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The Honorable Chuck Grassley Ranking Member 224 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington DC 20510

The Honorable Dick Durbin Chairman U.S. Senate Committee on the Judiciary 224 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington DC 20510

RE: Nomination of U.S. Magistrate Judge Dana M. Douglas

**Dear Senators Durbin and Grassley,** 

I write in support of the nomination of U.S. Magistrate Judge Dana N. Douglas to a position on the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit. As current President of the New Orleans Bar Association, I strongly support Judge Douglas' nomination to this position.

I have no doubt that Judge Douglas will be an excellent appellate jurist based on my own personal and professional experience with her.

I wholeheartedly and without reservation support the nomination of Magistrate Judge Dana Douglas to the Fifth Circuit.

Respectfully yours,

Peter E. Sperling

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