



The Honorable Chuck Grassley, Chairman
The Honorable Dick Durbin, Ranking Member
Senate Committee on the Judiciary
224 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

RE: Letter of Recommendation for Whitney Hermandorfer, Nominee to the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit

Dear Chairman Grassley, Ranking Member Durbin, and Distinguished Members of the Committee:

I am writing to offer my strong and unequivocal support for the confirmation of **Whitney Hermandorfer** to the United States Court of Appeals for the **Sixth Circuit**. I have had the privilege of working with Ms. Hermandorfer and have consistently been impressed by her intellectual rigor, deep respect for the law, and exemplary professional judgment.


Ms. Hermandorfer brings to the bench a formidable combination of appellate experience, analytical precision, and judicial temperament. During her time at Williams & Connolly LLP, she represented clients in high-stakes and complex litigation, including her work representing the American Home Furnishings Alliance in a significant challenge against the Consumer Product Safety Commission before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit. That case demonstrated her ability to handle complex regulatory issues with sophistication and skill, and to advocate persuasively at the highest levels of the federal judiciary.

What distinguishes Ms. Hermandorfer is not only her legal acumen but also her humility, empathy, and commitment to justice. She approaches every legal issue with an open mind, a deep respect for precedent, and an appreciation for the real-world impact of appellate decisions. Her work ethic is unparalleled, and her demeanor—calm, respectful, and principled—will serve her and the Sixth Circuit well.

At a time when public trust in our judiciary is of utmost importance, Whitney Hermandorfer's nomination offers the opportunity to confirm a jurist of rare caliber who will strengthen the integrity of the federal bench. I urge the Committee to give her nomination your fullest consideration and to advance her confirmation without reservation.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require further information or insight into Ms. Hermandorfer's qualifications and character. I am confident that her service on the Sixth Circuit will reflect the highest ideals of our judiciary.

Respectfully,


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