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May 14, 2024

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

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

**Re: CHIEF MAGISTRATE JUDGE JOSEPH F. SAPORITO, JR.
*United States District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania***

Dear Senator Durbin and Senator Graham:


In my capacity as President of the Pennsylvania Association of Justice (PAJ), I write this letter in support of the nomination of Chief Magistrate Judge Joseph F. Saporito, Jr., to the position of United States District Judge in the Middle District of Pennsylvania.

In his 10 years on the bench, Chief Magistrate Judge Saporito has exemplified all of the characteristics important to serve as an Article III Judge in the Middle District of Pennsylvania. Additionally, Chief Magistrate Judge Saporito's diverse professional experience as a public defender provides a unique perspective and informs his service. I have checked with PAJ's membership, and Chief Magistrate Judge Saporito is respected, highly regarded, and widely known to have the perfect judicial temperament and experience to assume this important role.

PAJ extends an enthusiastic and unqualified recommendation and wholeheartedly supports the nomination of Chief Magistrate Judge Saporito to serve as Judge of the United

States of District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania. Thank you for your kindness.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Elizabeth A. Chiappetta". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'E'.

Elizabeth A. Chiappetta, Esq.
President, Pennsylvania Association of Justice

cc: Honorable Robert P. Casey, Jr., Esq.
Honorable John Fetterman