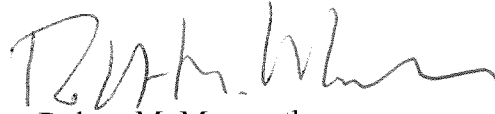
Mr. Breuer served in the District Attorney's Office from 1985 to 1989, and I am familiar with his work during that period. I have stayed in touch with him since he left the office and I am impressed by his fine reputation as a lawyer in private practice and in government service.

In the District Attorney's Office, he was responsible for the investigation and prosecution of hundreds of criminal cases, ranging from misdemeanors and petty offenses to violent felony crimes. Under our system of vertical prosecution, Mr. Breuer was responsible for each case from start to finish, from pre-arrest investigation through arraignment, grand jury, motion practice, plea-bargaining and trial. I can think of no better introduction to the demands and ethical challenges of criminal prosecution, and Mr. Breuer consistently handled his responsibilities with keen analytical ability, common sense, total integrity and an exemplary sense of justice. He was organized, calm and effective in handling a high caseload and worked well with others. He was well known in his trial bureau for his sharp intellect and ability to analyze the strengths and weaknesses of cases, but more importantly, he was never too busy in the heat of the moment to keep his eye on what the just result should be. I am convinced that he was a thorough, careful and vigorous prosecutor but that he also understood that the power and

authority possessed by a prosecutor will be best balanced by humility and discretion. He never wavered in his pursuit of fairness and justice.

For these reasons, I am happy to recommend Mr. Breuer to the Judiciary Committee. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Robert M. Morgenthau

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January 28, 2009

The Honorable Patrick Leahy
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Re: **Lanny A. Breuer**

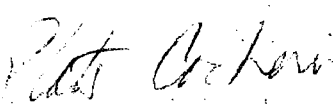
Dear Senator Leahy:

I am addressing you as the Chairman of the Committee on the Judiciary. I wholeheartedly support the nomination of Lanny Breuer, who is among the best lawyers in the United States, to be Assistant Attorney General in charge of the Criminal Division.

I have known Lanny for over ten years, both personally and professionally and have the highest regard for his ability, ethics, and dedication. I have no hesitation in supporting this nomination and believe Lanny will bring integrity and honor to this position.

You may recall when we sat together during the impeachment trial of former President Clinton at a time when Monica Lewinsky, my client, was a witness at the Mayflower Hotel.

Sincerely,


Plato Cacheris

Richard H. Girgenti



January 28, 2009

Senator Patrick Leahy
United States Senate
433 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Leahy:

It is with great pleasure that I write to you on behalf of the nomination of Mr. Lanny A. Breuer for Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division of the United States Department of Justice.

I have known Lanny Breuer since 1985, when as the Administrative Assistant Attorney for the New York County District Attorney, Robert M. Morgenthau, I recommended to Mr. Morgenthau that he hire Lanny as an Assistant District Attorney. Since that time, Lanny has gone on to enjoy a distinguished career as one of the ablest and most successful lawyers in America. All of the personal characteristics of energy, integrity, intelligence, commitment to public service and interpersonal skills that he has exhibited throughout his career were present when I first interviewed him for a position as an Assistant District Attorney back in 1985. He subsequently honed his legal skills as a trial attorney in the District Attorney's office where he distinguished himself prosecuting serious violent crimes. The experiences that he had in those early years as an attorney prepared him well for the future challenges and successes that he has enjoyed, in his years after leaving the District Attorney's office, as an attorney in private practice and as a Special White House Counsel.

Lanny's experiences as an attorney have been diverse. Time and again, he has demonstrated the ability to handle successfully some of the most sensitive and complex matters facing his clients, and at times, the country itself. He is just as comfortable interacting and working well with private litigants and clients as he is with leaders and elected officials in the legislative and executive branch. In every forum, in varied situations, and with every manner of person, throughout the more than twenty years that I have known Lanny, he has justifiably earned a reputation as a consummate professional and one of the nation's best lawyers whether working as a trusted advisor or vigorous advocate.

As the former Director of Criminal Justice Services for the State of New York under Governor Mario Cuomo, I had the opportunity to work directly and frequently with all of the federal law enforcement agencies, and in particular with the Department of Justice, the then Attorney General Janet Reno and the United States Attorneys in all of the Judicial Districts in New York State and elsewhere throughout the country. As a former prosecutor and top level state official for criminal justice, I understand well the great responsibility that is placed in the hands of the Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division. It is this background, and the insight that it has provided me, that gives me confidence in supporting and recommending Lanny Breuer to you for the position of Assistant Attorney General.

Sincerely,

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Richard H. Girgenti

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January 28, 2009

Honorable Patrick J. Leahy
Chairman
Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
224 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510-6275

RE: Lanny Breuer

Dear Senator Leahy:

I am writing to you to convey my support of the nomination of Lanny Breuer, Esquire to become the Assistant Attorney General in charge of the Criminal Division at the Department of Justice. I am a senior partner in the Washington, DC office of Skadden, Arps. In my career of over forty years, and after my service as an Assistant United States Attorney here in Washington, I specialized in the defense and trial of white collar criminal cases.

I have known Lanny for over twelve years. I first met him shortly after he entered private practice after he departed the District Attorney's office in Manhattan. Since that time he and I have collaborated on a number of cases, and we have developed a professional relationship. I believe that over the number of years that I have come to know Lanny, he is without question an accomplished and skillful lawyer. He is a fair and compassionate individual and I am confident that with his experience both as a prosecutor and in the private sector, he has the experience, wisdom, judgment and insight to guide the Department of Justice's Criminal Division and is prepared to take on the responsibilities awaiting him.

For these reasons, I urge you and your committee to act favorably on his nomination.

Sincerely,


Robert S. Bennett



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January 29, 2009

Honorable Patrick J. Leahy
United States Senate
Committee on the Judiciary
199 Main Street, 4th Floor
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Dear Senator Leahy:

I am writing to you to convey my enthusiastic support of the nomination of Mr. Lanny Breuer to become the Assistant Attorney General in charge of the Criminal Division at the Department of Justice. I am a senior partner in the Washington, DC office of Sidley Austin. In my career of over forty years, and after my service as an Assistant United States Attorney here in Washington, I specialized in the defense and trial of white collar criminal cases.

I have known Lanny for over fifteen years. I first met him shortly after he entered private practice after he departed the District Attorney's office in Manhattan. Since that time he and I have collaborated on a number of cases, and we have developed both a professional and social relationship. As a result I have come to know him very well. He is without question an accomplished and skillful lawyer who possesses a keen intellect. Furthermore his integrity is beyond reproach, and he enjoys the respect and admiration of the legal community in which we both work. Because of his experience both as a prosecutor and in the private sector, he has the experience, wisdom and insight to guide the Department's Criminal Division. He truly is ably suited and prepared to take on the responsibilities awaiting him. For these reasons I urge you and your committee to act favorably on his nomination.

I appreciate your consideration of my remarks.

Sincerely yours,

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January 30, 2009

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The Honorable Arlen Specter
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Senate Committee on the Judiciary
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Re: Lanny A. Breuer

Dear Chairman Leahy and Senator Specter:

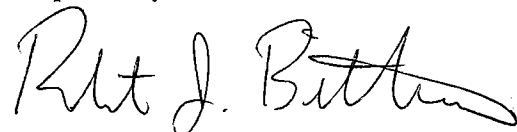
I write in support of the nomination of Lanny A. Breuer to become the Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, at the Department of Justice.

I came to know Mr. Breuer when he served in the White House as Special Counsel to President Clinton. From 1994 to 1999 I served as Deputy Independent Counsel in the Office of Independent Counsel Ken Starr. I headed our Office's investigation of the Monica Lewinsky matter, and I was our Office's principal contact with the White House, especially the White House Counsel's Office, in that investigation. In this capacity, I dealt with Mr. Breuer extensively. I found Mr. Breuer to be smart, honest, and forthright. I particularly admired Mr. Breuer's respect for the criminal justice process and his professionalism. Mr. Breuer always comported himself professionally, and he was always respectful of our different roles and our differences.

As a white collar criminal defense attorney myself, I am well aware of Mr. Breuer's reputation in our practice community. In short, Mr. Breuer is nationally recognized as a skilled attorney of high integrity and sound judgment.

I believe Mr. Breuer is a man of exceptional ability and integrity and that he will make an excellent Assistant Attorney General. I fully support his nomination.

Respectfully,



Robert J. Bittman

February 2, 2009

Via E-mail

Senator Patrick Leahy
Chair
Senator Arlen Specter
Ranking Member
The Senate Committee on the Judiciary
224 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Re: Letter in Support of the Nomination of Lanny A. Breuer as
Chief of the Criminal Division, US Department of Justice

Dear Chairman Leahy and Ranking Member Specter:

It is my honor to write in support of the nomination of Lanny A. Breuer as Chief of the Criminal Division of the Department of Justice. I do so enthusiastically, both as a former prosecutor who headed the country's fourth largest district attorney's office and as a former Congresswoman who sat on the House Judiciary Committee for eight years and dealt with the Criminal Division on many occasions.

The Criminal Division exemplifies how our country views the rule of law. It requires as its chief someone who understands the need for effective and robust prosecution of those who violate the law, and at the same time the need to adhere to the highest standards of professionalism in doing so. I can think of no one better suited than Lanny Breuer to be the face of justice to the American people. He would bring to the position an extraordinary depth of experience with the criminal justice system, the obvious intelligence to understand and master the complex issues the Division faces, the thoughtfulness and care so important in making wise decisions and a commitment to ensuring the highest standards of excellence.

Lanny Breuer brings the perspective of an experienced prosecutor to the position, having worked in the Manhattan District Attorney's Office, a crucible that has produced some of the country's finest prosecutors. In addition, Lanny knows the criminal justice system from the vantage point of an expert defense counsel, having co-chaired the White Collar Defense and Investigations practice group at Covington and Burling. He brings the important benefit of understanding both sides.

