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The Honorable Richard J. Durbin
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The Honorable Charles E. Grassley
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The Honorable Lindsey Graham
Incoming Ranking Member
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Honorable Senators:

It is a privilege to write to you in support of Michael Delaney's nomination as a jurist for the United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit. Mr. Delaney's extensive record of service to the State of New Hampshire speaks volumes of his character and experience. In my humble opinion, you would be hard pressed to find a better nominee.

As Chief of Police for the largest municipality in New Hampshire, I can attest that, during Mr. Delaney's tenure as the NH Attorney General, his office provided invaluable insight and expertise to my agency in over a dozen homicide investigations. Many of these investigations ended in convictions that directly resulted from Mr. Delaney's commitment to seeing justice

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done. As an example, Mr. Delaney's office prosecuted Joshua Sprague for the murder of Lennox Tibbs in October of 2009. As Mr. Tibbs begged for his life, Mr. Sprague shot him twice. The successful prosecution of this matter by Mr. Delaney and his team led to a life sentence for Mr. Sprague, and the citizens of NH are safer as a result.

Another example of Mr. Delaney's work as NH Attorney General is the successful conviction of John Hoggarty, who in April of 2013 murdered his own wife, slicing her throat and stabbing her in the neck several times, as she lay in her bed. Mr. Hoggarty suspected her of infidelity. Despite the fact that their 6-year-old child was asleep in their home, he perpetrated this brutal attack. Again, Mr. Delaney and his team were called upon to prosecute this matter, and Mr. Hoggarty was subsequently convicted and sentenced to 30 years, which was tantamount to a life sentence, given that Mr. Hoggarty was 54 at the time.

I could continue with many more examples of Mr. Delaney's record of service and his contributions to the safety of those who reside in the State of NH, but I will end here and simply restate my ardent support of Mr. Delaney's nomination. He is more than worthy of an appointment to the United States Court of Appeals, and I recommend him for this position, without reservation.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



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