

July 23, 2021

The Honorable Dick Durbin
Chairman
Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Chuck Grassley
Ranking Member
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Chairman Durbin and Ranking Member Grassley:

As ministers and faith leaders, we write in support of the confirmation of Hampton Y. Dellinger to the position of Assistant Attorney General for the Office of Legal Policy at the Department of Justice.

With decades of combined experience in the ministry and teaching, we have tried to live out our faith in service both to our congregations and to our communities at large. We have also worked hard to foster Interfaith dialogue and encourage our congregations and students to reach out in service to the broader community in the spirit of justice and mercy. We believe that such generosity of spirit is essential for all people, from the lowest to the highest levels of society.

Throughout his career, Hampton has advocated for just causes and operated with care and concern for his fellow human beings. He has displayed the kind of compassion, humility, and integrity we should demand for our public servants, affirming the dignity of all fellow citizens in the process. In addition to advancing the cause of justice in his private practice, he has a track record of important public service in the North Carolina Department of Justice and the Governor's Office. He has also lent his powerful voice to causes of public concern.

The United States Department of Justice and the country it represents will benefit greatly from Hampton's generosity of spirit. We support him wholeheartedly and ask the Senate to vote in his favor.

Sincerely,

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Rev. James W. Brunson Sr.

Rev. Dr. Susan Jane Dunlap, PhD

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