



April 22, 2022

United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Re: Confirm Nancy Abudu to the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit

Dear Senator,

The League of Conservation Voters (LCV) believes that a healthy, functioning democracy where all people can participate freely and equitably is necessary to address climate change, protect our communities, and deliver environmental justice. Each year, LCV publishes the *National Environmental Scorecard*, detailing the voting records of members of Congress on environmental legislation. The *Scorecard* is distributed to LCV members, concerned voters nationwide, and the media.

We urge you to vote YES on the nomination of Nancy Abudu to the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit. Her extraordinary career championing our country's most fundamental rights makes her an outstanding choice for the Eleventh Circuit, which she once served as a staff attorney. She should be confirmed without delay.

As Strategic Litigation Director for the Southern Poverty Law Center and previously as Senior Staff Counsel at the ACLU Voting Rights Project, Abudu has earned a reputation as one of the nation's leading experts on the fundamental right to vote. She has fought numerous forms of voter suppression targeting people of color, people with disabilities, low-income people, pre-trial detainees, people who had completed their felony sentences, and more. She took on complex civil rights and voting rights cases during her time as Legal Director at the ACLU of Florida. And she has experience in private practice, including with Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher, & Flom.

Beyond her exemplary professional qualifications, Abudu would be the first Black woman and first Black Georgian to serve on the Eleventh Circuit. These historic firsts are long overdue given that nearly 23% of Eleventh Circuit residents and 33% of Georgia residents are Black.

For all these reasons, LCV strongly urges you to vote YES on Nancy Abudu's nomination to the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit. We will strongly consider including votes on this nomination in our next *Scorecard*. If you would like more information, please reach out to a member of our government relations team.

Sincerely,

Gene Karpinski
President