



State of North Carolina
Department of Justice

Roy Cooper, Attorney General
March 7, 2013

The Hon. Patrick Leahy, Chairman
United States Senate Judiciary Committee
Russell Senate Office Bldg., Room 437
Washington, D. C. 20510

RE: Karol V. Mason
Assistant Attorney General for Justice Programs

Dear Senator Leahy:

I am writing to give my strong recommendation to Karol V. Mason who has been nominated by the President to the position of Assistant Attorney General for Justice Programs. I wholeheartedly support her confirmation by the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Although Karol was born in New York, we claim her here in North Carolina as she received her undergraduate degree at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She has had an outstanding career as a private practice attorney having become the first African-American woman partner of the law firm of Alston & Bird. She served with distinction for eight years on the Board of Trustees of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and she has participated in other worthy charitable and civic causes.

As Attorney General and the Chief Law Enforcement Officer of my state, I know that the very best way to fight crime is to prevent it from happening to start with. Karol will play an important role in this effort by administering the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention within the office. I know she is deeply committed to making sure that we use effective strategies to keep kids out of trouble and push them down the path of quality education and good-paying jobs.

From everything I know about Karol, her character and reputation are impeccable. She is an excellent attorney and a committed public servant. She will do a great job in this position. Please call or write if you have any questions.

With kind regards, I am

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "RC", followed by the printed name "Roy Cooper".
Roy Cooper