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The Honorable Richard J. Durbin Chair, Committee on the Judiciary United States Senate 711 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Charles E. Grassley Ranking Member, Committee on the Judiciary United States Senate 135 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

## Re: Support for the Nomination of Julia Kobick to the District of Massachusetts

Dear Chairman Durbin and Ranking Member Grassley:

We, the undersigned 119 lawyers and legal scholars from Massachusetts,<sup>1</sup> write to the Senate Judiciary Committee in support of Julia Kobick's nomination to serve as a federal judge in the District of Massachusetts. The undersigned group has extensive experience representing clients both in the public and private sectors, handling civil and criminal matters, and working on a range of topics from civil and workers rights to education, health care, and commercial matters.

Ms. Kobick is a brilliant and skilled advocate who has spent her entire career in service to the public. Over the past nine years, Ms. Kobick has worked for the people of Massachusetts as an assistant attorney general. Her range of experience and commitment to justice make her an exemplary nominee for the federal bench.

Ms. Kobick clearly has demonstrated the facility with the law, temperament, and judgment needed to be an effective administrator of justice. She has worked on a wide range of cases in the Massachusetts Attorney General's Office covering administrative, statutory, and constitutional

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Each signatory to this letter joins in their personal capacity. Any titles and organizational affiliations listed below are for identification purposes only and do not reflect any broader endorsement beyond the named individuals.

issues. In all of those matters, Ms. Kobick has conducted herself beyond reproach and earned the respect of her colleagues as well as opposing counsel.

Throughout her career, Ms. Kobick has demonstrated a fundamental commitment to the rule of law. Her role as an advocate often has involved defending statutes and administrative action against challenges brought by groups or individuals. In that capacity, Ms. Kobick has been required to balance the interests of the agency clients she represents, the independence and authority of the Attorney General for whom she works, and the public interest she serves. Her ability to do so with such grace and skill makes her exceptionally qualified to be a federal judge.

In addition, Ms. Kobick is very well prepared to handle the responsibilities of a federal judgeship. Given Ms. Kobick's extensive experience as a clerk at all three levels of the federal judiciary she understands deeply how federal courts operate. The lessons learned from three highly respected jurists equip her with the perspective needed to be a fair and impartial arbiter of the law.

In conclusion, Ms. Kobick has the temperament, humility, and intellect to serve ably as a federal judge. She is superbly qualified for this position, and will be an excellent guardian of the U.S. Constitution and its command of equal justice for all. We urge the Senate to confirm her nomination to serve as a judge in the District of Massachusetts.

Sincerely,

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