

Dick Durbin
United States Senate
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United States Senate
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Dear Chairman Durbin and Ranking Member Grassley,

We write to express our support for the nomination of Carlos Felipe Uriarte as Assistant Attorney General for the Office of Legislative Affairs at the Department of Justice (DOJ). Having served in that position we appreciate the importance of this role. Mr. Uriarte's bipartisan credentials, success at senior roles in government and the private sector, and direct experience translating between Congress and the Executive branch and between the private sector and government will serve him and the American people well.

Mr. Uriarte brings essential experience and judgment to the role of Assistant Attorney General. He began his career in Washington as a law clerk to the Republican Chair of the Senate Judiciary Committee, Arlen Specter. Mr. Uriarte returned to government service to work for Representative Judy Chu and the late Elijah Cummings during Mr. Cummings's tenure as the ranking member of the House Oversight Committee. After the Oversight Committee, Mr. Uriarte moved to the executive branch where he eventually served as an Associate Deputy Attorney General in the Office of the Deputy Attorney General at DOJ. In the private sector, Mr. Uriarte worked as a regulatory compliance executive at Capital One and as the lead regulatory lawyer at Unite Us. Mr. Uriarte recently completed another tour on Capitol Hill, serving as Chief Counsel for Investigations to House Majority Whip James E. Clyburn on the House Select Subcommittee on the Coronavirus Crisis.

Each of us signing this letter has served as Assistant Attorney General for the Office of Legislative Affairs in both Republican and Democratic Administrations. We know from experience that the job requires responsiveness to Congress, transparency to the American people, and fidelity to the Department's mandate to execute the laws established by Congress. Mr. Uriarte's experience working in Congress and at the Department of Justice has given him a healthy respect for the executive and legislative branches and the unique role the DOJ plays in our constitutional democracy. We are confident Mr. Uriarte will effectively perform this important function.

We encourage the Senate to confirm Mr. Uriarte as Assistant Attorney General. Please feel free to contact any of us if we may be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

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Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice (2003 - 2005)



Peter Kadzik

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