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The Honorable Charles E. Schumer
Majority Leader of the United States Senate
322 Hart Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

RE: NOMINATION OF ADEEL A. MANGI

Dear Senator Schumer:

On behalf of the Police Conference of New York, the largest police organization in the great State of New York, representing more than 50,000 professional police officers from 200+ member units, I write to advise you of our serious concerns with the nomination of Adeel A. Mangi to potentially serve on the Third Circuit, United States Court of Appeals.

While no doubt qualified as an attorney, Mr. Mangi has never been a judge at any level; placing him on the Court of Appeals, one step below the United States Supreme Court, is ill-advised. However, his glaring lack of judicial experience is not the only factor screaming for disqualification. While we acknowledge that some may view this as an "historic" nomination, a person with no relevant experience should not be given a judgeship at the second highest level of our judicial system solely based on uniqueness unrelated to legal ability.

Further, and more importantly for our membership, Mr. Mangi's work as a Board Member of the Alliance of Families for Justice should be disqualifying. The Alliance was founded by Kathy Boudin, convicted for her role in the 1981 Brink's robbery by the Weather Underground that left two police officers executed in cold blood. The Alliance has advocated, and continues to advocate, for the release of at least six other cop-killers – Sundiata Acoli, Mumia Abu Jamal, Mutulu Shakur, Russell Maroon Shoatz, Jamil Al Amin, Kamau Sadiki – referring to them all as “elder freedom fighters”.

The fact that the Alliance, with Mr. Mangi's support, praises these cop-killers as leaders to follow and is calling for their release is an affront to the men and women who have dedicated their lives to protecting our communities. Above all, it is an insult to the survivors of their heinous crimes and similar crimes against law enforcement: the family and friends of officers who have made the ultimate sacrifice.

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While it is one thing to stand up for the rights of those shunned or mistreated by society; it is a far different thing to exalt unrepentant killers, indeed terrorists, who were convicted following legal trials in courts of law. As a member of the bar, Mr. Mangi clearly is smart enough to know the difference, and has made his choice. He has consistently, and even proudly, advocated against those who put their lives on the line every day to serve and sacrifice to protect us all. Mr. Mangi's conscious work with the Alliance demonstrates an anti-victim and anti-law enforcement bias that would obviously and clearly cloud his judicial decisions.

We appreciate your consideration of our grave concerns with respect to the nomination of Mr. Mangi, and strongly urge you to oppose his appointment.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Michael O'Meara", written in a cursive style.

Michael O'Meara
President