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Senator Dick Durbin, Chairman
U.S. Senate Committee on the Judiciary
224 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Chairman Durbin:

My name is James “Jimmy” Genovese. I am an associate justice on the Louisiana Supreme Court, having been in the legal profession for over 48 years and having served as a district judge in Louisiana for 10 years, an appellate court judge for 12 years, and as an associate justice in my 7th year on the Louisiana Supreme Court.

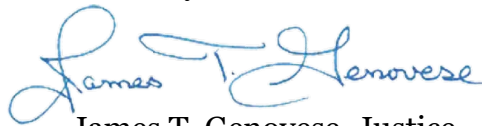
I write this letter in support of Mr. Darrel J. Papillion. Mr. Papillion and I grew up in St. Landry Parish. I have known him and his family for decades. I personally witnessed him growing up, getting educated, and becoming an attorney. What a fine young man and attorney he has turned out to be.

“Darrel,” as we know him, didn’t have the luxury of his peers growing up. He experienced obstacles and overcame them with success, respect, and dignity. He comes from a good, hard-working, moral and ethical family, and he has done quite well for himself. He is highly thought of, experienced, and is well-respected in the legal profession.

I am so proud of Darrel and his nomination for a federal district judgeship in New Orleans, Louisiana. He is bright, conscientious, well-educated, and a top-notch attorney with an exemplary work ethic. I highly recommend him for this appointment. If given the chance, he will serve the people and the federal judiciary admirably.

I will be more than happy to render any additional information you may want or need. My email address is jgenovese@lasc.org and my cell number is (337) 945-8343.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "James T. Genovese". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" and last name "Genovese" clearly legible.

James T. Genovese, Justice
Louisiana Supreme Court