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**VIA E-MAIL ONLY**

The Honorable Lindsey Graham  
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**VIA E-MAIL ONLY**

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein  
Ranking Member  
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**Re: Nomination of Neomi J. Rao to the United States  
Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit**

Dear Chairman Graham and Ranking Member Feinstein:

The American Bar Association's Standing Committee on the Federal Judiciary has completed its evaluation of the professional qualifications of Neomi J. Rao, whom the President has nominated to the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit. As you know, the Standing Committee confines its evaluation to the qualities of integrity, professional competence, and judicial temperament. A majority of the Standing Committee is of the opinion that Ms. Rao is "**Well Qualified**," and a minority determined that she is "Qualified" to serve on the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit. The majority rating represents the Committee's official rating.

By separate letter, I have notified Pat A. Cipollone, White House Counsel, of the Standing Committee's rating.

A copy of this letter has been provided to Ms. Rao.

Sincerely,



Paul T. Moxley

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cc: Neomi J. Rao (via e-mail and U.S. Mail)  
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