

May 10, 2023

The Honorable Richard J. 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
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Chairman Durbin and Ranking Member Graham,

I write to express support for the confirmation of Lackawanna County Common Pleas Court Judge Julia K. Munley as a judge on the United States District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania. She is a respected member of the legal community and is an inspired choice for the court.

As a 34-year employee with the U.S. Marshals Service and one who held every field rank within the Agency, I have served, protected, and worked with many Judges from the District, Circuit and Supreme Court. The Federal Courts is the last stop for most citizens, and it is important that they have a fair and impartial opportunity to have their cases addressed. I have protected many prosecutions to include, USA v Timothy McVeigh, USA v General Noriega, and USA v Ramzi Yousef to name a few, and in executing those duties I have witnessed the knowledge, communication skills, directness, and yes compassion necessary for the judiciary to have the respect of all parties. Judge Munley has all those attributes and more.

She has the respect of her peers, the law enforcement profession, and the community in which she serves. Judge Munley is a brilliant, careful, and talented jurist with impressive professional credentials and a strong commitment to fairness, equal justice, and the rule of law. I had the honor of working with her father, former United States District Court Judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania, James M. Munley. He was a brilliant Judge with the wit and sense of humor necessary at times to deescalate tense moments within Court proceedings. Julia also possesses that unique skill so rarely seen.

Judge Munley's confirmation will add a perspective to help address the pressing need for a greater range of professional and personal experiences on the federal bench in general. And that perspective will also benefit the Middle District of Pennsylvania.

She will be an outstanding member of the federal bench and I offer my full, complete, and highest recommendation.

Should you have any questions or wish to talk, I can be reached at 570-840-1889.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Martin J. Pane". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Martin" and last name "Pane" clearly legible.

Martin J. Pane

United States Marshal, Middle District of Pennsylvania, (2011- 2022)