

May 1, 2024

The Honorable Richard J. Durbin
Chair, Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
711 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Lindsey Graham
Ranking Member, Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
211 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

RE: Support for the Nomination of Brian E. Murphy to the District of Massachusetts

Dear Chairman Durbin and Ranking Member,

We, the undersigned¹ practicing attorneys from Massachusetts, write to the Senate Judiciary Committee in support of Brian E. Murphy's nomination to serve as a federal judge in the District of Massachusetts. The undersigned group has extensive experience representing clients in both the public and private sectors handling both criminal and probate and family matters.

Mr. Murphy is a diligent advocate who has a wide range of legal experience. As a public defender with the Committee for Public Counsel Services, Mr. Murphy represented the indigent accused and ensured that the constitutional rights of each client were upheld. In his own private practice, his work ranged from continued indigent defense to privately representing criminal defendants to representation in the probate and family court. His range of experience makes him an exemplary nominee for the federal bench.

Each of the undersigned have worked directly with Mr. Murphy within these areas of law and know him to be a zealous advocate who engenders the respect of opposing counsel, court employees, and his clients. We have worked with Mr. Murphy or co-counseled matters involving falsely accused criminal defendants, women facing criminal charges as a result of intimate partner violence, and women desperately seeking child support owed to them. His demeanor across all of these areas of law is respectful, serious, and thoughtful. Mr. Murphy will bring all of this experience and this temperament to serve ably as a federal judge. We urge the Senate to confirm his nomination to serve as a judge in the District of Massachusetts.

¹ Each signatory to this letter joins in their personal capacity. Any titles and organizational affiliations listed below are for identification purposes only and do not reflect any broader endorsement beyond the named individuals.

Sincerely,

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