

July 31, 2022

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

The Honorable Charles E. Grassley
Ranking Member, Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
Washington D.C. 20510

Re: Kai Scott, Nominee to the United States District Court, Eastern District of
Pennsylvania

Dear Senators Durbin and Grassley:

It is our privilege to write in support of Kai Scott's judicial nomination and urge her confirmation. Each of the below individuals are former Philadelphia Assistant District Attorneys who represented the people of Philadelphia over the last three decades. In the seven years Judge Scott has been on the bench, she has presided over hundreds, if not thousands, of criminal matters. We were the prosecutors who presented the cases before Judge Scott. We appeared before Judge Scott for criminal matters that ranged from thefts and burglaries, to rape, robbery, and attempted murder. We conducted various pretrial motions, bench trials, jury trials, sentencings, post-trial motions, and violation of probation/parole hearing before Judge Scott. Some of us have also appeared before Her Honor when she was the supervising judge of the Investigating Grand Jury and litigated complex and novel issues related to the Grand Jury.

Judge Scott has always conducted herself with the utmost professionalism and impartiality. Judge Scott possesses important qualities that make her an effective member of the judiciary, such as: keen intellect, amazing recall, and impeccable legal talent. These qualities on their own would allow us to support her nomination enthusiastically and without reservation; however, those are by far not her only qualifications. As the former prosecutors that practiced before Her Honor, we witnessed daily her deep-rooted commitment to justice, fairness, and order.

Judge Scott's background as an adjunct professor and Federal Defender in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania has provided Her Honor with the tools necessary to effectively listen and make diligent decisions in her courtroom, not only about the law, but also allows her to be sensitive to the needs of a host of different people. Not only did Judge Scott run her courtroom efficiently and effectively, but she is also able to address the victims of heinous crimes who have had their lives destroyed, the needs of defendants who demonstrate they need rehabilitation, as well as the family for all parties involved. Judge Scott is fair, empathizes with victims and sympathizes with the less fortunate. She upholds the law, metes out justice equally, and is an exceptional judge. She will be an incredible asset to the federal bench.

While we have all left the Philadelphia District Attorney's Office and have moved on to different legal careers, we remain committed to the citizens of Philadelphia and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. From our diversity of experience and common bond, we are unified in our support for Judge Kai Scott's nomination to the Federal judiciary. We know from our experience with Her Honor that she is a talented and dedicated public servant. Judge Scott has exhibited throughout her career that not only does she have the right temperament for the bench, but she is also wholly dedicated to a life of service. Despite her intellect and success, Judge Scott is down-to earth, humble, and approachable. Judge Scott will seek the wellbeing of the people and will serve the court as a champion of justice and the rule of law.

Thank you for taking the time to consider our reasons for enthusiastically supporting Kai Scott's confirmation to the Federal bench. We appreciate your hard work and leadership in this vital Senate process.

Sincerely,

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