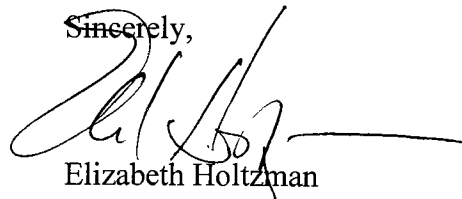
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Having worked with Lanny when he represented President Clinton during the impeachment proceedings against him, I know that he can master the complexities of constitutional litigation and that he has the temperament and good judgment to win the confidence of his colleagues and the American people. In my dealings with him I found him to be extremely professional, an excellent legal strategist and unfailingly courteous. These qualities, I might add, were already apparent more than thirty years beforehand when Lanny worked as an intern in my Congressional office.

As a child of Holocaust survivors, Lanny would also bring a unique sensitivity to the work of one of the units in the Criminal Division, the Office of Special Investigations, which is responsible, among other things, for bringing to justice Nazi war criminals living in the US. Having helped to create that Office when I was in Congress, I have every confidence that Lanny's good judgment and commitment will ensure that the important work of the Office is carried out in accordance with the highest professional standards.

I believe that Lanny would make a superb Chief of the Criminal Division, and I most respectfully urge that he be confirmed by your Committee and the Senate.

I would be happy to answer any questions you or your staff might have.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Holtzman

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FRED S. ZEIDMAN

February 3, 2009

The Honorable Patrick J. Leahy
Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Arlen Specter
Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Chairman Leahy and Senator Specter:

I am writing to you to express my sincere support of the nomination of Mr. Lanny Breuer to become the Assistant Attorney General in charge of the Criminal Division at the Department of Justice. I have known Lanny since 2002, when I became Chairman of the United States Holocaust Memorial Council, on which Lanny had been serving since 1999 (his term ended in 2004). During our years of service together, I was continually impressed with Lanny's thoughtful and professional approach to membership on the Council and believe he would bring earnestness and integrity to his service to the American people.

As you are probably aware, the United States Holocaust Memorial Council includes 55 Presidentially-appointed members and ten members from the U.S. Congress and is the governing board of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum. Among the many members, Lanny stood out not only for his dedication to the mission of the Museum but also for his ability to work well with other members of the Council, who hail from a wide variety of professional and geographical backgrounds. An engaged listener and genuine problem-solver, Lanny won over other members with his sincerity, passion, and good humor, bringing his extensive experience in the legal world to bear on the issues faced by the Council without ever preferencing his own knowledge or experience over others' on the Council. Although the Council members are a lively and opinionated group, Lanny could connect with each and every member on equal footing because of his plain-spoken, humble, and intelligent manner, combined with his clear dedication to the Council and the community.

Lanny's practice of soliciting others' opinions and ideas enables him to balance priorities with assurance and lead with confidence, as he wins consensus and support before making decisions and tackling complex problems. It is this quality in particular that

makes him uniquely suited to guide the Criminal Division, where his personable style and keen intellect, combined with his superior legal background, will persuade lawyers and staff of all backgrounds of the wisdom and strength of his leadership. For these reasons, I unequivocally support Lanny's nomination.

Sincerely,

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Earl J. Silbert

February 5, 2009

Honorable Patrick J. Leahy
United States Senate
Chair, Committee on the Judiciary
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Dear Senator Leahy:

I am writing to you to support the nomination of Mr. Lanny Breuer to become the Assistant Attorney General in charge of the Criminal Division at the Department of Justice. I am a partner in the Washington, DC office of DLA Piper, having previously served as both an Assistant U.S. Attorney here in Washington and also as United States Attorney for nearly fifteen years. In private practice, I specialize in the defense and trial of white collar criminal cases.

I have known Mr. Breuer for many years, both when he worked in the White House Counsel's Office and in private practice. He is without question an experienced and skillful lawyer. His trial skills and integrity are considered excellent by his peers as witnessed by his being voted a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers. Because of his service both as a prosecutor and in the private sector, he has the experience, wisdom and insight to lead the Department's Criminal Division. He is ably suited and prepared to take on the important responsibilities awaiting him. I urge you and your committee to act favorably on his nomination.

I thank you for your consideration of my recommendation of Mr. Breuer.

Sincerely yours,

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Earl J. Silbert

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February 5, 2009

The Honorable Patrick J. Leahy
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The Honorable Arlen Specter
Committee on the Judiciary
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Re: Mr. Lanny A. Breuer

Dear Chairman Leahy and Senator Specter

I write this letter in support of Mr. Lanny A. Breuer, the nominee for Assistant Attorney General in charge of the Criminal Division of the United States Department of Justice. I believe Mr. Breuer is a spectacular choice and would serve the American people well with his depth of intelligence, professionalism, integrity and passion.

Although I currently serve as President of the Buhl Foundation, Pittsburgh's oldest philanthropy, I had the privilege of practicing law for nearly 30 years, nearly one-third of it as a federal prosecutor and, between 1993 and 1997, I had the great privilege to serve as the United States Attorney for the Western District of Pennsylvania. In that position, I also had the opportunity to interface with fellow U. S. Attorneys and great leaders such as Attorney General Eric Holder, Homeland Security Head Janet Napolitano and Rhode Island Senator Sheldon Whitehouse. Based upon that experience within the Department of Justice, I feel competent and confident in expressing my opinions in support of Mr. Breuer's qualifications to serve in this most important post.

I have known Lanny Breuer for some five years and have worked extensively with him as co-counsel on an extremely complicated and international federal criminal matter. Over the course of that close relationship, I not only had the opportunity to observe him in professional and courtroom settings but also had a sustained interaction with Lanny in the course of frequent local and international travel. It is based upon this extensive professional and personal interaction that I unhesitatingly support the nomination of this wonderful individual and lawyer.

Lanny brings to this important position a wealth of background and experience: 1) he is a seasoned line prosecutor with in-the-trench experience as a member of the District Attorney's Office in the Southern District of New York, obviously a hotbed of complex and trend-setting prosecutions; 2) as Special White House Counsel he obviously learned the importance of informed and speedy decision making, proactive identification of strategic considerations and the importance of discretion and transparency; 3) by virtue of extensive federal criminal litigation work while co-chair of Covington and Burling LLP's White-Collar Defense and Investigation Practice Group, he represented numerous individuals and organizations in sophisticated and complex matters throughout the United States and internationally. That impressive and varied resume speaks volumes about Mr. Breuer's qualifications and ability to serve in the important role of heading the Criminal Division of the Department of Justice.

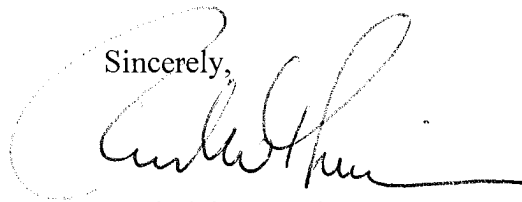
Even so, I write you to discuss not Mr. Breuer's spectacular resume, which is obvious at a glance but, rather, to speak about Mr. Breuer as the lawyer that I know well. First, Lanny is probably the most well-versed attorney, cognizant of federal criminal practice and Department of Justice procedures, that I have ever known. As a former Assistant United States Attorney and a former U. S. Attorney, I have never worked with a lawyer with greater expertise in the practice of federal criminal law. Second, Lanny is a born trial attorney and a charismatic enabler. He understands the complexities of litigation, the intricacies of anticipation and preparation, the pressures of courtroom work, the need for both passion and compassion, how to balance intensity and family life, and the proper role and interplay of independence, dedication and loyalty to an oath. Third, from an organizational perspective, I have rarely met an individual with such a balance of leadership, encouragement, and a willingness to roll up his sleeves and work alongside others. He knows when to delegate, when to relegate and when to step up. Finally, and most importantly, Lanny is one of the finest, friendliest and most enjoyable individuals with whom I have ever worked. He is a dedicated family man, cares about community, is considerate, humble and engaging. Simply stated, Lanny is just great to be around.

Having spent decades not only as a federal prosecutor but also as defense counsel working on matters in opposition to the U. S. Attorney's Office, I have a keen awareness of and sensitivity to balancing zealous representation with decorum and professionalism. I have prided myself, over the years, both before and after the time I served as U. S. Attorney, with having many good friends in the U. S. Attorney's Office. Accordingly, when I worked with Lanny for some five years as a member of a legal team that waged a tough but professional legal battle with the U. S. Attorney's Office in the Western District of Pennsylvania, I was honored and proud to stand alongside Lanny. During the entire five-year litigation, he demonstrated his true character as a man of great skill and integrity. I would encourage you to contact the two AUSA's who were opposing counsel for the matter on which Mr. Breuer and I worked. They are AUSA Bruce Teitelbaum, Special Counsel for the U. S. Attorney's Office in the Western District of Pennsylvania (████████████████████) and Mr. Leon Dillon, Chief of the Criminal Division for the U. S. Attorney's Office, Western District of Pennsylvania (phone number ██████████). Messrs. Dillon and Teitelbaum, I would wager, would agree that Mr. Breuer is as fine, professional and knowledgeable an attorney as any they have faced.

I believe the confirmation of Mr. Lanny A. Breuer as Assistant Attorney General in charge of the Criminal Division of the United States Department of Justice would be a great step for our country. Mr. Breuer is the personification of the high ideals of competence, integrity, independence and professionalism that have been the hallmark of the Department of Justice for the better part of 200 years. I wholeheartedly endorse Mr. Lanny A. Breuer to continue that tradition.

If I can be of further assistance or if you would wish to discuss the matter further, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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Frederick W. Thieman
President

Michael Chertoff



February 6, 2009

VIA REGULAR MAIL

United States Senate
Committee on the Judiciary
224 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Leahy, Ranking Member Specter and Members:

I am writing to give my strong support to the nomination of Lanny Breuer to serve as Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division.

As you know, I was Assistant Attorney General of the Criminal Division from 2001-2003. Accordingly, I am very familiar with the nature of the position for which Mr. Breuer is being nominated.

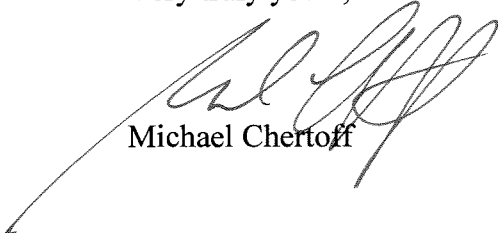
I have known Lanny for a number of years both personally and professionally. Additionally, I am familiar with his reputation in the legal community.

