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

The Honorable Lindsey Graham
Ranking Member
Senate Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
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Dear Chairman Durbin and Ranking Member Graham,

My name is H. Minor Pipes, III. I have been a lawyer in New Orleans, Louisiana since 1996.

I'm writing this letter on behalf of Mr. Darrel J. Papillion. I was delighted to learn that Darrel was nominated to become a judge of the Eastern District of Louisiana.

I have known Darrel for many years. We attended LSU Law School where he graduated in 1994. He worked with my wife as a paralegal to start his career and he and I have had numerous cases together on the same side and opposing each other. I have also worked closely with him during our years of service as both ex-Presidents of the Louisiana State Bar Association.

Darrel is an excellent attorney, well respected and universally liked by the bench and bar. Not only is he one of the finest lawyers I know, but he is also one of the finest persons you could ever meet. I know him to be a man of great personal integrity, professionalism and ethics.

If I can be of assistance with anything, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



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