



May 10, 2024

The Honorable Dick Durbin  
Chairman  
Senate Judiciary Committee  
224 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Lindsey Graham  
Ranking Member  
Senate Judiciary Committee  
224 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Durbin and Ranking Member Graham:

On behalf of the American Association for Justice (AAJ), I write to express our ardent support of Magistrate Judge Joseph F. Saporito's nomination to the United States District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania. We commend the Biden Administration for its dedication to strengthening the federal courts by nominating professionally diverse judges. Judge Saporito has a reputation for being a fair-minded judge and an exceptional litigator. He is held in high regard by his peers, and his nomination continues to receive widespread bipartisan support.

In addition to Judge Saporito's experience on the bench, his impressive background as a public defender and trial lawyer would bring the kind of professional diversity that is often missing in our courts. Prior to his appointment as a U.S. Magistrate Judge, Saporito practiced law for 29 years alongside his late father. Together, they represented the people of Northeastern Pennsylvania with care, integrity, and respect. Their long track record of representing individuals and families seeking justice and accountability is undeniable.

We strongly urge the Senate to move quickly with Judge Saporito's confirmation. He is immensely qualified and we look forward to the tremendous impact he will make as a District Court Judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you would like additional information regarding AAJ's support of this phenomenal nominee.

Sincerely,

Linda Lipsen  
CEO  
American Association for Justice