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The Honorable Chuck Grassley  
Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary  
United States Senate  
135 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington D.C. 20510

The Honorable Dick Durbin  
Ranking Member, Committee on the Judiciary  
United States Senate  
711 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington D.C. 20510

Re: Kara Westercamp – Nominee for the United States Court of International Trade.

Dear Senators Grassley and Durbin:

I write this letter with enthusiastic support for the nomination and confirmation of Kara Westercamp to the United States Court of International Trade. I was honored to appear before the Senate Judiciary Committee as a nominee to the United States District Court in September of 2006. I was confirmed by a full Senate vote of 95-0. I sat on the United States District Court for the Southern District of Iowa until my retirement in March of 2022. I sat in a total of seven judicial districts and on two United States courts of appeals during my tenure.

Prior to my appointment as a district judge, I served as a United States Magistrate Judge (nineteen years), a prosecutor with the United States Department of Justice (four years) and a federal law clerk (two years).

Kara Westercamp was one of my first law clerks as I began my tenure as a United States District Judge. She came to me with impeccable academic credentials, a history of hard work and tremendous motivation to serve the United States. She quickly became an indispensable part of my chambers. Ms. Westercamp is brilliant. She worked on some of the most challenging cases I presided over during my career. One case involved a transaction so complex that it took me six weeks to understand it. Another involved an attempted hostile takeover of a large Iowa company. In these and other complex cases, her intelligence and judgment were far ahead of her years of experience.

Ms. Westercamp has every reason to be proud of her accomplishments. After leaving my chambers, she was hired at a prestigious New York City law firm. She was grateful for that experience but wanted to return to public service. She was quickly hired by the United States Department of Justice and has been entrusted with the handling of very important cases for the United States. But throughout her career, she has maintained her Iowa sense of humility.

I served the judiciary for over forty years. I have admired many colleagues for five attributes that great judges possess. A judge must have good moral character, intelligence, motivation, compassion and an unwavering commitment to ethics. Ms. Westercamp possesses each of them. She will make an excellent addition to the bench. I guarantee it.

Very Truly Yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John A. Jarvey". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with some loops and flourishes.

John A Jarvey  
(Chief United States District Judge, Ret.)