

November 15, 2021

The Honorable Richard Durbin  
Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary  
United States Senate  
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Honorable Charles Grassley  
Ranking Member, Committee on the Judiciary  
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Dear Chairman Durbin and Ranking Member Grassley:

We, practitioners and former practitioners at 19 law firms, write to convey our strong support for the confirmation of Dale Ho to serve as a judge on the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York. Although we collectively practice in a variety of legal subject matters and reflect a broad ideological spectrum (including affiliation with both major political parties), we are united behind our admiration for Dale and confidence that he will make a fine addition to the federal bench.

Through our work and experience with Dale (over more than a decade in many cases), we have seen firsthand his immense legal talent and drive. On some of the most complex legal questions of the day, Dale has achieved victories by combining his mastery for developing thorough factual records in discovery and at trial with crafting compelling and well-reasoned legal arguments before trial and appellate courts alike. Altogether, in addition to serving as a law clerk for both trial and appellate court judges after law school (including for a former judge of the Court for which he has been nominated), Dale has tried more than a half dozen cases, argued before multiple federal circuit courts of appeal, and appeared twice before the United States Supreme Court. His skillset is also broad: while many of us have been privileged to work with Dale in the area of voting rights and redistricting, our broader practices and experience allow us to say with confidence that Dale has every tool required to tackle the range of civil and criminal cases traditionally brought in the Southern District of New York.

More than his legal talents, Dale is as fine and dedicated a person as one could ask for in a potential judge. As practitioners, we would welcome a judge of Dale's temperament, consideration, and commitment to preside over our matters. Time and again, we have collectively observed Dale's ability to carefully consider competing points of view, to elevate the quality of his colleagues' work, and to encourage the search for common ground. He constantly took time to get to know clients and witnesses, to mentor junior attorneys, and to maintain a sense of fairness as a pillar of his legal practice and everyday life.

In sum, Dale's combination of compassion and commitment to legal excellence will make him a fair and exemplary jurist to parties and counsel of all stripes. We encourage his speedy confirmation and look forward to his future contributions to the Judiciary and the Nation.

Sincerely,

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