

August 29, 2025

The Honorable Chuck Grassley  
Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary  
United States Senate  
135 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Dick Durbin  
Ranking Member, Committee on the Judiciary United States Senate  
711 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Re: Nomination of Edmund G. LaCour Jr.

Dear Chairman Grassley and Ranking Member Durbin:

We are current and former attorneys from Kirkland & Ellis LLP (“Kirkland”) who submit this letter in our personal capacities in strong support of Alabama Solicitor General Edmund Gerard LaCour Jr.’s nomination to serve as a judge on the United States District Court for the Northern District of Alabama. While we hold diverse views on political and jurisprudential issues, we are united in our belief that Eddie would be an excellent judge.

When Eddie practiced at Kirkland, first as an associate and later as a partner, we saw firsthand his relentless work ethic, sound judgment, and sharp intellect as he litigated difficult legal issues in trial and appellate courts across the country. The cases he handled were complex and spanned a breadth of issues, from constitutional questions of first impression, to federal administrative law, to important issues of criminal procedure. The many hours he dedicated to his clients equipped Eddie with a wealth of experience and amply demonstrate that he possesses the dedication and intellectual rigor to serve the Northern District of Alabama well.

And despite the demands of his practice, Eddie maintained his calm demeanor even in the most stressful situations. He is gracious and fair-minded, treating everyone with patience and respect—exactly how a judge should treat litigants.

In short, we have no doubt that Eddie will be an exceptional jurist, and we urge you to confirm him to the position of U.S. District Court Judge for the Northern District of Alabama.

Sincerely,

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H. Christopher Bartolomucci  
Lauren N. Beebe  
William H. Burgess  
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