91 Sewalls Falls Road Concord, NH 03301 October 20, 2023

The Honorable Richard J. Durbin Chair Committee on the Judiciary United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Lindsey O. Graham Ranking Member Committee on the Judiciary United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

Re: Nomination of Seth Robert Aframe to First Circuit Court of Appeals

Honorable Senators Durbin and Graham:

I support confirmation of Assistant United States Attorney Seth Robert Aframe as a judge on the First Circuit Court of Appeals. I can think of no one more qualified than he to sit in that court.

From 1994 until I retired in 2019 I was an assistant federal public defender for the District of New Hampshire. Seth Aframe and I do not interact socially, but before I retired I had regular professional contacts with him as an AUSA for this district. After he arrived in that office we tried many cases and argued several appeals against each other. Attorney Aframe is a worthy adversary. His oral advocacy and written advocacy skills are exceptional. He is unquestionably the most talented prosecutor in his office. He is intelligent, knows the law, and masters facts quickly. He never cuts ethical corners. AUSA Aframe is an effective advocate who maintains his objectivity. He treats people with respect, including criminal defendants. Unlike some prosecutors I have encountered over the years, I have never known AUSA Aframe to descend to *ad hominem* arguments. He has good people skills, exceptional insight, and a sense of humor. He has the excellent judgment one hopes for in a judge.

Please let me know if I may be able to provide additional information about Seth Aframe.

Thank you for your attention.

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