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The Honorable Richard Durbin Chairman Senate Committee on the Judiciary United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

Re: Darrel J. Papillion's Nomination for Judge of the Eastern District of Louisiana

Dear Chairman Durbin and Ranking Member Graham:

My name is Kim M. Boyle and I have been a lawyer in New Orleans, Louisiana since 1987. I am submitting this letter on behalf of Darrel J. Papillion, as I believe he will be an excellent judge in the Eastern District Court of Louisiana.

I have known Darrel for many years, primarily through the Louisiana State Bar Association ("LSBA") but also through various cases. I was the second African American to serve as President of the LSBA, and Darrel was the third, and he did a phenomenal job as LSBA President.

Darrel is an excellent lawyer, well respected and universally liked by the bench and bar. No one has or will say anything negative about Darrel because there is nothing negative to say. Not only is he one of the best lawyers in the state, he is also one of the best individuals you will ever meet. Darrel has great personal integrity, professionalism and ethics.

If I can be of assistance with anything, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

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