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The Honorable Charles E. Grassley
Chairman
Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
Ranking Member
Committee on the Judiciary
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RE: Nomination of Roy K. Altman as District Judge, United States District Court for the
Southern District of Florida

Dear Chairman Grassley and Ranking Member Feinstein:

I understand that Roy Altman is being considered for an appointment to the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida. I know Roy, who was my student and teaching assistant, to be a brilliant, thoughtful, conscientious, deeply fair-minded person of the utmost integrity, and I write to give him my highest recommendation.

I first met Roy in the Spring of 2006, when he took my International Business Transactions course, and he impressed me from the first day. Unlike many of his roughly eighty peers, Roy made a point of being prompt and meticulously prepared for every class; he has a tremendous work ethic and sense of responsibility. His comments in class were consistently incisive, measured, and insightful. Roy also listened extremely well and was always open-minded, diplomatic, and respectful of others. Because Roy impressed me so much in class, both intellectually and personally, I selected him – out of an applicant pool of over fifty students – to be one of my two “Coker Fellow” teaching assistants for a Contracts class I taught in the Fall of 2007. I could not have made a better choice. Among other things, Roy and his co-Fellow were in charge of editing and providing comments on the first drafts of my Contracts students’ legal memos and briefs. To describe Roy’s performance for me as a home run is an understatement. I have never seen anyone work so hard and so cheerfully to achieve such effective results. I was especially impressed with the way Roy interacted with students of all different backgrounds and ideological viewpoints. All sixteen of my Contracts students that Roy helped mentor gave him rave reviews and expressed their gratitude to him for his patience and kindness.

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In terms of personality and temperament, Roy is calm, grounded, judicious, respectful, upbeat, perceptive, self-aware, and extremely likeable. Despite all his accomplishment, he somehow remains humble and down-to-earth. He is also one of the punctual, reliable, and organized students I have ever worked with.

As I hope is clear, I have the highest regard for Roy and believe he would be an outstanding addition to the federal bench. I support his confirmation with great enthusiasm.

Respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Amy Chua". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Amy Chua