



## ASIAN AMERICAN JUDGES

ASSOCIATION OF ILLINOIS

January 26, 2024

The Honorable Richard J. Durbin  
Chairman, Judiciary Committee  
United States Senate  
711 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Charles E. Grassley  
Ranking Member, Judiciary Committee  
United States Senate  
135 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Chairman Durbin and Ranking Member Grassley:

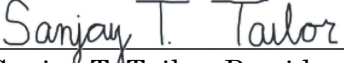
On behalf of the Asian American Judges Association of Illinois (AAJAI), I write in support of the nomination of the Honorable Sunil Harjani to District Judge of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois. Since its inception in 2020, the AAJAI has sought to promote the interests of a highly qualified judiciary that is representative of the community it serves, particularly the substantial Asian American community in Illinois. Judge Harjani is and will continue to be an outstanding jurist, and we respectfully ask that his nomination be confirmed.

Judge Harjani is well qualified for the position of District Judge. He has varied experience in both civil and criminal law, having held positions as a federal judicial law clerk, an associate at the law firm Jenner and Block, as Senior Counsel at the United States Securities & Exchange Commission, as an Assistant United States Attorney and Deputy Chief at the United States Attorney's Office in Chicago, and, for the last several years, as a Federal Magistrate Judge in the Northern District of Illinois.

In addition to his impeccable credentials, Judge Harjani has been actively involved in various bar associations and community organizations. He is a consummate professional, dependable, and a highly skilled problem solver. Judge Harjani's confirmation would be a significant milestone not only for the Asian American community, but also for all of the people of the Northern District of Illinois. Given his qualifications, his demeanor, and his demonstrated record of public service, we are confident that Judge Harjani would serve with distinction as a United States District Court Judge.

We are pleased to support Judge Harjani's nomination and urge the Senate Judiciary Committee to quickly confirm his nomination to the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois. Kindly note that, mindful of ethical rules governing federal judges, no federal judge who is a member of AAJAI participated in any way in AAJAI's decision to write this letter of support for Judge Harjani's nomination. If you have any questions, I can be reached at (773) 818-7208.

Sincerely,

  
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Sanjay T. Tailor, President  
Asian American Judges Association of Illinois