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The Honorable Lindsey Graham Chairman Committee on the Judiciary United States Senate 290 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510 The Honorable Dianne Feinstein Ranking Member Committee on the Judiciary United States Senate 331 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senators,

It is our pleasure to write to you, on behalf of the hundreds of thousands of supporters of Concerned Women for America Legislative Action Committee (CWALAC) from across the country, in support of the nomination of Judge Amy Coney Barrett to the United States Supreme Court.

We urge you to ensure her confirmation hearings do not devolve into an undignified spectacle of the sorts we witnessed during the Kavanaugh nomination.

Judge Barrett is an accomplished woman whose record is, without question, worthy of this nomination. She graduated at the top of her class at Notre Dame Law School, where she attended on a full tuition scholarship. She was the Executive Editor of the *Notre Dame Law Review*. She was the recipient of the Hoynes Prize (for the best record in scholarship, deportment, and achievement), and the Dean's Award (for the best exam in Administrative Law, Civil Procedure I and II, Constitutional Law, Contracts, Criminal Procedure, Evidence, First Amendment, Torts II, and Legal Research and Writing).

From there, Judge Barrett continued her path of excellence, earning some prestigious judicial clerkships. First, under Judge Laurence Silberman of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit, and later under the late, great Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia.



Judge Barrett then moved to private practice as an associate at Miller, Cassidy, Larroca & Lewin, and later at Baker Bots, LLP, two highly regarded law firms in Washington, D.C.

As is often the case with brilliant legal scholars, Judge Barrett's unique intellect was quickly identified as an academic asset. She became visiting associate professor and John M. Olin Fellow in Law at the George Washington University Law School in Washington, D.C. Then a Professor of Law, and the Diane and M.O. Miller II Research Chair in Law at the Notre Dame Law School in South Bend, Indiana, where she won the "Distinguished Professor of the Year" award multiple times.

At every stage of her career, Judge Barrett's knowledge of the law, balanced temperament, and fairness stood out. It is no wonder then that President Donald J. Trump nominated her to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit in 2007, where she continues to serve with distinction to this day.

As if this were not enough, Judge Barrett is even more impressive in her character and personal life. A woman of deep faith and integrity, Judge Barrett is an inspiration to the hundreds of thousands of women I represent. This is most relevant for the honorable position of being a justice of the Supreme Court. It is clear Judge Barrett is a woman who will not be bribed or intimidated but who will administer justice with impartiality, honesty, and conviction.

She is wife to a supportive husband who shares the love of the law, as a distinguished attorney himself. Also, the mother of seven, with two adopted from Haiti, who has also experienced the struggles of having children with disabilities.

For these reasons and more, we urge you to ensure this nomination process is administered without delay. Every senator should be proud to vote in favor of a woman like Judge Amy Coney Barrett to the United States Supreme Court.

Sincerely,

President and CEO