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The Honorable Richard J. Durbin
Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
224 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Chuck E. Grassley
Ranking Member, Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
224 Dirksen Senate Office Building
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Re: Letter in support of Nusrat Choudhury, nominee for the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York

Dear Chairman Durbin and Ranking Member Grassley:

I am the Chief of Staff for the City of Milwaukee's Fire and Police Commission and a former Assistant City Attorney for the City of Milwaukee. I write in my personal capacity to you and members of the Senate Judiciary Committee in support of President Joe Biden's nomination of Ms. Choudhury to serve as a District Court Judge on the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York.

Ms. Choudhury was my opposing counsel in *Collins v. Milwaukee*, during which time I grew to know and respect her as an attorney and someone well-suited to being a judge. Both I and the police officers who worked with her to settle the case found her to be respectful of law enforcement and the importance of policing to public safety. She is fair-minded and was a pleasure to work with on these serious and challenging issues.

I understand that Ms. Choudhury has been accused of making factually incorrect statements critical of law enforcement. That's not the kind of person we worked with – she was always fact-based and accurate in all of her communications with us. She has disavowed any false claims that police are killing Black people every day in America, which is consistent with my firsthand experience in working with her on policing issues. I have every confidence in her temperament and ability to be an impartial judge and know her to be exceptionally well-qualified for the position.

I support her nomination without reservation, and urge the Senate Judiciary Committee to advance her nomination to the full Senate.

Sincerely,

