

July 4, 2026

The Honorable Charles E. Grassley
Chairman, United States Senate
Committee on the Judiciary
135 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Richard J. Durbin
Ranking Member, United States Senate
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Re: Confirmation of Todd W. Blanche for Attorney General of the United States

Dear Chairman Grassley and Ranking Member Durbin:

We, the signatories below, are all former United States Attorneys and former senior U.S. Department of Justice officials who write in support of the confirmation of Todd W. Blanche as Attorney General of the United States.

Because of our former roles, we are well-positioned to evaluate Mr. Blanche's qualifications to serve as our nation's top law-enforcement official. Mr. Blanche's experience as Deputy Attorney General, as a federal prosecutor in the Southern District of New York, and at the highest levels of white-collar private practice, has prepared him well for this significant leadership role.

Mr. Blanche joined the prestigious U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York after two federal clerkships. He served as a federal prosecutor for nearly a decade, rising to become co-chief of the Violent Crimes Unit and of the White Plains Division. Mr. Blanche investigated and prosecuted a variety of complex criminal cases involving public corruption, fraud, RICO violations, and violent crimes.

Following his service as a federal prosecutor, Mr. Blanche worked for years as a litigator at major law firms before founding his own firm. Mr. Blanche has been the counsel of record for several high-profile defense matters, including the defense of President Donald J. Trump in several landmark cases.

As Deputy Attorney General, Mr. Blanche has fulfilled the extraordinarily demanding responsibilities of that role with concrete and measurable results that can be appreciated by all Americans and their representatives. Homicides in the United States in 2025 fell by 20%, a remarkable and historic decline. Federal agencies have intercepted massive quantities of deadly fentanyl, and drug overdose deaths fell by roughly 14% in 2025, continuing a downward trend that would have seemed impossible just a few years ago. And Mr. Blanche has focused the Department of Justice on critical priorities to safeguard the American people and their government: he has emphasized the need to dismantle Foreign Terrorist Organizations and dangerous international

gangs; developed the first DOJ-wide corporate enforcement policy; and established the new National Fraud Enforcement Division. The nation has been safer with Todd Blanche at the helm of the Department of Justice.

Mr. Blanche is a distinguished nominee committed to protecting the American people. His deep experience and bold vision show his respect for the Department of Justice, the rule of law, and the principles of the United States Constitution. Mr. Blanche's experience, professionalism, integrity, and expertise will serve him and the nation well as Attorney General.

We strongly urge you to support his confirmation.

Respectfully,

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