

November 16, 2021

Judiciary Committee
United States Senate

Re: Nomination of Sara Geraghty for the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Georgia

Dear Judiciary Counsel Members:

I write in support of the nomination of Sara Geraghty for the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Georgia. I have known her ever since she came to the Southern Center for Human Rights in 2003. Since retiring as Chief Justice of the Georgia Supreme Court in 2005, I have been a strong supporter of the Southern Center. Her record over these many years has been outstanding.

It has resulted in bringing fairness in all sectors of our criminal justice system of Georgia. I particularly appreciate her efforts in 2015 that resulted in preserving important minimal standards for indigent counsel in Georgia's Public Defender System.

Ms. Geraghty is a 1999 graduate of the University of Michigan Law School, one of America's most prestigious law schools. She then clerked for a district court judge for the Northern District of Illinois, followed by a year with the Office of the Appellant Defender in New York. Her entire career has been dedicated to public service. Her understanding of the U.S. Constitution as interpreted by the U.S. Supreme Court has been reflected in her writings and in her litigation in the trial and appellate courts.

I have no doubt that if she is confirmed she will be a fair and neutral arbiter of the law in all cases that come before her as she serves on the U.S. District Court. I highly recommend Ms. Geraghty to you. We need people with her intellect and experience serving on our U.S. District Courts.

Sincerely,


NORMAN S. FLETCHER

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