



September 7, 2021

The Honorable Charles E. Schumer
Majority Leader
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Richard J. Durbin
Chairman Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Mitch McConnell
Minority Leader
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

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

Re: Nomination of Elizabeth B. Prelogar for Solicitor General

Dear Majority Leader Schumer, Minority Leader McConnell, Chairman Durbin, and Ranking Member Grassley:

We were law partners of Elizabeth B. Prelogar, nominee for Solicitor General, until she joined the Department of Justice as Acting Solicitor General in January 2021. We write to you with our unequivocal and enthusiastic support for her nomination. Elizabeth is both an unparalleled legal talent and a person of the utmost integrity, fairness, and dedication to the rule of law. Based on our close personal experience with her, we are confident that she will represent the United States in the very best traditions of the Department of Justice.

We count among our ranks individuals with decades of legal experience and a variety of political points of view. A good number of us have served in the government, including as prosecutors. We represent a wide range of clients, from leading corporations to early stage ventures, across corporate, litigation, regulatory, and intellectual property practices. We are firmly committed to practicing law ethically and with integrity.

Elizabeth was a superlative law partner and counsel. She has an extraordinary capacity to understand and distill the most complicated legal and factual issues, on behalf of individuals, non-profit organizations, and the nation's leading enterprises. She also has a talent—developed through hard work and grit—of presenting such issues to courts and other audiences in a compelling and candid manner. We looked to her to provide counsel on exceptionally complicated and high-stakes questions, and she always rose to the occasion with poise and insight. She approached all questions with an open and fair mind, as well as a dedication to finding the right answer and providing wise counsel. We are all better lawyers from having interacted with and learned from her.

Elizabeth represents the best of our profession: an unmatched work ethic, deep concern for her clients and those around her, exceptional legal acumen, candor at all times, and genuine humility. We sincerely believe



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that the Nation will be well served by her confirmation.

Respectfully,

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