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The Honorable Chuck Grassley
Chairman-Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Dick Durbin
Ranking Member-Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Re: In Support of the Judicial Nomination of Peter M. Mansfield to the United States
District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana

Dear Chairman Grassley and Ranking Member Durbin:

We write to express our strongest, unqualified support for the nomination of Peter M. Mansfield to serve as a United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana (EDLA). As the United States Attorney and First Assistant United States Attorney for this district, we have had the distinct privilege of working closely with Peter. We know firsthand that his legal acumen, integrity, and judicial temperament make him exceptionally qualified for the federal bench.

Peter's career at the Department of Justice is defined by his leadership, excellence, and profound commitment to the rule of law. He currently serves as the Chief of the Civil Division for our office, where he manages complex litigation and guides a team of dedicated public servants with exceptional skill. He has additionally previously served with distinction as the First Assistant United States Attorney, proving himself to be a steady, reliable leader across both the civil and criminal divisions of the office.

Substantively, Peter is extremely competent and a brilliant writer. His legal analysis is exhaustive, clear, and deeply reasoned, reflecting a great legal mind that respects the boundaries of the law. Beyond his intellectual capabilities, Peter possesses a consistently measured

temperament. He approaches every court, case, counsel, and colleague with patience, fairness, and humility. These attributes, combined with his innately calm and balanced demeanor, are precisely the qualities required of a federal jurist.

While Peter's elevation to the federal bench will undoubtedly be a great loss to the litigation and leadership capabilities of our Office, it will be a far greater gain to the citizens across all thirteen parishes that comprise the EDLA. He has dedicated his career to serving the citizens of this community, and we are confident that he will continue to serve them with the same distinction from the federal bench.

Peter Mansfield represents the very best of public service. We respectfully urge this Committee to swiftly confirm his nomination.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this regard.

Respectfully submitted,



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