Lanny has exceptionally broad legal experience as a former prosecutor and defense attorney. He has handled numerous sensitive matters, including serving as Special Counsel to President Clinton. From my own experience, I know him to have outstanding judgment, a keen sense of fairness, high integrity and an even temperament. As his membership in the American College of Trial Lawyers attests, he enjoys a superb reputation among his peers.

Leading the Criminal Division requires practical experience in criminal advocacy and the commitment and courage to judge prosecutions on the merits, "without fear or favor." Lanny embodies all these qualities. I unreservedly endorse his nomination for Assistant Attorney General.

Please contact me if I can assist you with this matter.

Very truly yours,



Michael Chertoff

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February 11, 2009

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Re: Lanny A. Breuer

Dear Mr. Chairman and Senator Specter:

It is with the utmost pleasure that we write to express our strong and enthusiastic support for Lanny A. Breuer to serve as the Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division. Lanny is an extraordinary lawyer and an even better person. We hope that Lanny will be confirmed swiftly and will soon become an integral member of Attorney General Holder's team.

As Lanny's former colleagues at the New York County (Manhattan) District Attorney's Office, where he served as an Assistant District Attorney from 1985 to 1989, we are proud to have known Lanny at the beginning of his distinguished legal career. As an Assistant D.A., Lanny was not only an immensely talented and dedicated advocate and public servant, but he also held himself to the very highest standards of ethical conduct. While serving in perhaps the most active public prosecutor's office in the country, Lanny distinguished himself as a tenacious but scrupulously fair trial lawyer, driven by the unwavering goal of achieving justice. He quickly engendered the respect and admiration of not only his peers, supervisors, and the law enforcement community, but adversaries and court personnel, including judges. During this exciting period of his professional career, Lanny displayed unparalleled sensitivity to the victims of the crimes he prosecuted and was a fearless advocate on their behalf. His work ranged from the prosecution of violent street crimes to those involving financial crime, providing him with a solid base of experience as a prosecuting attorney. Since leaving the Manhattan District Attorney's Office, Lanny has displayed the very same qualities at Covington & Burling, where he is one of the leaders of the firm's white collar defense and investigations practice and where he has spent the entirety of his private practice career, and also as Special Counsel to President Clinton, in which capacity he represented the president in the impeachment hearings.

We are confident Lanny will be a great Assistant Attorney General. Lanny's even-mindedness and sound judgment will ensure that justice is dispensed fairly and equitably. His life and professional experiences will enable him to be fair, but tough, as well as principled and pragmatic. Lanny has distinguished himself as a bright, clear-minded thinker and problem solver; as someone who possesses stellar management skills; and perhaps most importantly for a man charged with such responsibility, as a good listener. Lanny is a consensus-builder and will

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The Honorable Arlen Specter
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be an effective and persuasive advocate for the Department and for law enforcement agencies across the country. He has a steady, well-grounded demeanor and puts people immediately at ease. Above all, Lanny is a man who has the courage to make the right, but not necessarily popular or easy, decision and the character to stand steadfastly for the rule of law.

We note that not only is Lanny superbly qualified to be the Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division, but he is a truly good and decent person. He has the integrity, the sense of fair-play, and commitment to justice under the law that will make Americans confident in the work of the Department of Justice and proud of its role in protecting the public. We urge his rapid confirmation.

Very truly yours,



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February 13, 2009

The Honorable Patrick Leahy, Chairman
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433 Russell Senate Office Building
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The Honorable Arlen Specter, Ranking Member
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Dear Chairman Leahy and Senator Specter:

I write to endorse the nomination of Lanny Breuer to serve as Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division. I commend President Obama for making such an outstanding choice to head this important Division.

I believe Lanny is everything one could hope for in a leader of the Criminal Division. He has had a distinguished career in both public service and the private sector focused largely on federal criminal cases; a proven track record of successful management of lawyers; excellent judgment and legal skill; and partisan loyalties that are supervised by an unfailing commitment both to civility and to justice. I consider him one of the outstanding lawyers of my generation in the field of federal criminal practice, and I commend his nomination to you without reservation.

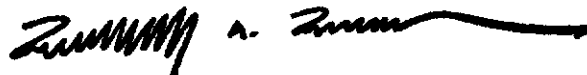
Lanny's lack of undue partisanship is a trait worthy of separate comment. Even when he was beating back the scandals that beset President Clinton's White House as a member of the White House Counsel's Office – a time of very raw and high partisan feeling – Lanny remained a courteous and high-minded gentleman who never personalized partisan or political differences. It is in part for that reason that, despite the fact that he and I come from different sides of the political aisle, I am so pleased to recommend him to you for what I hope will be a swift and uncontroversial confirmation.

I have one final request: Please do not take the brevity of this letter as any indication of a lack of enthusiasm on my part; its length is due solely to the fact that I am currently in the middle of a lengthy criminal trial. There is much more that I could say to demonstrate the conspicuous

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merits of Lanny's nomination, but I trust the record of Lanny's many accomplishments will be clear even without further elaboration by me.

Respectfully submitted,

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Bradford A. Berenson

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February 17, 2009

Charles G. La Bella



Via Facsimile and U.S. Mail

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Senator Arlen Specter
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Re: Lanny A. Breuer

Dear Senators Leahy and Specter:

I am writing to you concerning the nomination of Lanny Breuer to head the Criminal Division at the Department of Justice.

I worked with Lanny while I was in Washington heading the Campaign Finance Task Force. Lanny was Special Counsel to President Clinton and represented both the President and certain White House staff. Due to the nature of the inquiry I had almost daily contact with Lanny in an effort to obtain documents and information concerning the on-going investigation. We both faced some very difficult legal issues in our different roles. Through it all, Lanny exemplified the highest professional and ethical standards in addressing complex and at times competing investigations. We maintained an open dialogue and were able to work out each and every legal issue to our mutual satisfaction. But beyond these professional mechanics, Lanny was open minded, could see both points of view and was flexible in addressing the weekly issues concerning witness interviews, production of documents and review of sensitive materials.

I was with the Department of Justice for many years and know how important the head of the Criminal Division is to the proper administration of justice. The Criminal Division is a powerful division and must be managed ethically, professionally and responsibly. Lanny Breuer possesses all the tools to do so. I would urge his swift confirmation.

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If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

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Charles G. La Bella

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Dear Chairman Leahy, Ranking Member Specter and Members:

I am writing to offer my unqualified support of Lanny Breuer to serve as Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division for the Department of Justice. I have known Lanny for many years in a personal and professional capacity. In addition, over the past several years, I have had the privilege to spend time with his wife and family.

Lanny is a fair, decent man, who is known for his integrity and honesty. That said, he is a tenacious litigator who plays by the rules, but represents the interests of his clients. As head of the Criminal Division, Lanny will undoubtedly represent the interests of the citizens of the United States with vigor and do so always mindful of the pursuit of justice.

It is a testament to the future of our Justice Department that people of the stature of Lanny Breuer are willing to forego high salaries and time with their families to serve our Country. Lanny embodies the qualities that will make him a respected Assistant Attorney General. I look forward to the opportunity to work with him in this capacity.

If I may be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Larry D. Thompson

February 17, 2009

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Dear Chairman Leahy, Ranking Member Specter and Members:

I am writing to enthusiastically support the nomination of Lanny Breuer to be Assistant Attorney General of the U.S. Justice Department's Criminal Division.

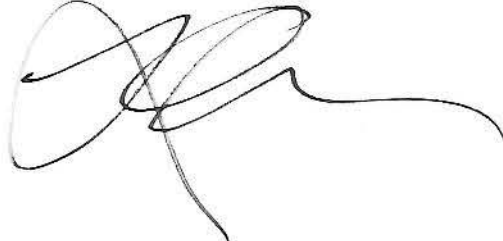
Lanny enjoys a distinguished record as a prosecutor in the District Attorney's Office of the County of New York under Robert M. Morgenthau, one of our nation's most senior and respected District Attorneys. Lanny also has a very successful white collar criminal defense practice in which he represents both individuals and corporations.

I have worked with Lanny on one case and can personally attest to his passion for his work, his deep professionalism and his total commitment to the client. Simply put, Lanny is a superb lawyer.

Having worked both sides of the street so to speak, Lanny will truly understand the tremendous power he will have as the head of the Justice Department's Criminal Division and will exercise that power, in the words of former Attorney General Robert Jackson, in ways that are "dispassionate, reasonable and just."

We truly are fortunate to have a lawyer of Lanny's ability offer for public service.

Sincerely,

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Dear Mr. Chairman and Senator Specter:

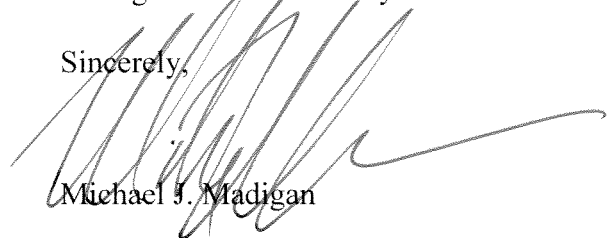
I am pleased to support the nomination of Lanny Breuer to become the next Assistant Attorney General of the Criminal Division. I dealt with Lanny extensively when I served as Chief Counsel for the Senate Government Operations Committee Investigation led by Senator Fred Thompson. Lanny served as Special Counsel to President Clinton and was our main contact on an almost daily basis for a year. The Committee held 33 days of highly publicized and often contentious hearings. I came to respect Lanny greatly and admired his legal skills and straight forward approach to all issues. He was a true professional throughout a very difficult, but important, legislative process.

Lanny and I also are, and have been for several years, Members of the Edward Bennett Williams Inn of Court. I have had the opportunity to work with him there and to observe his considerable talents.

Finally, Lanny's background as a Criminal White Collar Defense lawyer for the last 10 years coupled with his previous experience as a Prosecutor make him very well qualified for his new position.

I am confident that Lanny will make an outstanding Assistant Attorney General.

