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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 John E. Dowdell
To the United States District Court for the Northern District of
Oklahoma***

Dear Chairman Leahy:

The ABA Standing Committee on the Federal Judiciary has completed its evaluation of the professional qualifications of John E. Dowdell who has been nominated for a position on the United States District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma. As a result of our investigation, a substantial majority of the Committee is of the opinion that Mr. Dowdell is "Well Qualified". A minority of the Committee is of the opinion that Mr. Dowdell is "Qualified" for this position.

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

Sincerely,



**Allan J. Joseph
Chair**

**cc: John E. Dowdell, Esq.
The Honorable Kathy Ruemmler
ABA Standing Committee on the Federal Judiciary (via email)
Denise A. Cardman, Esq. (via email)**