

March 20, 2023

The Honorable Dick Durbin  
Chair  
Committee on the Judiciary  
United States Senate  
224 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
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The Honorable Lindsey Graham  
Ranking Member  
Committee on the Judiciary  
United States Senate  
152 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
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Re: Nomination of Molly Silfen to the U.S. Court of Federal Claims

Dear Chairman Durbin and Ranking Member Graham:

We write to express our enthusiastic support for the nomination, and confirmation, of Molly Silfen to the United States Court of Federal Claims. We are all former law clerks at the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit and we overlapped with Ms. Silfen during her clerkship from 2008-2010. We come from across the political spectrum and, since clerking, have worked in academia, private companies, law firms, and around the government.

As a clerk, Ms. Silfen consistently mastered the facts and issues in the cases that she handled. She assisted the Court with diligent research and provided thoughtful insights into the decision-making process of each case. In preparation for a case, she was even-handed in her approach, asking probing questions of fellow clerks that were designed to illuminate the legal issues on both sides. Her ultimate goal in every case was to determine the correct outcome under the law and advise the court accordingly. In doing so, Ms. Silfen always demonstrated an unbiased and impartial demeanor. Since clerking, some of us have been opposing counsel opposite Ms. Silfen and we found her to be an exceedingly intelligent, hard-working, judicious, and fair-minded attorney.

Ms. Silfen's thoughtfulness, intellect, and work ethic—among other qualities—will make her an excellent addition to the United States Court of Federal Claims. We are proud to recommend that the Committee confirm Ms. Silfen's nomination to the United States Court of Federal Claims. We are confident that she will serve the Court honorably and represent the Judiciary with distinction.

Respectfully submitted,

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