

March 25, 2022

The Honorable Richard Durbin
Chairman
Senate Judiciary Committee
224 Dirksen Senate Office Building
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Charles Grassley
Ranking Member
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RE: Confirmation of Magistrate Judge Nina Y. Wang for Appointment to the U.S. District Court for the District of Colorado

Dear Chairman Durbin and Ranking Member Grassley,

As former U.S. Attorneys for the District of Colorado, we write in support of the confirmation of U.S. Magistrate Judge Nina Y. Wang to the federal District Court for the District of Colorado.

We are familiar with Magistrate Judge Wang through direct personal experience as well as reputational knowledge of her record as a federal judicial officer and practicing lawyer. We strongly urge that Judge Wang be confirmed to fill the vacancy coming available on the Colorado District Court trial bench.

Judge Wang has served with great distinction since her appointment in 2015 as a federal Magistrate Judge. She is widely admired in the Colorado legal community for her fairness, keen intellect, prodigious work ethic, as well as her calm and respectful courtroom demeanor. Her judicial skills have been honed by efficiently handling a heavy caseload, while writing many detailed and thoughtful opinions on often novel questions of law.

In an era of declining federal court trials she has, by consent of the parties, conducted multiple trials, including several jury trials. Despite this extensive workload, Judge Wang has frequently made time for legal education presentations and made many other volunteer contributions to the national legal community, including her work with the Sedona Conference, a nonprofit organization dedicated to the advanced study of law and policy in the areas of antitrust, complex litigation, and intellectual property, as well as with the Executive Committee of the National Pro Bono Patent Initiative, the board overseeing a nationwide network of independently operated regional programs that match volunteer patent professionals with financially under-resourced inventors and small business for the purposes of securing patent protection.

We also want to highlight that no Colorado Magistrate Judge has ever been appointed to the Article III District Court bench in our state. It is long past time for such an appointment to occur and submit that Judge Wang is the ideal candidate to fill that role.

Prior to her appointment as a Magistrate Judge, Judge Wang had a highly successful practice as a distinguished intellectual property trial lawyer. With Colorado's emergence as a growing hub for technology and innovation, Judge Wang's deep substantive knowledge of intellectual property law would be a critically important contribution to the Colorado federal trial bench. Her knowledge of federal trial court practice and procedure also had a foundation early in her career through her four-year service as an Assistant United States Attorney in Colorado in the Civil Division and as a federal judicial clerk following law school. These varied perspectives have helped Judge Wang skillfully manage the entire breadth of her docket.

Judge Wang has received multiple awards and recognition from the legal community for her work over the course of her career. She has also devoted significant time, prior to her Magistrate service, to pro bono legal work in the specialized area of intellectual property. And beyond her legal work, Judge Wang has worked in the Denver Big Brothers' (Big Sisters) organization and as a volunteer at providing food service to the poor and underprivileged.

Based on this compelling record, we believe that Judge Wang would bring to her work as a District Judge a deep-seated sense of fairness, intellectual rigor, hard work and exemplary demeanor. We therefore strongly support the confirmation of Nina Y. Wang for appointment to the U.S. District Court for the District of Colorado.

Very truly yours,



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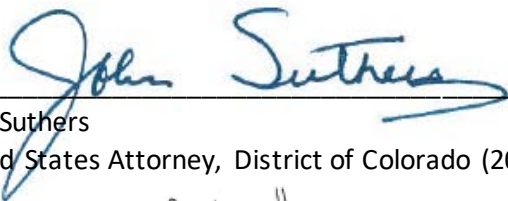


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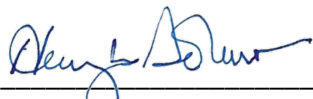
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