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The Honorable Patrick J. Leahy
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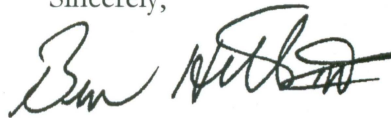
***Re: Nomination of James Rodney Gilstrap
To the United States District Court
for the Eastern District of Texas***

Dear Chairman Leahy:

The ABA Standing Committee on the Federal Judiciary has completed its evaluation of the professional qualifications of James Rodney Gilstrap who has been nominated for a position on the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas. As a result of our investigation, the Committee is of the unanimous opinion that Mr. Gilstrap is "Qualified" for the position.

A copy of this letter has been provided to James Rodney Gilstrap.

Sincerely,



Benjamin H. Hill, III
Chair

cc: James Rodney Gilstrap
The Honorable Robert F. Bauer
Michael Zubrensky, Esq. (via email)
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