Sincerely,



Michael J. Madigan



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February 18, 2009

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The Honorable Arlen Specter
Ranking Member, United States Senate Committee on the Judiciary
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Dear Chairman Leahy and Ranking Member Specter:

I am writing to express my strong support for the nomination of Lanny Breuer to be the Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division. Mr. Breuer is an individual of the highest competence, integrity, and professionalism who will bring a tremendous breadth of experience and expertise to the Department of Justice and the Criminal Division. Mr. Breuer has the judgment, commitment, and experience to lead the Division and to oversee the Division's fair, impartial, and full enforcement of federal criminal law.

I served in the Department of Justice's Civil Rights Division, Criminal Section, from 2001 to 2005, and I care deeply about the Department and its mission. Currently, as Attorney General for the State of New Jersey, I am the chief law enforcement officer in the state, overseeing the state's twenty-one county prosecutors, the State Police, and the Division of Criminal Justice. I welcome the opportunity to work with Mr. Breuer and a reinvigorated Criminal Division in marshalling and coordinating resources to address shared federal and state criminal justice priorities.

Mr. Breuer brings the highest qualifications to the position of Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division. Throughout his career, he has complemented his commitment



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to public service with a demonstrated expertise at navigating the difficult issues surrounding complex criminal investigations. In whatever sphere he has functioned, Mr. Breuer has done so with an unfailing commitment to personal and professional integrity. He began his career at the Manhattan District Attorney's office, gaining front-line insights into the nature of state prosecutions, law enforcement, and the benefits of cooperation and coordination between federal and state law enforcement. Although my tenure at the Manhattan District Attorney's Office did not overlap with that of Mr. Breuer, I am confident that his time as an assistant district attorney contributed immensely to his skills, judgment, and experience in prosecuting criminal offenses. Since that time, he has excelled in representing clients in some of the nations' most important and complex investigations and litigation, sharing with them the benefits of his guidance, temperament, and judgment.

Mr. Breuer will serve the public, the Division, and the Department of Justice well, holding himself and his colleagues to the highest standards of professionalism and commitment to the rule of law.

Sincerely yours,

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Anne Milgram
Attorney General



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Dear Chairman Leahy and Ranking Member Specter:

On behalf of the 56 state and territory domestic violence coalition members of the National Network to End Domestic Violence (NNEDV), I am pleased to express support for the nomination of Lanny A. Breuer, as Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division at the U.S. Department of Justice.

With more than twenty years as a distinguished attorney, Mr. Breuer has the acumen to lead the Criminal Division and enforce federal criminal laws. As co-chair of Covington & Burling's White Collar Defense and Investigations practice group, Mr. Breuer skillfully litigated high-profile corporate and political cases involving complex legal issues. Having served as Special Counsel to President Clinton, Mr. Breuer advised the President and White House staff on all legal matters, including congressional oversight investigations and the presidential impeachment proceedings. Mr. Breuer has received numerous honors, including named a fellow in the American College of Trial Lawyers and was selected as a top white collar criminal defense lawyer in the 2009 edition of *Best Lawyers in America*.

We applaud President Obama for his selection of Mr. Breuer to be the Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division at the Department of Justice. President Obama's choice of Mr. Breuer reflects the commitment of the Obama-Biden Administration to assisting victims of crime --including crimes against women. Mr. Breuer's illustrious career as a leading litigator makes him an excellent candidate for Assistant Attorney General and I am certain that his leadership will greatly benefit victims. NNEDV urges his swift confirmation. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Tralonne R. Shorter, Public Policy Director at [REDACTED] or via email at [REDACTED].

Sincerely,

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February 20, 2009

The Honorable Patrick J. Leahy, Chairman
The Honorable Arlen Specter, Ranking Member
Senate Committee on the Judiciary
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Dear Chairman Leahy and Ranking Member Specter:

As the National President of the Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association (FLEOA), a 26,000 member nonprofit, nonpartisan organization representing federal law enforcement officers, I am writing to you in support of the appointment of Lanny Breuer for the position of Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division.

FLEOA's membership includes criminal investigators and officers from over 60 Federal law enforcement agencies including the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms, Department of Justice, Office of the Inspector General, United States Marshals Service and many others. All of our members serving in these agencies have sacrificed a great deal while supporting their agency's formidable mission. They are the frontline of our nation's defense, and we need to ensure that they are led by a qualified team of professionals who have consummate experience in law enforcement issues.

As Assistant Attorney General for the United States, Lanny Breuer will manage the Criminal Division and will work closely with the 93 United States Attorney's across our nation. His position will be of the utmost importance to all Federal criminal investigators.

Mr. Breuer started his career as a prosecutor for the Manhattan District Attorney's Office in New York. While at the Manhattan DA's Office Mr. Breuer prosecuted a wide range of criminal cases. He then went into private practice defending white collar criminal cases and later was appointed as Special Counsel during the Clinton administration.

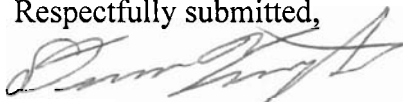
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Mr. Breuer has been asked to be a part of the President's and Attorney General's team to implement the Obama-Biden Administration's priorities of strong law enforcement, and a restoration of robust state and local support.

I am confident that Lanny Breuer possesses the requisite knowledge, experience and leadership ability that will serve as an asset to the Department of Justice and to the American people.

Please don't hesitate to call should you require any additional input from FLEOA regarding the qualifications of Mr. Breuer. We look forward to working with him and other senior members of the Department of Justice in the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,


F.L. J. Adler
National President



February 20, 2009

The Honorable Patrick Leahy, Chairman
The Honorable Arlen Specter, Ranking Member
Committee on the Judiciary, U.S. Senate
Dirksen Senate Office Building, Room 224
Washington, DC 20510

Re: Nomination of Lanny Breuer to be Assistant Attorney General
for the Criminal Division, U.S. Department of Justice

Dear Senators Leahy and Specter:

The purpose of this letter is to explain why I believe Lanny Breuer is an ideal candidate to be Assistant Attorney General of the United States for the Criminal Division.

I assume you have heard from many others about Lanny Breuer's intelligence, his skill as a lawyer and his high standards of personal and professional ethics. In this letter I wish to highlight another important quality, given the position for which he has been nominated by President Barack Obama: he is committed to making American neighborhoods safe places to live and raise children. I know this to be true because I have seen him live this commitment through action.

To defend this statement requires me to digress and explain the circumstances through which we met. In 1990, I moved to 821 Elder St in Washington, DC with my wife Dr. Margaret Blair. Our house was just east of the main gate of Walter Reed Army Medical Center, in a neighborhood of modest houses sandwiched between Shepherd Park on the west and Takoma Park, Maryland on the east. The neighborhood did not have a name, though we later gave it one: G-FEDDS, shorthand for "Georgia, Fern, Elder, Dahlia, Dogwood and connecting numbered streets."

We have since moved and I now live with my family in Nashville, Tennessee, but I look back on our years on Elder Street with great fondness. It was one of those neighborhoods that people talk about but rarely see in America: a mix of renters and homeowners, retirees and young couples, integrated by race and class, and all within a long walk or a short drive from the Metro and small businesses ranging from a Caribbean ice cream store to great Mexican food.

Shortly after we moved in I asked a neighbor about the firecrackers, which seemed to go off randomly during the night. He laughed, and patiently explained that what I thought was the sound of firecrackers was actually gunfire. He speculated that there was renewed competition for control over the lucrative drug market at Fern and Georgia, two short blocks from my house, or perhaps the dealers were having trouble collecting on their debts.

Conversations had been going on for some time among my neighbors about what to do, and shortly after that first exchange I was invited with others to meet Mr. James Foreman, a well-known organizer from Anacostia in S.E. D.C. Foreman was an advocate of direct nonviolent action against drug dealing. He explained that the best way to disrupt a drug market was to on bright orange hats and go during the peak of drug-selling hours and stand. To be frank, I was stunned. My way of dealing with such problems was to have meetings and dialogue. Foreman answered, "What we need to do is to walk. Starting tomorrow night."

It was with considerable trepidation that seven of us donned bright orange hats given to us by Mr. Foreman and walked to the corner of Fern and Georgia, and stood at the front door of the Hummingbird Bar the next evening.

The small knot of drug dealers working sauntered away, and for those two hours the drug market was shut down. We were elated until Mr. Foreman explained that we needed to come back the next night, and the next.

For several months we followed his advice, and for two hours each evening things settled down. Unfortunately, the market reopened as soon as we left each night. We learned a lot by walking together and talking to police officers, long-time neighbors and others. It became apparent that, as long as the Hummingbird remained open, our efforts would be unavailing. It was the dealers' headquarters and a cover for their buyers.

Armed with this knowledge we went to the law firm of Covington & Burling and asked if a member of the firm would be willing to represent our neighborhood to seek an injunction to close the Bar. The person who volunteered to represent us on a *pro bono* basis was Lanny Breuer.

Lanny represented the G-FEDDS neighborhood for the next two years, and I noticed several things about him. Although we were a *pro bono* client of the firm, he treated us with the utmost respect and deference. Our group included retired postal workers as well as PhD's, and he listened attentively to each person. He was at ease with people of all ages and races and they quickly accepted him as "our lawyer." More important than anything else, he communicated to us that our desire for a safe neighborhood was as legitimate and important as the constitutional claims that might normally be the subject of *pro bono* work at Covington & Burling.

Not only was he sympathetic with our cause, he pursued a legal strategy that empowered us instead of leaving us in the back of the courtroom. Rather than pursue a nuisance theory in court which could have taken years for discovery and waiting for trial, he dug into the law governing bars and restaurants that sell alcohol. He discovered that the Hummingbird was licensed as a restaurant although it acted like a bar, and furthermore the prior owner had sold it to the current operator without approval by the Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Board.

I will not go into the legal arguments, except to say that the law and rules governing liquor stores, bars and restaurants that sell alcoholic beverages in DC are as arcane and complex as planned unit developments or bank fraud. Lanny fashioned an argument that persuaded the ABC Board to treat the Hummingbird's application for a license as a new one rather than a renewal;

by statute, a new license application, as distinguished from a renewal, was subject to a special process for review by the neighbors, and would be *automatically* denied if a petition in opposition were to be signed by 75% of the registered voters within 1,000 feet. This automatic rejection mechanism was extremely important, as the ABC Board was well-known for leaning over backwards to take care of bar and restaurant owners.

