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VIA EMAIL AND FIRST CLASS MAIL

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

***Re: Nomination of Stephanie Thacker
To the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit***

Dear Chairman Leahy:

The ABA Standing Committee on the Federal Judiciary has completed its evaluation of the professional qualifications of Stephanie Thacker who has been nominated to the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit. As a result of our investigation, a Substantial Majority of the Committee is of the opinion that Ms. Thacker is "Well Qualified." A Minority of the Committee is of the opinion that Ms. Thacker is "Qualified" for this position.

A copy of this letter has been provided to Stephanie Thacker.

Sincerely,



Allan J. Joseph
Chair

cc: Stephanie Thacker, Esq.
The Honorable Kathyryn Ruemmler
Michael Zubrensky, Esq. (via email)
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