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Hon. Patrick Leahy
Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Re: Gerald J. Pappert

Dear Senator Leahy:

I write to express my strong support for President Obama's decision to nominate Jerry Pappert for the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. I first met Jerry in the late 90s, when he was serving as Chief Deputy to then Attorney General and now 3rd Circuit Judge Mike Fisher. The relationship continued during the time when Jerry succeeded Mike as Pennsylvania Attorney General and has continued since his departure for private practice.

Jerry was and remains respected and liked by AGs of all political stripes. He has the brains, temperament, broad experience and deep commitment to important ethical standards to be a valuable addition to the federal judiciary. Jerry is currently a commercial litigator in the Cozen O'Connor law firm. He has continued in public service as Chair of Pennsylvania's Banking and Securities Commission.

Like yours truly, he has a degree from Notre Dame – not St. Michael's, but close!

Please feel free to reach out to me if you would like to discuss Jerry's qualifications in greater detail.

Sincerely,


William H. Sorrell