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The Honorable Richard Durbin  
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The Honorable Lindsey Graham  
Ranking Member  
Senate Committee on the Judiciary  
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Dear Chairman Durbin and Ranking Member Graham:

I have just learned that Mr. Darrel J. Papillion has been nominated to become a United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana.

I feel that it is vitally important to move forward with nominations of individuals such as Mr. Papillion and ultimately confirming his nomination for the Eastern District of Louisiana.

As a former President of the Louisiana State Bar Association, I have had the privilege to be involved with Mr. Papillion for many years both professionally and socially, I feel that it is important that I give to you my highest recommendations for his confirmation.

He is, in my opinion, a person of the highest integrity, a man devoted to his family and one who will have the wisdom and enlightenment to garner respect from those appearing before him. He will be a tremendous asset to our esteemed Judiciary.

Thank you for the opportunity to be a part of the confirmation process and if I can be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to advise.

Sincerely,

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