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October 23, 2017

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

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein, Ranking Member
Committee on Judiciary
United States Senate
331 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

RE: Recommendation of Judge Elizabeth L. Branch
For the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit

Dear Senator Grassley, Senator Feinstein, and Members of the Committee on Judiciary:

I would like to take this opportunity to lend my support for your consideration of the appointment of Judge Elizabeth L. Branch of Atlanta, Georgia to serve as one of the members of the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit.

Judge Branch has a long and distinguished career in the courts both in the state of Georgia and nationally. In Judge Branch's tenure, she has served a federal law clerk to the Honorable J. Owen Forrester of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Georgia, she served as a senior White House official as Associate General Counsel for Rules and Legislation at the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and then as Counselor to the Administrator of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs at the U.S. Office of Management and Budget. Her experience in the law and understanding of the law is unparalleled. Judge Elizabeth L. Branch is a fair-minded, intelligent, and experienced judge. Judge Branch embodies the traits that would make her superb judge on the bench of the U.S. Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals.

I, whole-heartedly and proudly, urge the Committee to support Judge Branch's appointment to the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jesse Stone", written in a cursive style.

Jesse Stone, 23rd District
Chairman, Judiciary Committee

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