

November 22, 2022

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Dear Chair Durbin and Ranking Member Grassley:

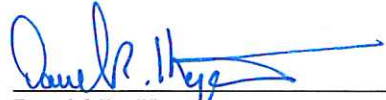
We write in support of Julia Kobick's nomination to serve as District Judge on the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts. The undersigned attorneys have all litigated cases against parties represented by Attorney Kobick in state or federal court, while Attorney Kobick represented the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as an Assistant Attorney General. We have seen Attorney Kobick work in a variety of legal proceedings: during depositions and negotiations; at oral arguments before state and federal trial court judges; and during appellate arguments before the First Circuit Court of Appeals and the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court. All of the undersigned enthusiastically support her nomination and believe she would be a strong addition to the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts.

Attorney Kobick possesses the intellect, professionalism, demeanor, and temperament to serve as United State District Court judge. Her legal abilities and intellect are first rate, as shown through the clarity and persuasiveness of her written and oral advocacy. We have witnessed her skillful representation of the Commonwealth and its official in a variety of civil rights actions and challenges to state action involving questions of constitutional law, immunity, and abstention doctrines. She is always prepared and helps the Court understand the legal issues while meticulously advocating for her clients.

In addition, and perhaps more importantly, Attorney Kobick possesses the demeanor and temperament for this important appointed position. We have witnessed her performing under pressure situations in oral arguments and in other proceedings, and she consistently represents the Commonwealth's interests with a professional and measured manner. Attorney Kobick is thoughtful and considerate. All of us enjoy working with and against her, even when our parties' interests directly clash. Throughout the cases Attorney Kobick maintains a calm presence and

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diffuses any contentious situation with a professional attitude. As a result, we strongly support her nomination and urge the Senate to confirm her as the next District Court Judge for the District of Massachusetts.



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