After Lanny won this ruling we gathered signatures from over 90% of the registered voters living within 1000 feet of the Hummingbird. The owners' attorney challenged the signatures and the whole process, but he was no match for Lanny. The license was denied, the Hummingbird was closed, drug buyers and sellers apparently felt too exposed to make their deals without the restaurant for cover, and the drug market went away.

This certainly did not solve all problems in the neighborhood. The neighborhood later took legal action to close two crack houses and block an attempt to reopen the Hummingbird, but Lanny's capable representation was a turning point in several ways:

- Lanny helped the neighborhood stand up against a powerful drug dealing organization for the first time, giving us a feeling that we had both power and moral authority.
- Lanny's involvement drew the attention of the police and the prosecutor (it helped that the dealers slashed the tires on my car and sprayed graffiti over walls in the neighborhood, flouting the neighborhood in a way law enforcement could not ignore). The dominant drug organization in our area, the "Fern Street Crew," would become the target of Eric Holder's first RICO action after he became U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia.
- Finally, Lanny set an important precedent among major law firms in D.C. when he chose to represent our neighborhood and to defend our right to a safe and secure environment. Up until that time, there was a sort of "glass ceiling" that restricted *pro bono* work to individual rights, constitutional claims and the representation of indigent clients. This was one of the first cases in DC where a big firm accepted a middle class neighborhood as its client with the eradication of a drug market as the goal of the representation. Repeated many times since, Lanny was the one who broke the glass ceiling; many neighborhoods in DC benefitted in subsequent years.

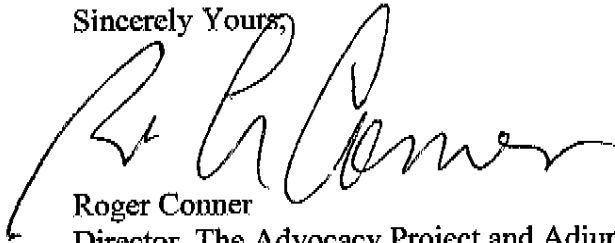
I have a vivid recollection of the raucous celebration of our victory that took place at a Mexican restaurant one block away from the shuttered Hummingbird. In a small way, the feelings experienced by millions of Americans on Inauguration day were present that night. White and Black, Latino and Anglo, old and young, old-timers and newly arrived families, a K street law firm and a middle class neighborhood, together we had done a good thing. It was a moment to savor.

We made Lanny speak last, and after our applause died down he delivered a brief response and, in the process, revealed one other personal characteristic that will serve him well as an Assistant U.S. Attorney. Several earlier speakers had called him "the essential man" in our crusade, but he would have none of it. His comments went far beyond the required ritual demurrals, and

underneath the words was a deep humility, a clear recognition that no one person, not even one as gifted as he, accomplishes meaningful change working alone. Washington is full of people who take credit for other people's accomplishments in order to build up their ego and clout. Lanny Breuer is just the opposite, and I predict that this attribute will inspire people around him to do their best, for the Department and also for him.

In conclusion, words are cheap, so I prefer to judge people by their actions. Lanny Breuer invested time, energy, creativity and resourcefulness to make my neighborhood in DC a safer place for people to live and raise children. Along the way he demonstrated qualities that our country needs in the Assistant Attorney General of the United States for the Criminal Division. I hope you will promptly confirm him.

Sincerely Yours,

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Dear Chairman Leahy and Ranking Member Specter:

I write in support of President Barack Obama's nomination of Lanny Breuer for the position of Assistant Attorney General in the United States Justice Department's Criminal Division.

Mr. Breuer has been asked by President Obama to be an integral part of the Justice Department team that will be charged with implementing the new administration's priorities, including strengthening law enforcement, fighting corporate crime, and restoring long-missing robust federal support for, and relations with, state and local law enforcement. The need for a strong leader to oversee these priorities is crucial and I believe Mr. Breuer's extensive and varied experience makes him the right person for this important job.

With a background that includes prosecutorial experience investigating and prosecuting a range of criminal cases, serving as a white collar defense attorney, and serving as a special counsel in the Clinton Administration, Mr. Breuer is no stranger to the issues that would fall under his jurisdiction should he be confirmed. Based on his experience and past performance, I am confident he will provide leadership in all of these areas.

Manhattan District Attorney Robert Morgenthau, for whom Mr. Breuer served as an Assistant District Attorney, has already written in strong support of his nomination. I am honored to join with D.A. Morgenthau in encouraging swift confirmation of Lanny Breuer as Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division of the United States Justice Department.

Warmest regards.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "A. Cuomo", written over a horizontal line.

ANDREW M. CUOMO

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February 23, 2009

Honorable Patrick J. Leahy, Chairman
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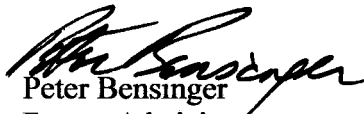
Re: Lanny Breuer – Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division, U.S. Dept. of Justice

Dear Chairman Leahy and Ranking Member Specter,

We are writing you to support the nomination of Mr. Lanny Breuer to be Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division of the U.S. Department of Justice. As former Administrators of the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, we understand the significance of this position and are confident that Mr. Breuer will discharge his responsibilities with integrity and effectiveness. We are familiar with Mr. Breuer's professional background and are confident that his leadership of the criminal division will service the country and the Department of Justice very well.

Mr. Breuer has served as an Assistant District Attorney in New York City under the direction of Bob Morgenthau who also endorses his appointment. He has extensive experience not only in criminal law, but with pharmaceutical litigation, national security matters, public integrity issues and international fraud. Mr. Breuer recognizes the importance of working closely with law enforcement agencies and has been recognized by his peers for his reputation for fairness and integrity. We recommend him to the Judiciary Committee for the position of Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division of the United States Department of Justice.

Sincerely,



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February 24, 2009

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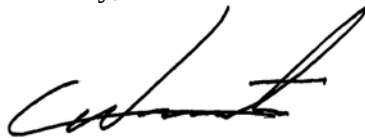
Dear Chairman Leahy and Ranking Member Specter:

On behalf of more than 22,000 drug court professionals - representing judges, prosecutors, public defenders, probation officers, law enforcement officers, court administrations, substance abuse treatment professionals and community leaders - it gives me great pride to support the nomination of Lanny A. Breuer for the position of Assistant Attorney General of the Criminal Justice Division at the Department of Justice (DOJ).

From his experience as successful criminal prosecutor, Special Counsel in the Clinton Administration, and more recently in private practice working on a wide range of high profile and complex legal cases, Mr. Breuer has demonstrated that he has the depth and experience to uphold public trust and help restore integrity to the Criminal Division at the DOJ. In addition, as a former prosecutor Mr. Breuer is ideally suited to ensure the strong enforcement against dangerous criminals while restoring a robust relationship with state and local law enforcement officials.

Thank you in advance for consideration of our support.

Sincerely,



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Dear Senators Leahy and Specter:

On behalf of the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children (NCMEC), I am writing to express our strong support of the nomination of Lanny Breuer as the Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division of the U.S. Department of Justice.

For 25 years NCMEC has worked very closely with the Justice Department. Many of our congressionally-authorized duties require frequent interaction with the Criminal Division, specifically the Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section. We have testified before congressional committees alongside previous Assistant Attorneys General for the Criminal Division on our issues, policies and common goals in the fight against child sexual exploitation.

Mr. Breuer is deeply committed to helping to prevent child victimization. He has visited NCMEC and seen first-hand the programs and services that NCMEC provides to federal law enforcement and prosecutors, as well as to state and local agencies. His experience as a former prosecutor and defense attorney, as well as his dedication to public service, greatly enhance this commitment. As a former Special Counsel to President Clinton, he is adept at handling sensitive matters, which will prove invaluable in the Criminal Division's work involving child victims of sexual exploitation.

The Justice Department and the children of America will benefit from Mr. Breuer's leadership. I am confident that he will serve with honor and integrity. The National Center for Missing & Exploited Children is pleased to offer its unqualified support of his nomination.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ernie Allen".

Ernie Allen
President and Chief Executive
Officer

February 25, 2009

United States Senate
Committee on the Judiciary
224 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Re: Nomination of Lanny Breuer to be the Assistant Attorney General for the
Criminal Division

Dear Chairman Leahy, Ranking Member Specter and
Members of the Senate Judiciary Committee:

I write to support the nomination of Lanny Breuer to be the Assistant Attorney General for the
Criminal Division.

I have dealt with the Department of Justice for over 40 years in a variety of roles, both inside
and outside of the Department. It was my honor to serve in the Justice Department during the
Carter Administration (as the United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Michigan
1977-1980) and in the Clinton Administration (as the Assistant Attorney General for the
Criminal Division 1998-2001). I also served as President of the bipartisan National Association
of Former United States Attorneys in the early 80s. It was also my honor to serve as a member
of the Obama Administration Transition Team for the Justice Department.

I feel strongly that the Department is at a critical juncture in its history and that it requires the
best and brightest leadership possible. I expressed these views in an article published in the
most recent issue of the Harvard Law & Policy Review. See Robinson, Restoring Public
Confidence in the Fairness of the Department of Justice's Criminal Justice Function, 2 Harv L
& Pol Rev. 237 (2008). http://www/hlpronline.com/Robinson_HLPR.pdf

I know Lanny Breuer from a variety of professional associations, including the American
College of Trial Lawyers and our work in the Edward Bennett Williams White Collar Crime
Inn of Court. In addition, I have had an opportunity to meet with Lanny to discuss the
challenges facing the Criminal Division going forward and to assess his commitment to the
responsibilities of this important position. Lanny will bring a wealth of important criminal law
experience to the Criminal Division--his service as a prosecutor in Manhattan, his work as
Special Counsel to President Clinton, and his extensive white collar criminal practice. I am

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United States Senate
February 25, 2009

convinced that Lanny will be a vigorous and effective leader of the Criminal Division and that he is fully committed to restoring the public confidence in the fairness of the Department's criminal justice function.

