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Re: Nomination of Michael Martin to the United States District Court for the Eastern
District of Michigan

Dear Senators Grassley and Durbin:

This letter is intended to enthusiastically support Assistant United States Attorney Michael Martin's application for the open position in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan. Having had a number of cases with Mike during his time at the Detroit office and having served on judicial qualification committees with him, I think I am particularly qualified to comment on the things he would bring to the table if appointed to the position of district judge.

In nearly forty-eight years as a criminal defense lawyer, I have had contact with any number of federal prosecutors. I can say with certainty that Mike has been one of the best of them. He has great legal ability, is a fine writer, and is comfortable in the courtroom. He has always been fair with everyone and has an excellent temperament which, as you know, is a very important quality for a district judge.

The position of district judge is a difficult one. It requires not just knowledge of the law, but also the ability to run a courtroom fairly and efficiently. It is my opinion that Michael Martin possesses those qualities which, when combined with his temperament, will make him an excellent federal district judge.

Thank you for your consideration of this letter. If you have questions or comments concerning same, feel free to email me (sfish66@yahoo.com) or call my cell phone (313-920-2001).

Sincerely,


Steven Fishman