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The Honorable Dick Durbin  
United States Senator  
Chair, Committee on the Judiciary  
711 Hart Senate Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Chuck Grassley  
United States Senator  
Ranking Member, Committee on the Judiciary  
135 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Chair Durbin and Ranking Member Grassley:

I am writing in support of the nomination of Kymberly Evanson for the position of United States District Court Judge for the Western District of Washington. I am an attorney in the Civil Division of the King County Prosecuting Attorney's office, where I specialize in constitutional and municipal law questions. I have also worked 15 years as a prosecutor in our Criminal Division.

During my time in the Civil Division, Ms. Evanson has worked with me as outside counsel on two important matters of first impression that were ultimately decided by the Washington Supreme Court. The first matter, *End Prison Industrial Complex v. King County*, 192 Wash.2d 560, 431 P.3d 998, 999 (2018), involved novel questions of election law and state tax law. The second case, *King County v. King County Water Districts Nos. 20 et al.*, 125, 194 Wash. 2d 830, 453 P.3d 681, 684 (2019), involved unresolved questions of municipal authority under statute and the Washington constitution. In both cases, I greatly appreciated Ms. Evanson's ability to formulate new legal arguments based on King County's public policy preferences. Importantly, she provides a practical outlook toward solving legal problems. Her reasoning and written briefing are both thorough and concise.

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I've also had the opportunity to consult with her on other difficult legal questions. She was always generous with her time and insightful on her approaches.

I firmly believe that Ms. Evanson's intelligence, experience, and demeanor will make her an excellent United States District Court Judge in the Western District of Washington. I wholeheartedly recommend her confirmation. Thank you for considering this letter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David J. Hackett", written over a horizontal line.

David J. Hackett  
Senior Deputy Prosecuting Attorney