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The Honorable Patrick Leahy
Chairman
Committee on the Judiciary
224 Dirksen Senate Building

The Honorable Chuck Grassley
Ranking Member
Committee on the Judiciary
224 Dirksen Senate Building

Chairman Leahy and Ranking Member Grassley,

I write today to introduce the Judiciary Committee to Ms. Sheryl Lipman, who has been nominated to fill a vacancy on U.S. District Court for the Western District of Tennessee.

Ms. Lipman is a native of Memphis, Tennessee who left for her schooling but has returned to her home state to establish herself in the Memphis legal community. She attended the University of Michigan, receiving a degree in 1984 before pursuing her legal studies at New York University School of Law. Upon her graduation in 1987, she clerked with the Honorable Julia Gibbons, US District Court Judge for the Western District of Tennessee. After a short stay with the law firm of Reed, Smith, Shaw & McClay in Washington DC, Ms. Lipman returned to Memphis where she has had a successful career. She currently serves as the University Counsel and Interim Chief of Staff to the President at the University of Memphis.

The committee will, no doubt, receive a full documentation of her achievements and qualifications, and I hope you consider them carefully as you deliberate on her nomination.

Sincerely,



Lamar Alexander