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The Honorable Dick Durbin
Chairman
Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
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The Honorable Chuck Grassley
Ranking Member
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RE: Hon. Daniel Calabretta: Nominee for the United States District Court Eastern District of California

Dear Chairman Durbin and Ranking Member Grassley:

It is with great enthusiasm that I recommend Judge Daniel Calabretta to serve as a federal judge on the District Court for the Eastern District of California.

Judge Calabretta has served with distinction on California's Superior Court bench since January 4th 2019.

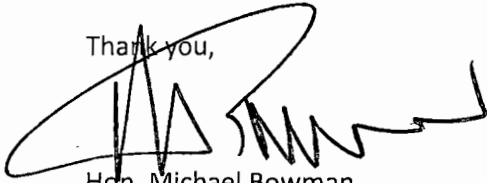
In his relatively brief time spent as a judge on the Sacramento Superior Court, Judge Calabretta has distinguished himself as a true leader on this court. Despite his relatively short tenure on the bench, I appointed him as the Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Court based on his reputation as working in a collaborative manner with each of the parties to achieve the best outcome for the children and families before him. He has not disappointed. In his time as Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Court, he has earned the respect of our justice partners, including the district attorney's office, probation, public defender's office, child welfare, and counsel for parents and children. As a judge, he hears some of the most difficult cases in the juvenile justice system involving victims of child sexual exploitation. I understand that he runs his calendar efficiently with an eye toward ensuring all parties are heard and respected.

Judge Calabretta exercises sound judgment, and is reputed to be even-keeled under pressure. His rulings are fair, well-reasoned, and respected by the litigants.

Judge Calabretta is active outside of court in educating judges across the state. After just two years in a juvenile dependency assignment, he was asked to be on the faculty for Juvenile Dependency Primary Assignment Orientation, a week-long course provided to judges new to the dependency assignment. In addition, he has served as a panelist for several trainings organized by the California Judicial Council's Center for Judicial Education and Research. In recognition of his leadership, Judge Calabretta was recently appointed to the Child Welfare Council by the Presiding Judge of the Court of Appeal for the Third Appellate District. Judge Calabretta has also been involved as a team leader for the Anthony M. Kennedy American Inn of Court, which is devoted to professionalism, ethics and civility — qualities Judge Calabretta possesses in abundance.

Having worked with Judge Calabretta, I can confidentially say that he has the necessary temperament, work ethic, and respect for the rule of law to be a highly successful federal district court judge. I recommend his confirmation without hesitation.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael Bowman", written over a large, loopy scribble.

Hon. Michael Bowman

October, 5, 2022