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The Honorable Dick Durbin
Chairman
Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Lindsey Graham
Ranking Member
Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Re: Nomination of Sarah M. Davenport, District Judge, District of New Mexico

Dear Chairman Durbin and Ranking Member Graham:

I write to encourage the Judiciary Committee to report favorably on the nomination of Sarah M. Davenport to serve as United States District Judge for the District of New Mexico, where I have practiced law for 17 years. It has been my pleasure to know Ms. Davenport since we were law school classmates at the University of New Mexico School of Law, Class of 2006. As a person, Sarah is warm, intelligent and kind, and her character is exemplary. She is active in the community and her church. I am proud to call her my friend. As an attorney, Sarah is a fierce prosecutor who has tackled some of the largest drug cases in our District. She has worked tirelessly to protect our community from the dangers of drug trafficking and the senseless violence it produces. I am certain that Sarah has had many opportunities to advance within the Department of Justice by moving to other jurisdictions, likely with the promise of more money and lighter caseloads. However, she has remained committed to her native New Mexico and has now chosen to continue her service in another capacity. Her dedication to public service, and to our state, is commendable.

I have no doubt that as a District Judge, Sarah would enforce the rule of law in a fair and impartial manner, and that she would devote her significant legal intellect to doing so. She is perceived by both her colleagues and opponents as fair and practical, and a consummate professional. She will bring all of these qualities to the bench. As someone who routinely appears before the judges in this District, I believe Sarah will be a valuable addition to our Court.

I am therefore pleased to join many other New Mexicans in endorsing Ms. Davenport for the position of District Judge and look forward to her serving New Mexico in that role.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Cody Rogers", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Cody R. Rogers