



October 1, 2023

The Honorable Richard J. Durbin
Chairman
Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Lindsey O. Graham
Ranking Member
Committee on the Judiciary
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Re: Letter of Support for The Honorable Shanlyn A. S. Park

Dear Chairman Durbin and Ranking Member Graham:

NAPABA is the national association of Asian Pacific American attorneys, judges, law professors, and law students. NAPABA represents the interests of over 60,000 attorneys and over 90 national, state, and local bar associations. Its members include solo practitioners, large firm lawyers, corporate counsel, legal services and non-profit attorneys, and lawyers serving at all levels of government.

Judge Shanlyn Park has been a state court judge on the First Circuit Court on O'ahu, Hawai'i, since 2021. Previously, Judge Park worked from 2017 to 2021 at the Honolulu law firms McCorriston Miller Mukai MacKinnon, L.L.P., and Gallagher Kane Amai & Reyes. From 1997 to 2017, Judge Park was an assistant federal public defender in the Office of the Federal Public Defender for the District of Hawai'i. Before her service in that office, Judge Park was in private practice at Hisaka Stone & Goto from 1996 to 1997.

She served as a law clerk for Judge Francis I. Yamashita, U.S. Magistrate Judge for the District of Hawai'i from 1995 to 1996. Judge Park received her J.D. from the University of Hawai'i William S. Richardson School of Law in 1995 and her B.A., cum laude, from Chaminade University of Honolulu in 1991.

A graduate of Sacred Hearts Academy and NAPABA member, Judge Park is active in the legal community and serves on the boards of the Hawai'i State Bar Foundation and the Legal Aid Society of Hawai'i. In the greater Hawai'i community, she serves on Project Focus Hawai'i and The Research Corporation of the University of Hawai'i boards.

NAPABA proudly supports Judge Shanlyn A. S. Park's nomination and urges the swift confirmation of her nomination.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Priya Purandare". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

National Asian Pacific American Bar Association
Executive Director