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May 18, 2026

The Honorable Chuck Grassley,
Chairman,
Committee on the Judiciary,
U.S. Senate,
224 Dirksen Senate Office Bldg.,
Washington, DC 20510.

The Honorable Richard J. Durbin,
Ranking Member,
Committee on the Judiciary,
U.S. Senate,
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Dear Chairman Grassley and Ranking Member Durbin:

We write, as partners of Sullivan & Cromwell, to express our enthusiastic and unqualified support for Matthew Schwartz to serve as a judge on the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit.

The undersigned are partners at Sullivan & Cromwell LLP and have had the privilege of knowing, and in many cases working with, Matt during his 19-year career at the firm. Although we have a wide range of political views, we are unanimous in our view that Matt is extraordinarily qualified for this position.

We are confident that the best interests of the law, justice and our Country will be served by confirmation of Matt to serve on the Second Circuit. Matt is a brilliant lawyer and has the highest ethical standards. He has absolute fidelity to the law. Personal and intellectual integrity represents Matt's lodestar.

Matt has a long record of success in trial and appellate courts and before regulatory bodies, and he has authored briefs on numerous important cases. His commitment to the highest standards for the legal profession is reflected in his membership in the New York City Bar Association Committee on Professional Ethics, the New York State Bar Association Committee on Standards of Attorney Conduct (where he is Chair of the Tribunals Subcommittee) and the Attorney Grievance Committee for the Appellate Division First Department. Within the firm, he serves as our co-leader for internal ethics matters.

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We enthusiastically recommend Matt for this crucial position in our judicial system. We are confident that Matt will serve the American people with professionalism, distinction and an unwavering commitment to justice and the rule of law.

Respectfully,

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