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Hon. Richard Durbin  
Committee on the Judiciary  
United States Senate  
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Washington D.C. 20510

Hon. Charles Grassley  
Committee on the Judiciary  
United States Senate  
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Dear Chairman Durbin and Ranking Member Grassley,

We, the signatories below, are former United States Attorneys for the Eastern and Western Districts of Virginia, who served under presidents of both parties during the past Forty-plus years. We write to express our strong support for the nomination of Jasmine Yoon, whose nomination to serve on the United States District Court for the Western District of Virginia is pending before the Committee on the Judiciary.

Given our prior roles as United States Attorneys, we are in a unique position to evaluate the qualifications for this most important work. We believe that Ms. Yoon possesses a unique mix of personal and professional experience that makes her exceptionally well-suited for this significant assignment. At each step of her varied legal career, Ms. Yoon has excelled. Trying criminal cases as an Assistant United States Attorney, advising her clients at the University of Virginia, and ensuring compliance with ethical standards and regulations at Capital One, Ms. Yoon has performed at the very highest level of our profession. She has consistently demonstrated creativity, exercised sound judgment, and scrupulously ensured fair treatment of all. If she is confirmed, we are certain that she will bring this same mix of raw intellect, diligence and integrity to the federal bench.

In addition to her professional experience, Ms. Yoon would come to the bench via an uncommon path. She immigrated to the United States from her native Korea as a teenager, working in her family's small business, earning a full scholarship to the University of Virginia, and becoming a naturalized American citizen. This experience gives Ms. Yoon a unique perspective about the opportunity that exists in this country and the value of democracy. She will bring this important perspective to her role as a District Judge and treat litigants, counsel and court staff with both courtesy and respect. Ms. Yoon also understands that justice should not be impacted by politics, patronage, fear or favor. We have no doubt that Ms. Yoon will interpret and apply the law in an even-handed manner and ensure the equal treatment of all who come before her.

It is for all these reasons that we unreservedly support Ms. Yoon's nomination and urge you to confirm her as a United States District Judge for the Western District of Virginia. She is

precisely the type of candidate to whom we should trust the application of our laws, and she will be a credit to the federal bench.

Respectfully,

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John Brownlee (WDVA, 2001-2008)  
Paul McNulty (EDVA 2001-2005)  
Chuck Rosenberg (EDVA 2006-2008)  
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Neil MacBride (EDVA 2009-2013)  
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