

June 22, 2018

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United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

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Re: Nomination of Ryan D. Nelson to be Circuit Judge on the U.S. Court of Appeals
for the Ninth Circuit

Dear Chairman Grassley and Ranking Member Feinstein:

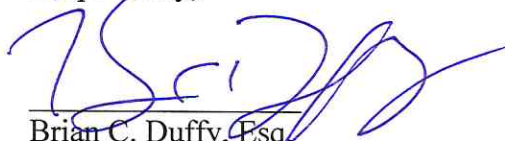
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We appreciate the opportunity to provide the Members of the Committee and of the Senate our support of Ryan's nomination to be a judge on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.

Respectfully,



Brian C. Duffy, Esq.
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Kyle J. Fiet
Washington, DC

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A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Mitchell Keme". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Mitchell" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Keme".

Gerald L. Wallace Professor of Taxation,
NYU School of Law

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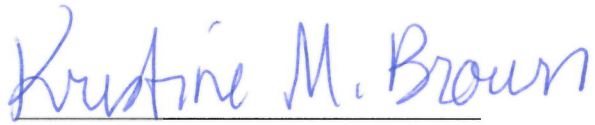
George W. Ingham

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A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Steph", is positioned above a horizontal line.

Stephan E. Oestreicher, Jr.
Career Law Clerk to
Hon. Karen LeCraft Henderson
Washington, DC

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A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kristine M. Brown". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath the name.

Kristine McAlister Brown, Partner
Alston & Bird, LLP

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kolya D. Glick", written over a horizontal line.

Kolya D. Glick
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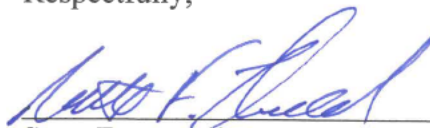
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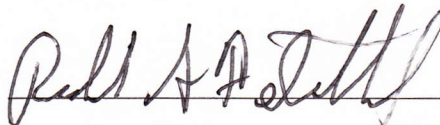
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Richard A. Felsenthal
Career Law Clerk to
The Honorable Karen LeCraft Henderson,
Retired