



January 15, 2026

RESULTS OF EXECUTIVE BUSINESS MEETING

U.S. Senate Committee on the Judiciary

Date: Thursday, January 15, 2026

Time: 9:00 am

Location: Hart Senate Office Building Room 216

AGENDA

I. NOMINEES

a. **Daniel E. Burrows**, to be an Assistant Attorney General

Ordered reported favorably: Roll Call Vote

12-10

Aye: Grassley, Graham, Cornyn, Lee, Cruz, Hawley, Tillis, Kennedy, Blackburn, Schmitt, Britt, Moody

Nay: Durbin, Whitehouse, Klobuchar (Proxy), Coons (Proxy), Blumenthal (Proxy), Hirono (Proxy), Booker (Proxy), Padilla (Proxy), Welch (Proxy), Schiff (Proxy)

b. **Megan Blair Benton**, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Missouri

Ordered reported favorably: Roll Call Vote

12-10

Aye: Grassley, Graham, Cornyn, Lee, Cruz, Hawley, Tillis, Kennedy, Blackburn, Schmitt, Britt, Moody

Nay: Durbin, Whitehouse, Klobuchar (Proxy), Coons (Proxy), Blumenthal (Proxy), Hirono (Proxy), Booker (Proxy), Padilla (Proxy), Welch (Proxy), Schiff (Proxy)

c. **David Clay Fowlkes**, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Arkansas

Ordered reported favorably: Roll Call Vote

14-8

Aye: Grassley, Graham, Cornyn, Lee, Cruz, Hawley, Tillis, Kennedy, Blackburn, Schmitt, Britt, Moody, Durbin, Whitehouse

Nay: Klobuchar (Proxy), Coons (Proxy), Blumenthal (Proxy), Hirono (Proxy), Booker (Proxy), Padilla (Proxy), Welch (Proxy), Schiff (Proxy)

d. **Nicholas Jon Ganjei**, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas

Ordered reported favorably: Roll Call Vote

12-10

Aye: Grassley, Graham, Cornyn, Lee, Cruz, Hawley, Tillis, Kennedy, Blackburn, Schmitt, Britt, Moody

Nay: Durbin, Whitehouse, Klobuchar (Proxy), Coons (Proxy), Blumenthal (Proxy), Hirono (Proxy), Booker (Proxy), Padilla (Proxy), Welch (Proxy), Schiff (Proxy)

e. **Brian Charles Lea**, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Tennessee

Ordered reported favorably: Roll Call Vote

12-10

Aye: Grassley, Graham, Cornyn, Lee, Cruz, Hawley, Tillis, Kennedy, Blackburn, Schmitt, Britt, Moody

Nay: Durbin, Whitehouse, Klobuchar (Proxy), Coons (Proxy), Blumenthal (Proxy), Hirono (Proxy), Booker (Proxy), Padilla (Proxy), Welch (Proxy), Schiff (Proxy)

f. **Justin R. Olson**, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Indiana

Ordered reported favorably: Roll Call Vote

12-10

Aye: Grassley, Graham, Cornyn, Lee, Cruz, Hawley, Tillis, Kennedy, Blackburn, Schmitt, Britt, Moody

Nay: Durbin, Whitehouse, Klobuchar (Proxy), Coons (Proxy), Blumenthal (Proxy), Hirono (Proxy), Booker (Proxy), Padilla (Proxy), Welch (Proxy), Schiff (Proxy)

g. **Aaron Christian Peterson**, to be United States District Judge for the District of Alaska

Ordered reported favorably: Roll Call Vote

14-8

Aye: Grassley, Graham, Cornyn, Lee, Cruz, Hawley, Tillis, Kennedy, Blackburn, Schmitt, Britt, Moody, Durbin, Whitehouse

Nay: Klobuchar (Proxy), Coons (Proxy), Blumenthal (Proxy), Hirono (Proxy), Booker (Proxy), Padilla (Proxy), Welch (Proxy), Schiff (Proxy)

h. **Andrew Benson**, to be United States Attorney for the District of Maine

Ordered reported favorably: Roll Call Vote

19-3

Aye: Grassley, Graham, Cornyn, Lee, Cruz, Hawley, Tillis, Kennedy, Blackburn, Schmitt, Britt, Moody, Durbin, Whitehouse, Klobuchar (Proxy), Coons (Proxy), Hirono (Proxy), Padilla (Proxy), Welch (Proxy)

Nay: Blumenthal (Proxy), Booker (Proxy), Schiff (Proxy)

- i. **William Boyle**, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of North Carolina
Ordered reported favorably: Roll Call Vote
12-10
Aye: Grassley, Graham, Cornyn, Lee, Cruz, Hawley, Tillis, Kennedy, Blackburn, Schmitt, Britt, Moody
Nay: Durbin, Whitehouse, Klobuchar (Proxy), Coons (Proxy), Blumenthal (Proxy), Hirono (Proxy), Booker (Proxy), Padilla (Proxy), Welch (Proxy), Schiff (Proxy)
- j. **Kevin Holmes**, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Arkansas
Ordered reported favorably: Roll Call Vote
12-10
Aye: Grassley, Graham, Cornyn, Lee, Cruz, Hawley, Tillis, Kennedy, Blackburn, Schmitt, Britt, Moody
Nay: Durbin, Whitehouse, Klobuchar (Proxy), Coons (Proxy), Blumenthal (Proxy), Hirono (Proxy), Booker (Proxy), Padilla (Proxy), Welch (Proxy), Schiff (Proxy)
- k. **Brian David Miller**, to be United States Attorney for the Middle District of Pennsylvania
Ordered reported favorably: Roll Call Vote
12-10
Aye: Grassley, Graham, Cornyn, Lee, Cruz, Hawley, Tillis, Kennedy, Blackburn, Schmitt, Britt, Moody
Nay: Durbin, Whitehouse, Klobuchar (Proxy), Coons (Proxy), Blumenthal (Proxy), Hirono (Proxy), Booker (Proxy), Padilla (Proxy), Welch (Proxy), Schiff (Proxy)
- l. **Richard Price**, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri
Ordered reported favorably: Roll Call Vote
12-10
Aye: Grassley, Graham, Cornyn, Lee, Cruz, Hawley, Tillis, Kennedy, Blackburn, Schmitt, Britt, Moody
Nay: Durbin, Whitehouse, Klobuchar (Proxy), Coons (Proxy), Blumenthal (Proxy), Hirono (Proxy), Booker (Proxy), Padilla (Proxy), Welch (Proxy), Schiff (Proxy)
- m. **Darin Smith**, to be United States Attorney for the District of Wyoming
Ordered reported favorably: Roll Call Vote
12-10
Aye: Grassley, Graham, Cornyn, Lee, Cruz, Hawley, Tillis, Kennedy, Blackburn, Schmitt, Britt, Moody
Nay: Durbin, Whitehouse, Klobuchar (Proxy), Coons (Proxy), Blumenthal (Proxy), Hirono (Proxy), Booker (Proxy), Padilla (Proxy), Welch (Proxy), Schiff (Proxy)

II. LEGISLATION

a. **S. 2132, CLEAR Path Act** (Cornyn, Welch, Whitehouse)
Ordered reported favorably in the nature of a substitute: Voice Vote

Cornyn Amendment HEN26020 (Managers')
Adopted: Unanimous Consent Vote

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