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VIA EMAIL AND FIRST CLASS MAIL

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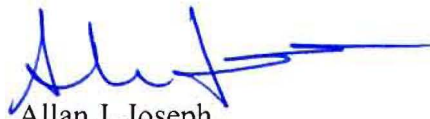
**Re: *Nomination of Gregg J. Costa
To the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas***

Dear Chairman Leahy:

The ABA Standing Committee on the Federal Judiciary has completed its evaluation of the professional qualifications of Gregg J. Costa who has been nominated to the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas. As a result of our investigation, the Committee is of the unanimous opinion that Mr. Costa is "Well Qualified."

A copy of this letter has been provided to Gregg J. Costa.

Sincerely,


Allan J. Joseph
Chair

cc: Gregg J. Costa, Esq.
The Honorable Kathy Ruemmler
Michael Zubrensky, Esq. (via email)
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