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The Honorable Richard Durbin
Chair, Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Chuck Grassley
Ranking Member, Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Re: Nomination of Nina Morrison to be United States District Judge

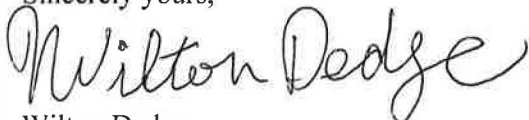
Dear Chair Durbin and Ranking Member Grassley:

My name is Wilton Dedge. My first encounter with Ms. Nina Morrison came in the form of a phone call while I was serving a double life sentence in the state of Florida for a crime I did not commit. Ms. Morrison informed me that she was looking into my case with the intention of representing me. That phone call offered me a small glimmer of hope in a place and time in my life where hope could be a dangerous thing. That glimmer grew brighter and brighter every time I communicated with Ms. Morrison.

Ms. Morrison's dedication and knowledge of the law and justice is unparalleled. I lost twenty-two years of my life, wrongfully imprisoned until Ms. Morrison won my freedom using DNA testing to prove my innocence against a district attorney, determined to keep me behind bars for a crime I did not commit. Ms. Morrison is the sole reason that I am walking around as a free, exonerated man. It would be easy for me to choose to be bitter, but I am not, and instead I am grateful for Ms. Morrison's compassion and commitment to my case.

I am writing this letter because I have been told that Ms. Morrison is a candidate for a judgeship on the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York. Based on my personal experience with Ms. Morrison, you could not ask for a more knowledgeable, capable, ethical, and justice focused candidate for the task at hand.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Wilton Dedge". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Wilton Dedge

cc: Senator John Cornyn
Senator Ted Cruz