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United States Senate Committee on the Judiciary  
224 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Durbin, Ranking Member Grassley, and Committee Members:

**On behalf of the 200,000 advocates of National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW), I am writing in support of the nomination of Judge J. Michelle Childs to the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit.**

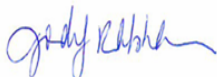
The DC Circuit is known as the second highest court in the country and considers cases of national importance relating to civil rights, labor, health care, immigration, and the environment. Judge Childs has the background, temperament, and experience necessary to serve on this critical court.

Prior to her current position on the United States District Court for the District of South Carolina, Judge Childs was a Commissioner on the South Carolina Workers' Compensation Commission and also served as Deputy Director of the Division of Labor at the South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation. She was formerly a partner with the law firm of Nexsen Pruet Jacobs & Pollard, LLP, in Columbia, South Carolina, where she practiced in the areas of employment and labor law and general litigation. Additionally, Judge Childs contributed to Restatement of the Law Third: Employment Law, important guidance on labor and employment law used by courts, legislatures, and in legal education.

In addition to her scholarship, expertise, and decades of experience as a federal judge — where she decided voting rights, marriage equality, and other cases likely to come before the court — Judge Childs brings gender and racial diversity to the DC Circuit. Our federal courts are largely white and male, and having diverse experiences and perspectives on the bench allows judges to make better-informed decisions in addition to increasing public confidence in their rulings.

Over 400,000 cases are filed each year in our federal district and circuit courts, and these cases affect countless people every day. Because of this, for decades, NCJW has advocated for judges who are fair, independent, qualified, and reflect the communities they serve. Judge J. Michelle Childs more than meets our criteria, and I urge you to support her nomination.

Sincerely,



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