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RE: Nomination of Jay Richardson to the U.S. Circuit Judge for the
Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals

Dear Chairman Grassley and Ranking Member Feinstein:

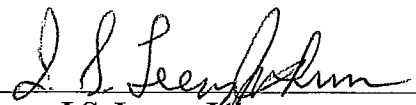
I am writing in support of the nomination of Jay Richardson to be a United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals. I know him personally and can attest to his outstanding reputation and qualifications.

I primarily have a criminal defense practice. I have represented several clients where Jay served as the Assistant United States Attorney. I have always found him to be fair, unbiased, and obedient to the rule of law.

In light of Jay's exceptional qualifications, experience, and character, I strongly request that the Judiciary Committee and the Senate confirm Jay's nomination to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals.

Yours very truly,

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