

Testimony of

The Honorable John Warner

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SENATOR JOHN WARNER STATEMENT
TO THE SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE
ON THE NOMINATION OF JEFFREY SEDGWICK
TO BE ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL
FOR THE OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS
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Chairman Leahy, Senator Specter, and my distinguished colleagues on the Judiciary Committee, I am pleased to introduce to the Committee, Mr. Jeffrey Sedgwick, a Virginian, who has been nominated to serve as the Assistant Attorney General for the Office of Justice Programs.

As you know, the Office of Justice Programs, or OJP, serves to provide and coordinate information, research and development, statistics, training, and other support to the national justice community to facilitate the improvement of public safety in states and localities throughout the United States.

Mr. Sedgwick has served as the Acting Assistant Attorney General for OJP since January 3, 2008, and on April 23, 2008, he was nominated to serve as the Assistant Attorney General. Mr. Sedgwick also presently serves as the director of the Bureau of Justice Statistics, a position to which he was confirmed by the Senate for in March 2006.

Prior to his service in the U.S. Department of Justice, Mr. Sedgwick taught political science at the University of Massachusetts-Amherst for twenty-eight years. Throughout his

academic career, he has taught and written extensively on areas of American political science relevant to the work of OJP, including public finance, policy analysis, criminal justice policy, and

executive leadership. Of particular note, Mr. Sedgwick is the author of *Law Enforcement Planning: The Limits of an Economic Approach* and *Deterring Criminals: Policymaking and the American Political Tradition*.

Mr. Sedgwick received his A. B. from Kenyon College in 1973, and he earned a Master's degree and his Ph.D. from the University of Virginia in 1975 and 1978, respectively.

I thank the Committee for scheduling this confirmation hearing, and for considering this nominee.