I am pleased to lend my support to Lanny Breuer's nomination and confident that he will do an outstanding job as Assistant Attorney General of the Department's Criminal Division.

Sincerely,



James K. Robinson

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25 February 2009

The Honorable Patrick Leahy
The Honorable Arlen Specter
Committee on the Judiciary
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RE: Recommendation of Lanny A. Breuer to be Assistant Attorney General of
the Criminal Division

Dear Chairman Leahy and Ranking Member Specter:

On behalf of the National District Attorneys Association, the oldest and largest national association of State and local prosecutors, I wish to convey our support for Lanny Breuer to become the Assistant Attorney General of the Criminal Division of the Department of Justice.

State and local prosecutors handle 95% of the criminal prosecutions nationally; yet too often we feel that our perspective is not heard in Washington. Mr. Breuer met with president-elect Chiles and me. His experiences as an assistant district attorney in Manhattan, from misdemeanors to felony gang trials to murder give him a perspective that prosecutors who have only seen the federal system lack. He left prosecution because of the need to deal with student loans. As implementation and funding of the John R. Justice Prosecutors and Defenders Incentive Act is a top priority for NDAA, we have Mr. Breuer's understanding and assurance he will be a supporter of that effort.

Mr. Breuer has been involved in complex litigation, has served as a trainer in litigation programs and appreciates the need for top caliber training for state and local prosecutors. His assistance in implementing training for state and local prosecutors at the National Advocacy Center will benefit the entire criminal justice system.

Mr. Breuer has assured us that he will work to improve working relationships and communication between the various law enforcement and prosecution systems. He has promised to maintain contacts with NDAA. Based on his experience and responses we urge the Judiciary Committee members to give him a favorable confirmation vote.

Sincerely,

Joseph I. Cassilly
President
National District Attorneys Association

Richard D. Perkins

Retired Chief of Police, City of Henderson
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February 27, 2009

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

Dear Senators Leahy and Specter,

I write today to offer my wholehearted support of Lanny Breuer's nomination to be Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division at the Department of Justice. Based on the work he has done for me as an attorney and as his upright and just character, I have little doubt Mr. Breuer will serve his country well in this capacity.

Mr. Breuer worked with me in his capacity as an Attorney at Covington & Burling LLP. and have kept in touch with him since. At the time, I was a Deputy Chief of Police for the City of Henderson, the second-largest city in Nevada. His understanding of law enforcement and its interface with our courts and the legal superstructure impressed me.

In my fourteen years in the Nevada legislature, I've dealt with a great many attorneys. Very few were as knowledgeable in any area of law as Mr. Breuer. Fewer still had his perspective, one that can only be bred through a depth and breadth of experience. When you combine Mr. Breuer's knowledge of law enforcement and his personal character, there is little doubt that he is more than qualified to serve his country as the Assistant Attorney General of the Criminal Division.

After years of controversy in the Justice Department, Lanny Breuer is exactly the sort of attorney whose personal ethics and character will restore public confidence in this process. I have no reservation in offering you and your committee my full endorsement of his candidacy for this position.

Sincerely,



Richard D. Perkins

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February 28, 2009

The Honorable Patrick Leahy, Chairman
The Honorable Arlen Specter, Ranking Member
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Dirksen Senate Office Building, Room 224
Washington, DC 20510

Re: Nomination of Lanny Breuer to be Assistant Attorney General
for the Criminal Division, U.S. Department of Justice

Dear Senators Leahy and Specter:

The purpose of this letter is to explain why I believe Lanny Breuer is an ideal candidate to be Assistant Attorney General of the United States for the Criminal Division.

I assume you have heard from many others about Lanny Breuer's intelligence, his skill as an advocate, and his high standards of personal and professional ethics. In this letter I wish to highlight another important quality, given the position for which he has been nominated by President Barack Obama: he is committed to making American neighborhoods safe places to live and raise children. I know this to be true because I have seen him live this commitment through action.

To defend this statement requires me to digress and explain the circumstances through which we met. In 1990, I moved to 821 Elder St in Washington, DC with my wife Dr. Margaret Blair. Our house was just east of the main gate of Walter Reed Army Medical Center, in a neighborhood of modest houses sandwiched between Shepherd Park on the west and Takoma Park, Maryland on the east. The neighborhood did not have a name, though we later gave it one: G-FEDDS, shorthand for "Georgia, Fern, Elder, Dahlia, Dogwood and connecting numbered streets."

Margaret and I now live in Nashville, Tennessee, but we look back on our years on Elder Street with great fondness. It was one of those neighborhoods that people talk about but rarely see in America: a mix of renters and homeowners, retirees and young couples, integrated by race and class, and all within a long walk or a short drive from the Metro and small businesses ranging from a Caribbean ice cream store to great Mexican food.

Shortly after we moved in I asked a neighbor about the firecrackers, which seemed to go off randomly during the night. He laughed, and patiently explained: what I thought was the sound of firecrackers was actually gunfire. He speculated that there was renewed competition for control over the lucrative drug market at Fern and Georgia, two short blocks from my house, or perhaps the dealers were having trouble collecting on their debts.

Conversations had been going on for some time among my neighbors about what to do, and shortly after that first exchange I was invited with others to meet Mr. James Foreman, a well known organizer from Anacostia. Foreman was an advocate of direct nonviolent action against drug dealing. He explained that the best way to disrupt a drug market was to on bright orange hats and go during the peak of drug-selling hours and stand. To be frank, I was stunned. My way of dealing with such problems was to have meetings and dialogue. Forman answered, "What we need to do is to walk. Starting tomorrow night."

It was with considerable trepidation that seven of us donned bright orange hats given to us by Mr. Foreman the next evening, walked to the corner of Fern and Georgia, and stood at the front door of the Hummingbird Restaurant.

The small knot of drug dealers working the corner sauntered away, and for the next two hours the drug market was shut down. We were elated until Mr. Foreman explained that we needed to come back the next night, and the next.

For several months we followed his advice, and for two hours each evening things settled down. Unfortunately, the market reopened as soon as we left each night. We learned a lot by walking together and talking to police officers, neighbors, and anyone else who would stop by. It became apparent that, as long as the Hummingbird remained open, our efforts would be unavailing. It was the dealers' headquarters and a cover for their buyers.

Armed with this knowledge we went to the law firm of Covington & Burling and asked if a member of the firm would be willing to represent our neighborhood to seek an injunction to close the Bar. The person who volunteered to represent us on a *pro bono* basis was Lanny Breuer.

Lanny represented the G-FEDDS neighborhood for the next two years, and I noticed several things about him. Although we were a *pro hono* client of the firm, he treated us with the utmost respect and deference. Our group included retired postal workers as well as PhD's, and he listened attentively to each person. He was at ease with people of all ages and races and they quickly accepted him as "our lawyer." More important than anything else, he communicated to us that our desire for a safe neighborhood was as legitimate and important as the constitutional claims that might normally be the subject of *pro bono* work at Covington & Burling.

Not only was he sympathetic with our cause, he pursued a legal strategy that empowered us instead of leaving us in the back of the courtroom. Rather than pursue a nuisance theory in court which could have taken years for discovery and trial, he dug into the law governing bars and restaurants that sell alcohol. He discovered that the Hummingbird was licensed as a

restaurant although it acted like a bar, and furthermore the prior owner had sold it to the current operator without approval by the Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Board.

I will not go into the legal arguments, except to say that the law and rules governing liquor stores, bars and restaurants that sell alcoholic beverages in DC are as arcane and complex as planned unit developments or bank fraud. Lanny fashioned an argument that persuaded the ABC Board to treat the Hummingbird's application for a license as a new one rather than a renewal; by statute, a new license application, as distinguished from a renewal, was subject to a special process for review by the neighbors; it would be automatically denied if a petition in opposition were to be signed by 75% of the registered voters living within 1,000 feet. This automatic rejection mechanism was extremely important, as the ABC Board was well-known for leaning over backwards to take care of bar and restaurant owners.

After Lanny won this ruling we gathered signatures from over 90% of the registered voters living within 1000 feet of the Hummingbird. The owners' attorney later challenged the signatures and the whole process, but he was no match for Lanny. The license was denied, the Hummingbird was closed, drug buyers and sellers apparently felt too exposed to make their deals without the restaurant for cover, and the drug market went away.

This certainly did not solve all problems in the neighborhood. The neighborhood later took legal action to close two crack houses and block an attempt to reopen the Hummingbird, but Lanny's capable representation was a turning point in several ways:

- Lanny helped the neighborhood stand up against a powerful drug dealing organization for the first time, giving us a feeling that we had both power and moral authority.
- Lanny's involvement drew the attention of the police and the prosecutor (it helped that the dealers slashed the tires on my car and sprayed graffiti over fences and walls, flouting the neighborhood in a way law enforcement could not ignore). The "Fern Street Crew," as they were known, would eventually become the subject of the first RICO action filed by Eric Holder after he became U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia.
- Finally, Lanny set an important precedent among major law firms in Washington, DC when he chose to represent our neighborhood and defend our right to a safe and secure environment. Up until that time, there was a sort of "glass ceiling" that restricted *pro bono* work to individual rights, constitutional claims and the representation of indigent clients. This was one of the first cases in DC where a big firm accepted a middle class neighborhood as its client, or the eradication of a drug market is the goal of representation. Repeated many times since, Lanny was the one who did it first; many neighborhoods in DC benefitted subsequently.

I have a vivid recollection of the raucous celebration of our victory that took place at a Mexican restaurant one block away from the shuttered Hummingbird. In a small way, the feelings that would be experienced by millions of Americans on Inauguration day, 2009 were present that night. White and Black, Latino and Anglo, old and young, old-timers and newly arrived families, a K street law firm and a middle class neighborhood, together we had done a good thing. It was a

moment to savor.

We made Lanny speak last, and after our applause died down he delivered a brief response. In the process he revealed one other personal characteristic that will serve him well as an Assistant Attorney General. Several speakers had called him "the essential man" in our crusade, but he would have none of it. His comments went far beyond a ritual demurral, and beneath the words was sincere humility, a clear recognition that no one person alone, not even one as gifted as he, accomplishes meaningful change without others working alongside who deserve as much credit, or more.

