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The Honorable Charles Ernest Grassley
United States Senate
135 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510
Phoenix, Arizona 85015

Re: Recommendation for Confirmation of Judge Bridget Bade

Dear Senator Grassley:

My name is Jason Covault. I am the President of the Phoenix Chapter of the Federal Bar Association. I write to tell you about my experience with Judge Bridget Bade, and to give you my strong recommendation that she be confirmed to the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals.

The Federal Bar Association is an apolitical organization that teaches the public about civics and supports and advocates on behalf of the federal judiciary. Every year, delegates from FBA chapters across the United States travel to Washington D.C. to ask our lawmakers to fully fund the federal courts and confirm qualified nominees to the federal bench, regardless of political affiliation.

I've been on the board of the Phoenix Chapter of the FBA for four years. During that period, Judge Bade has served as a judicial liaison between the board and our local federal judges.

Judge Bade has been invaluable to our organization. Each month, the FBA hosts a Continuing Legal Education lunch. Judge Bade has been a speaker and moderator, and has helped us to schedule nationally recognized speakers at several of these events.

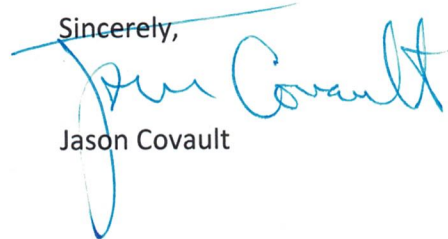
One of our signature presentations each year is the annual Ninth Circuit Civics Contest. High school students are given a packet of materials to write a paper or create a movie about an important civics topic. Judge Bade always organizes that program and is the reason why it has been such a success in our District. Every year the program has grown larger. Judge Bade's hard work in organizing the competition, providing outreach to local high schools, and grading the hundreds of submissions advances the mission of the FBA and teaches students to be better

citizens. Our local winners are invited to the Sandra Day O'Connor U.S. Courthouse to receive their prizes, some from Justice O'Connor herself.

Judge Bade has an outstanding reputation in the legal community.

Thank you for considering this recommendation. If you need additional information, please contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jason Covault". The signature is stylized with a large initial "J" and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Jason Covault