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The Honorable Richard J. Durbin, Chairman  
Committee on the Judiciary United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Charles E. Grassley, Ranking Member  
Committee on the Judiciary  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

Re; Nomination of U.S. Magistrate Judge Jonathan J.C. Grey for U.S. District Court Judge  
for the Eastern District of Michigan

Dear Chairman Durbin and Ranking Member Grassley:

My name is David M. DeVillers. I am a partner with the law firm of Barnes & Thornburg. I was previously the United States Attorney for the Southern District of Ohio from 2019-2021, appointed by former President Donald J. Trump, and an Assistant United States Attorney in the same district from 2002-2019. I write to you today to express my strong support of the nomination of U.S. Magistrate Judge Jonathan J.C. Grey for U.S. District Court Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan.

Over his years of service, Magistrate Judge Grey has truly done it all. He has investigated and prosecuted white collar crime, child exploitation, violent crime, and major drug trafficking organizations. I had the pleasure of working with then Jonathon from 2016-2021, first in my capacity as an AUSA and then as the United States Attorney. In particular, as an AUSA, I cocounseled an international cartel operating in numerous countries in this hemisphere with Jonathan. Throughout the district, his skill and experience well known by line AUSAs and management alike. His work ethic and intellect was admired by all.

As United States Attorney I sought out advice from Jonathan on numerous occasions and I have always been impressed by his work ethic, intellect, and principles. He clearly cared deeply about the work he was doing and how his actions impacted the lives of both victims and defendants. I have never seen him lose his temper, and he has always shown respect for others.

In short, Magistrate Judge Grey is one of the finest AUSAs I have ever encountered. I also know that he is respected by both the judiciary and defense bar. There is no doubt that he would make excellent District Court Judge. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Yours Truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. M. DeVillers". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent initial "D" and "M".

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David M. DeVillers  
Special Prosecutor