Washington is full of people who take credit for other people's accomplishments in order to build up their ego and clout. Lanny Breuer is just the opposite, and I predict that this attribute will inspire people around him to do their best, for the Department and also for him.

In conclusion, words are cheap, so I prefer to judge people by their actions. Lanny Breuer invested time, energy, creativity and resourcefulness to make my neighborhood in DC a safer place for people to live and raise children. Along the way he demonstrated qualities that our country needs in the Assistant Attorney General of the United States for the Criminal Division. I hope you will promptly confirm him.

Sincerely Yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Roger L. Ammer".

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The Honorable Arlen Specter
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Dear Messrs. Leahy and Specter:

On behalf of the Major Cities Chiefs, I am writing to support the nomination of Lanny A. Breuer to become Assistant Attorney General of the Criminal Division. The Major Cities Chiefs represents the 56 largest jurisdictions across the Nation.

Mr. Breuer has a distinguished career and we welcome his pledge to strengthen the partnership between state and local law enforcement and the Department of Justice.

After meeting with Mr. Breuer, we found him open and very interested in the concerns of our members and look forward to working with him throughout his term. The Criminal Division and the U.S. Attorneys he will lead are crucial in our mutual efforts to control crime and drug trafficking in our cities.

American law enforcement has always looked to you for leadership and we again turn to you to move the nomination of Lanny A. Breuer quickly through the confirmation process.

Sincerely,

Robert Davis
Chief of Police
San Jose, California
Vice President

Matthew W. Friedrich

March 3, 2009

VIA REGULAR MAIL

United States Senate
Committee on the Judiciary
224 Dirksen Senate Office Building
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Dear Chairman Leahy, Ranking Member Specter and Members:

I write to offer my strong support to the nomination of Lanny Breuer to serve as the Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division.

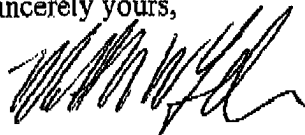
As you may know, I served as the Acting Assistant Attorney General of the Division in the final eight months of the Bush Administration. I thus have an understanding of the requirements and challenges of this position.

Lanny comes before this Committee with a wealth of experience both as a prosecutor and as a private practitioner. Lanny served for four years as an Assistant District Attorney in Manhattan. In private practice, he has participated in a broad range of complex and high-profile matters including many of national significance. I know that Lanny is held in high-regard within the legal community, and within the Edward Bennett Williams Inn of Court of which we are both members. Also impressive are the accounts I have heard of Lanny's pro bono representation of a neighborhood association in a crime-plagued area within the District.

Based on my interactions with Lanny, I believe that, if confirmed, he will bring to the Department a high degree of professionalism, a heartfelt pride in serving alongside career prosecutors, and a firm commitment to making prosecutive decisions on the merits.

I am pleased to give my strong support to his nomination.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Matthew W. Friedrich', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Matthew W. Friedrich

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March 3, 2009

The Honorable Patrick Leahy
Chairman

The Honorable Arlen Specter
Ranking Member

Senate Committee on the Judiciary
224 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Leahy and Ranking Member Specter:

On behalf of the National Narcotic Officers' Associations' Coalition (NNOAC) and the more than 70,000 law enforcement officers we represent, I'm pleased to offer my full support for the nomination of Lanny A. Breuer for the office of Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division within the United States Department of Justice.

As state and local law enforcement continue to battle home-grown criminals across America, we look forward to working with an Assistant Attorney General who appreciates the challenges we face. While serving in a number of key positions in the past – including serving as an Assistant District Attorney in Manhattan, as Special Counsel to President Clinton and as partner with Covington & Burling LLP, specializing in white collar crime – Mr. Breuer has built an impressive track record of policy and managerial experience and understands the importance of working closely with state and local law enforcement on issues that matter most to America's communities.

Mr. Breuer possesses an outstanding mix of legal, managerial and policy expertise desperately needed within the Department of Justice. The NNOAC membership has been pleased with recent statements by President Obama and Attorney General Holder on state and local law enforcement assistance programs – including the Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) program – and look forward to working with Mr. Breuer to ensure a strong working relationship between the Department and state and local law enforcement.

Mr. Breuer is a dedicated and well qualified professional and we can think of no one more qualified than he to serve as United States Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division. Please feel free to contact me at rbrooks@nca.hidta.net or (415) 748-0835 if you require further information as you work through the nomination process. Correspondence may be sent directly to me at PO Box 36102, San Francisco, CA 94102. Thank you again for taking time to review our position.

Sincerely,



Ronald E. Brooks
President



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March 6, 2009

The Honorable Patrick Leahy
Chairman
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United States Senate
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The Honorable Arlen Specter
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Dear Chairman Leahy and Ranking Member Specter:

On behalf of the National Association of Police Organizations (NAPO), representing more than 241,000 law enforcement officers throughout the United States, I am writing to advise you of our endorsement of the nomination of Lanny A. Breuer for Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division.

Mr. Breuer is a nationally recognized litigator with a distinguished career both in the private and public sectors. He began his career as prosecutor for the Manhattan District Attorney's Office in New York, during which he tried cases ranging from murder and domestic assault to armed robbery and gang crimes. He then went into the private practice defending white collar criminal cases and later was appointed special counsel to the Clinton administration.

As Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division, Mr. Breuer would formulate and implement criminal enforcement policy and provide advice and assistance on that policy. Additionally, he would provide leadership for coordinating federal, state, and local law enforcement matters. NAPO believes Mr. Breuer's experience as a local prosecutor will be invaluable to the position as well as to the collaboration of federal, state and local law enforcement in criminal investigations and prosecutions.

We believe Mr. Breuer has the knowledge and experience necessary to aid in the development of an effective multilateral national crime-fighting strategy in which state and local law enforcement play a key role. Therefore, we urge you to confirm the nomination of Lanny A. Breuer for Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me, or NAPO's Director of Governmental Affairs, Andrea Mournighan, at (703) 549-0775.

Sincerely,

William J. Johnson
Executive Director

SIMONE E. ROSS



March 6, 2009

The Honorable Patrick J. Leahy, Chairman
The Honorable Arlen Specter, Ranking Member
Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
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Re: Nomination of Lanny A. Breuer

Dear Senators Leahy and Specter:

I write in support of the nomination of Lanny A. Breuer to serve as the Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division in the U.S. Department of Justice ("the Department").

I met Lanny nearly 14 years ago when I joined the law firm of Covington & Burling LLP as an associate, and I have worked closely with him during the nearly eight years I have practiced at Covington as an associate and now as an of counsel. Lanny is one of the finest litigators whom I know and, in all matters, is a creative and zealous advocate grounded by impeccable integrity and judgment, respect for others, and a deep commitment to the rule of law. I consider myself fortunate to have been mentored by Lanny, not only during my earlier years of legal practice in the private sector, but also during the years I spent practicing in the Department as an Assistant United States Attorney ("AUSA") in the District of Columbia and an Assistant Counsel in the Office of Professional Responsibility, which investigates allegations of misconduct involving Department attorneys and law enforcement personnel. As an African-American female who frequently finds myself in professional settings dominated by men, Lanny has always encouraged me to embrace my uniqueness and draw upon my background as an asset to advance my clients' interests and the cause of justice.

I was born and raised in Washington, D.C., and I presently serve as Vice President of the Citizens Advisory Council ("CAC") to the Metropolitan Police Department's Second District. Serving as an AUSA in Washington and participating in the CAC as a member and now Vice President, has strengthened my appreciation for the importance of our federal and local law enforcement leaders forging partnerships with citizens to make our communities safer. One of

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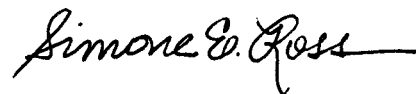
the many qualities that I believe will serve Lanny well should he be confirmed is his commitment to building and safe-guarding our communities. Lanny has demonstrated this commitment in many ways, including his prior public service as an Assistant District Attorney in Manhattan and his prior tenure as Vice Chair of Covington's Pro Bono Committee.

Several years ago, Lanny represented a group of Washington residents alarmed by drug dealing near the Hummingbird Bar on Georgia Avenue not far from Walter Reed Hospital. In an effort to disrupt the drug activity, the residents formed an Orange Hat patrol and stood outside the Hummingbird during peak hours. The drug dealers scattered while the Orange Hat patrol was present but quickly returned and resumed their illicit activity when the residents returned to their homes. Lanny successfully challenged the Hummingbird's license, which was revoked, and in so doing, helped the residents take back a degree of control of their neighborhood. For seven years I lived in Shepherd Park, not far from Georgia Avenue where the Hummingbird was, and during that time I witnessed a transformation, still underway, of the Georgia Avenue corridor into a more reputable business district. Efforts like Lanny's helped make this transformation possible.

Lanny's work to shut down the Hummingbird is just one example of not only his dedication to safer and sustainable communities, but also of his ability to work with people of diverse backgrounds to accomplish a common goal. As someone who has practiced law with Lanny and has come to know him well, and as a former Justice Department attorney who served during a period of considerable public scrutiny into the Department's activities, I have every confidence that Lanny will work tirelessly to ensure that the Department administers justice by protecting the interests of all of our citizens, free of political favoritism, bias or other discrimination. While I will sorely miss working with Lanny, I am comforted by the knowledge that his service as the Assistant Attorney General of the Criminal Division will benefit our Nation and continue to advance the Department's core values.

Thank you for your consideration of this letter. I would be happy to answer any questions that you may have and respectfully ask that you promptly confirm Lanny A. Breuer as the next Assistant Attorney General of the Criminal Division.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Simone E. Ross". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Simone E. Ross



March 9, 2009

Honorable Patrick Leahy
Chairman
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United States Senate
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Honorable Arlen Specter
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Re: Nomination of Lanny Breuer for Assistant Attorney General

Dear Chairman Leahy and Senator Specter:

As organizations that have been working for decades to end domestic violence, dating violence sexual assault and stalking, we are writing to express our strong support for the nomination of **Lanny Breuer** to serve as Assistant Attorney General to lead the U.S. Department of Justice Criminal Division. We are confident that, through his leadership of this Division, he will work closely with groups like ours to identify and meet the most important needs of victims and survivors of domestic and sexual violence and their families.

