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RE: Nomination of the Honorable Margaret R. Guzman

Dear Honorable Judiciary Committee Members:

On behalf of the Worcester County Bar Association ("WCBA") I write to enthusiastically support the nomination of the Honorable Margaret R. Guzman to the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts in Worcester. On February 14, 2022, the WCBA wrote to Senators Elizabeth Warren and Edward J. Markey expressing our sadness over the news that the Honorable Timothy S. Hillman would be moving to senior status. We urged the Senators to nominate someone from Central Massachusetts who understood the unique culture and legal community of our region. We asked that the nominee have a commitment to staying in and serving the people of Central Massachusetts, as Judge Hillman has done for years. We believe that Judge Margaret R. Guzman is the perfect candidate to fill that role.

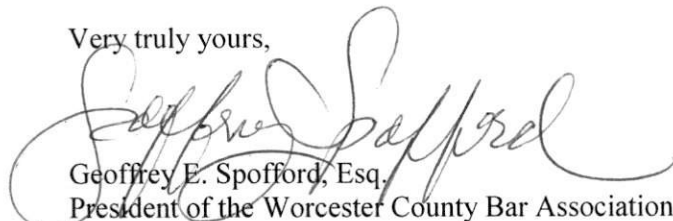
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Judge Guzman's commitment to the people of Central Massachusetts has been extraordinary and diverse. Her involvement with Dismas House, a reentry reform nonprofit organization, continued her efforts, in a volunteer capacity, of helping those with criminal records find a way to integrate into the community. She has engaged in the community with the same fervor that she did representing those in court, never seeking notoriety and with a variety of different commitments.

It is an honor to be the President of the Worcester County Bar Association, an association of over 900 members founded in 1887 to maintain the honor of the profession, promote the administration of justice, advance the science of jurisprudence, promote legal education and foster and encourage cooperation and good fellowship among members of the bar. Our Association, through its elected Executive Committee and officers, is honored to offer its support to the nomination of the Honorable Margaret Guzman. She will be an outstanding Federal District Court judge in Worcester.

Should you have any questions please feel free to contact me at 508 798-6303, cell at 508-735-7454 or [gspofford@lianzarrow.com](mailto:gspofford@lianzarrow.com).

Very truly yours,



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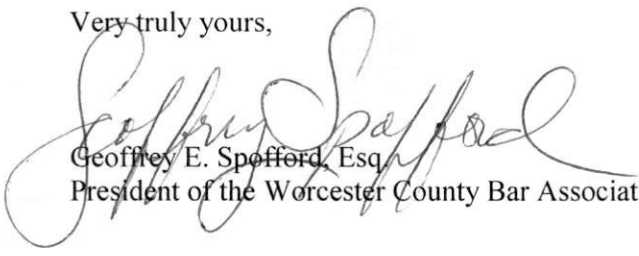
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