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The Honorable Mitch McConnell
Minority Leader
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The Honorable Richard J. Durbin
Chairman
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The Honorable Charles E. Grassley
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Dear Majority Leader Schumer, Minority Leader McConnell, Chair Durbin, and Ranking Member Grassley:

On behalf of the Delaware State Senate, we write in support of President Joseph R. Biden, Jr.'s nomination of the Honorable Tamika R. Montgomery-Reeves to serve as a Judge on the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit. Our letter contains a description of her professional experience and heralded reputation in the Delaware legal community; no words can truly explain how inspirationally intelligent, warm, and humble Justice Montgomery-Reeves is. In addition to encouraging you to vote for her confirmation, we hope you have the opportunity to speak with her at length - an experience each of us has treasured.

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Justice Montgomery-Reeves has served with distinction as a member of the Delaware Judiciary. She was nominated for the position of Vice Chancellor of the Delaware Court of Chancery in 2015, where she served until her appointment to the Delaware Supreme Court on December 5, 2019. Her nomination to the Court of Chancery was unanimously confirmed by the Delaware State Senate in a bipartisan demonstration of support. Significantly, the Court of Chancery is a trial court and Justice Montgomery-Reeves was assigned cases involving some of the most complex corporate disputes in the United States. She earned a well-deserved reputation for her exceptional judicial demeanor, intelligence, thoughtfulness, and hard work. In her four years as a Vice Chancellor, she issued more than eighty opinions, including post-trial opinions in cases tried before her.

In late 2019, Justice Montgomery-Reeves was nominated to serve as a Justice of the Supreme Court of Delaware. Once again, her nomination was confirmed with the unanimous, bipartisan consent of the Delaware Senate, because of her outstanding record in the Court of Chancery. She is the youngest jurist to sit on the Delaware Supreme Court. While on the Delaware Supreme Court, she has authored twenty-seven opinions and more than one hundred sixty-five orders resolving appeals.

Before becoming a member of the Judiciary, Justice Montgomery-Reeves was a partner in the Wilmington, Delaware office of Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati, where she focused on corporate governance, navigation of corporate fiduciary duties, stockholder class action litigation, derivative litigation, and complex litigation. Prior to her work in Delaware, Justice Montgomery-Reeves was in private practice in the securities and corporate governance department of Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP in New York.

Justice Montgomery-Reeves is respected for her contributions to *pro bono* service in Delaware. She serves as a member of the Delaware Community Foundation Board of Directors, a critically important non-profit organization in Delaware, whose mission is focused on promoting the common good and equality in communities throughout our State. She served on the Board of the Mother Teresa House, Inc., a non-profit founded to provide affordable housing for low-income individuals disabled by HIV/AIDS. She made significant contributions to the Prisoners' Rights Project to advance its mission to protect prisoners' fundamental rights to decent medical care, safety, and protection from abuse. She served on the Delaware Access to Justice Commission, which focuses on improving legal access for those who cannot afford legal representation. She has been working with Chief Justice Collins J. Seitz, Jr. on the steering committee tasked with developing a strategic plan to increase diversity in Delaware's Judiciary and legal community.

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Justice Montgomery-Reeves received her undergraduate degree in 2003 from the McDonnell-Barksdale Honors College at the University of Mississippi, and her law degree in 2006 from the University of Georgia School of Law. She served as a law clerk for Chancellor William B. Chandler III of the Delaware Court of Chancery, who has been an important mentor.

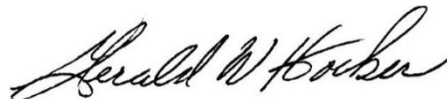
Justice Montgomery-Reeves has a stellar reputation in the Delaware legal community for her outstanding intellect, strong work ethic, compassion, and ability to build consensus. We are confident that she will bring these same qualities to the Federal bench.

The Delaware State Senate unequivocally endorses Justice Montgomery-Reeves nomination to the Third Circuit Court of Appeals and urges her confirmation.

Sincerely,



David P. Sokola
President Pro Tempore



Gerald W. Hocker
Senate Minority Leader



Bryan Townsend
Senate Majority Leader



Brian Pettyjohn
Senate Minority Whip



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Senate Majority Whip