As you know, the Criminal Division, which Mr. Breuer would lead, develops, enforces, and supervises the enforcement of federal criminal laws. Among those would be the federal violence against women statutes and the victims of trafficking statutes. Mr. Breuer evinces an understanding of the responsibilities of a prosecutor to represent the government in a manner that treats crime victims with fairness, dignity and respect.

Mr. Breuer started his successful career as a prosecutor in Manhattan where he spent almost five years investigating and prosecuting range of criminal cases. He's currently a partner at the law firm of Covington & Burling where he is vice-chair of the firm's Pro Bono Committee. While Mr. Breuer has limited direct experience working on cases involving domestic and sexual violence, he is quick to point out that "I know what I don't know." He has expressed a sincere commitment to work with domestic and sexual violence experts and advocates to learn the issues critical to protecting victims and holding perpetrators accountable for their crimes.

Mr. Breuer has been asked to be part of the President's and Attorney General's team to implement the Obama-Biden Administration's priorities of assisting victims of crime, strengthening and supporting crime prevention programs, restoring robust federal support for state and local law enforcement, and reviving a close working relationship with state and local organizations. With Attorney General Eric Holder at the helm of the Justice Department, and Lanny Breuer as one of his key deputies, we are confident that victims of violence, including women and children who have been brutalized by domestic violence, dating violence, sexual violence and stalking, will be well served by his leadership at the Department of Justice.

We appreciate your consideration of our recommendation, and respectfully urge your confirmation of Lanny Breuer.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Juley Fulcher at Break the Cycle, 202-824-0707.

Sincerely,

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

The Honorable Arlen Specter
Ranking Member
Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman and Senator Specter,

I am writing on behalf of the members of the Fraternal Order of Police to advise you of our support for Lanny A. Breuer to be the next Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division at the United States Department of Justice.

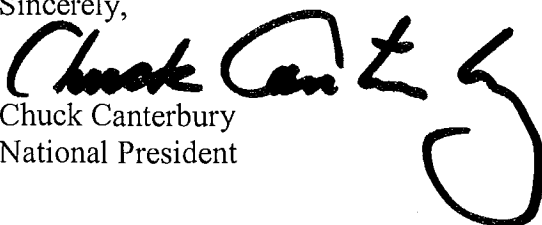
Mr. Breuer has an impressive record of public service, which began in 1985 as an Assistant District Attorney in Manhattan where he spent almost five years investigating and prosecuting a range of criminal cases. In 1989 Mr. Breuer left the District Attorney's office to work as a white collar defense attorney in high profile and extremely complex legal cases.

In 1999 Mr. Breuer joined Covington & Burling LLP, one of the top law firms in Washington, DC. Currently serving as a partner, Mr. Breuer co-chairs Covington's White Collar Defense and Investigations practice group and specializes in white collar criminal and civil litigation, internal corporate investigations, congressional investigations, and antitrust cartel proceedings.

It is indicative of his commitment to public service that Mr. Breuer has agreed to leave private practice to be an Assistant Attorney General. His wealth of litigation experience will be an asset to the Criminal Division, and I sincerely believe that both the Department of Justice and the Administration will be better off with his service to our nation.

On behalf of the more than 327,000 members of the Fraternal Order of Police, I urge you and your Committee to expeditiously confirm Mr. Breuer's nomination. If I can be of any further assistance in this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me or Executive Director Jim Pasco in my Washington office.

Sincerely,


Chuck Canterbury
National President



March 9, 2009

Dear Senator:

The National Partnership for Women & Families is proud to support the nomination of Lanny Breuer for Assistant Attorney General for the Justice Department's Criminal Division. Mr. Breuer possesses a wealth of experience in all aspects of criminal practice and is highly qualified for this position.

The National Partnership is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization that uses public education and advocacy to promote fairness in the workplace, quality health care, and policies that help women and men meet the dual demands of work and family. For over 30 years, we have fought against discrimination and fought for equal justice in the workplace. This includes working to ensure that the crimes where women are more likely to be victims, such as gender-related hate crimes, human trafficking, and domestic violence, are treated seriously. The position of Assistant Attorney General for the Justice Department's Criminal Division oversees all of these issues and can have an important effect on women's lives and safety.

We strongly believe that Mr. Breuer will carry out his duties at the Criminal Division with care, excellence, and attention to our shared concerns for protection of victims and crime prevention. As an experienced former Assistant U.S. Attorney and a partner at Covington & Burling, Mr. Breuer has represented numerous clients in complex, high-profile matters and repeatedly has been chosen as one of the best lawyers and litigators—not only in the region, but throughout the nation. Mr. Breuer has earned bipartisan praise for his integrity, persistence, and legal acumen, and will bring these qualities to bear to restore confidence in a Department which has lately suffered from improper politicization and loss of morale.

Lanny Breuer would bring diverse experience and a sterling reputation to the job of Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division. In consideration of these attributes, we ask that you join with us in enthusiastic support of his nomination.

Sincerely,

Debra Ness
President

ALICE S. FISHER



March 10, 2009

The Honorable Patrick J. Leahy
United States Senate
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The Honorable Arlen Specter
United States Senate
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Washington, D.C. 20510-3802

Dear Senators Leahy and Specter:

I am writing to give my strong support to the nomination of Lanny Breuer to serve as Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division.

I had the honor to serve as the Assistant Attorney General of the Criminal Division from 2005-2008. Accordingly, I am very familiar with the nature of the position for which Mr. Breuer is being nominated.

I have had the privilege of knowing Lanny both personally and professionally. My dealings with Lanny have been positive, as he approaches his matters with fairness and integrity. Lanny has the reputation in the legal community for fairness, intelligence and professionalism.

He has been a practitioner for many years and has handled a range of matters in the criminal arena. He has served as both a prosecutor and a defense attorney, and has served with distinction. He has handled very sensitive matters. He has been a leader for his law firm, Covington & Burling, and served as co-chair of the White Collar Defense and Investigations Practice Group. He also has a sense for public service, serving as his Firm's Vice-Chair of the pro bono committee. He has been recognized as a leading litigator. This broad experience will serve him well as Assistant Attorney General.

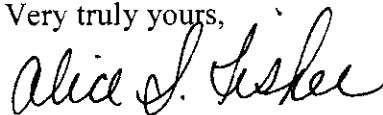
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I believe that Lanny will serve and lead the wonderful members of the Criminal Division at the Department of Justice, and I support and recommend him to be Assistant Attorney General.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alice S. Fisher". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned directly below the phrase "Very truly yours,".

Alice S. Fisher

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Re: Lanny Breuer, nominee DOJ AAG, Criminal Division

Dear Senators Leahy and Specter:

The President has nominated Lanny Breuer for the position of Assistant Attorney General in charge of the Criminal Division of the United States Department of Justice. I write to support his nomination.

You may remember that I have “some” knowledge about what it takes to run the Department’s Criminal Division, having done it in the early-1990s. In my judgment, the country is best served by an AAG with a strong, independent sense of fairness and justice which comes from broad exposure to all aspects of our criminal justice system, as a policy-maker, a prosecutor, a defense attorney and a trial lawyer. Moreover, to effectively manage the Division, the AAG needs to command the respect of a whole pantheon of individuals ranging from the Attorney General, to the United States Attorneys, to the career lawyers and agents on the ground. Mr. Breuer brings all of this to the job. In addition, in the present economic climate, his experience in the white collar enforcement arena is particularly important and relevant.

I urge you to quickly confirm Lanny Breuer.

Respectfully submitted,
Jo Ann Harris
Former Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division (1993-95)
United States Department of Justice

March 16, 2009

BY HAND

The Honorable Patrick J. Leahy
Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary
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Ranking Member, Committee on the Judiciary
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711 Hart Senate Office Building
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Re: Nomination of Lanny A. Breuer

Dear Senators Leahy and Specter:

I write in strong support of the nomination of Lanny A. Breuer to be the next Assistant Attorney General of the Criminal Division of the Department of Justice.

I had the honor of serving in the leadership of the Criminal Division during both the Clinton Administration (as Deputy Assistant Attorney General and Chief of Staff, 1999-2000) and the Bush Administration (as Chief of Staff, 2001-2002). From my first-hand experience, I fully appreciate the vital role that the Criminal Division plays in a wide range of critical issues facing our country, including the investigation and prosecution of white collar crime, the fight against cybercrime, the protection of our children from online predators, and the development of close working relationships with law enforcement agencies around the world. I also had the privilege during my service to work closely with two truly outstanding leaders of the Criminal Division, James K. Robinson and Michael Chertoff, and to see how they dealt with significant challenges every day.

In my opinion, Lanny Breuer will prove to be an outstanding leader of the Criminal Division. I have known Lanny for several years now as a result of our professional experiences as defense counsel, including our participation in the Edward Bennett Williams Inn of Court. Additionally, as a result of my prior service as a federal prosecutor in the Southern District of New York and Lanny's former service as an Assistant District Attorney in Manhattan, I have

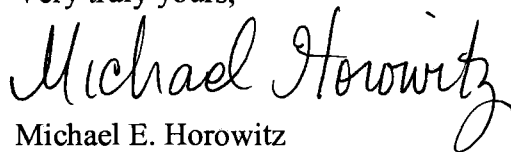
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Hon. Arlen Specter
March 16, 2009

come to appreciate the outstanding reputation that Lanny developed as both a prosecutor and trial lawyer. I also have spent considerable time recently speaking with Lanny about the Criminal Division and the many challenges that he is likely to face if confirmed. Given Lanny's wealth of criminal law experience, his impressive legal credentials, and his impeccable reputation for integrity and honesty, I have no doubt that he will aggressively pursue the mandate of the Criminal Division while at the same time recognizing the importance of prosecutorial discretion and the fair administration of justice.

In sum, Lanny has the wisdom and demonstrated judgment that should be expected of someone who has been chosen to lead the Criminal Division. I know he will be an outstanding Assistant Attorney General, and I support his nomination without reservation.

Very truly yours,


Michael E. Horowitz