

September 9, 2022

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

The Honorable Charles E. Grassley
Committee on the Judiciary
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Dear Chairman Durbin and Ranking Member Grassley:

We write to convey our enthusiastic support for the nomination of Jamar K. Walker to the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia. Both of us had the privilege of serving as the United States Attorney in that district, and we have held a variety of other leadership positions in federal law enforcement. We are deeply committed to the Department of Justice's animating principle of fundamental fairness as well as its mission to uphold the rule of law while doing equal and impartial justice.

We know Jamar well, having supervised his work as an Assistant United States Attorney for many years. We can therefore attest that, in addition to being an experienced trial attorney and leader in the United States Attorney's Office, Jamar is a person of unimpeachable character who is known by the bench and the bar for his keen intellect, decency, sober judgment, and humility. Both professionally and personally, Jamar has consistently exhibited characteristics that are essential to our system of justice: integrity, independence, and fidelity to the rule of law.

The Eastern District of Virginia has a long history of exemplary service from its many quarters, including federal prosecutors, federal defenders, and federal judges. Jamar is exceptionally well qualified to carry on this proud tradition by serving as a United States District Judge, and we hope that he will be confirmed to that post. We harbor no doubt that as a member of the federal judiciary, Jamar will meet his obligations—as he always has—with honor and distinction.

Respectfully,

Dana J. Boente (2008–09; 2013–18)
G. Zachary Terwilliger (2018–21)