



May 11, 2023

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

The Honorable Lindsey Graham
Ranking Member
Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
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Dear Chairman Durbin and Ranking Member Graham,

We strongly support the nomination of Julia Kathleen Munley as a United States District Judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania. We are members of the community development network organizations that provide programs and investments to promote the economic health of our region and our populace.

Our partners and programs span the entire community, including the many elements of business, government, and education – to provide the resources that enable opportunities for our residents to achieve the dignity of family-sustaining career paths.

Through a range of community-based interactions Judge Munley has demonstrated that she has the skills and character to serve our nation well as a United States District Judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania. We believe Judge Munley will serve the Middle District with the same balanced temperament, intellect, wisdom, and empathy that has characterized her service as our Lackawanna County Court judge.

Judge Munley has a wonderful personality. She consistently impresses those who come before the court with her even temperament. The respect she shows for all is invaluable in fairly resolving difficult problems among litigants.

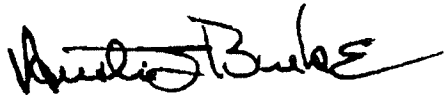
Known for a tremendous work ethic, she uses her considerable knowledge and superb education to address all of the issues that come before her bench.

We have had the great pleasure of knowing Judge Munley as the Burke family babysitter. We have watched her grow up. We know her family and we know the ethics and morals she was raised with. She has maintained those important values as a judge.

We know Judge Munley and her lifetime of responsible care for family, friends, and community. Judge Munley has served in leadership positions at Saint Francis of Assisi Kitchen, the Lackawanna Valley Heritage Valley Authority, Lackawanna College and Goodwill Industries. She is past president of the Association of Women Lawyers and has long served as a volunteer lawyer for the Hope Clinic in Luzerne County.

The nomination of Julia K. Munley to serve as a United States District Judge in the Middle District of Pennsylvania is a fitting recognition of her outstanding service in our Lackawanna County Court. It also recognizes her lifetime of service to our community. We feel the Middle District of Pennsylvania would be enriched and greatly served by the elevation of Judge Munley to the federal bench.

Sincerely,



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Former Secretary
PA Department of Economic
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Robert F. Durkin
President
Greater Scranton
Chamber of Commerce