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Honorable Chuck Grassley
Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
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Honorable Dick Durbin
Ranking Member, Committee on the Judiciary
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Dear Chairman Grassley and Ranking Member Durbin:

We are current and former attorneys of Kirkland & Ellis LLP, and we write to express our unqualified support for the confirmation of Kasdin Mitchell to the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas. We represent an array of legal thought and experience across Kirkland's nationwide offices. We hold different political and jurisprudential views, have different specialties, practice in a variety of state and federal courts, and come from different personal backgrounds. We often disagree, and debate is commonplace at Kirkland. But we all agree without reservation that Kasdin Mitchell will be an outstanding jurist.

Kasdin's intellect and legal acumen are beyond dispute. She has litigated dozens of cases at every stage of the judicial process, from trials to the Supreme Court. Her experience spans a wide variety of legal issues and subject matters. Kasdin has consistently impressed her colleagues and clients, whether she is writing a brief on a complex legal issue, examining a witness at trial, or standing up in court to persuade it of her client's position. Her ability to marry insightful legal argument with a keen understanding of the facts of each case makes her a uniquely skilled advocate. Kasdin is regularly credited with developing the legal arguments and trial strategies that have won in court. It is no wonder that so many clients have come to rely on Kasdin's skilled representation.

We can also attest to Kasdin's outstanding character. She is a role model for our profession. She treats colleagues, clients, and adversaries with unparalleled dignity and respect. To a person, her Kirkland colleagues admire her kindness, grace under fire, and perpetually cheerful mood. No

matter how much she may disagree with opposing counsel or a colleague, she is always the consummate professional.

Kasdin's commitment to pro bono work is a further testament to her character. She has maintained a robust pro bono practice throughout her time at Kirkland, starting when she was an associate and continuing through her time as a partner. Whether it be leading pro bono trial teams, writing appellate briefs, or litigating pre-trial proceedings in civil matters, Kasdin has given generously of her professional and personal time to ensure that pro bono clients receive the very best representation.

Finally, Kasdin has served as a mentor to numerous young lawyers. She has devoted hours of her time to meet with and encourage young attorneys. She is never too busy to answer a question, whether it be about the next career move or the best way to balance the demands of parenthood and a full-time legal career. She also regularly advocates for junior associates to receive opportunities in court, so that the next generation can learn the practice of law.

We will be sad to lose Kasdin as a partner. If confirmed, she will be missed by her colleagues and mentees. But we enthusiastically support her confirmation. Kasdin has the intellect, judgment, temperament, and character to command the respect and admiration of all who come before her. She has first-hand experience litigating complex cases on a wide swath of issues. She is kind and professional. We strongly support her confirmation and respectfully urge the Committee to advance her nomination.

Sincerely,

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