

April 5, 2022

Honorable Joseph Biden
President of the United States of America
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President Biden:

I am Jorge Iván Vélez Arocho, President of the Pontifical Catholic University of Puerto Rico since 2009. Before I was the Chancellor of the University of Puerto Rico at Mayaguez, the premier science and engineering institution in Puerto Rico where I was also a professor for thirtyseven years. During my tenure at Mayaguez I was able to know David Antongiorgi, professor of our institution, and the father of attorney María Antongiorgi who is seeking consideration as a judicial nominee to the US District Court in Puerto Rico for one of its current three vacancies.

Attorney Antongiorgi comes from a very respected family with high ethical and social values. Since 2008 she is responsible for the drafting of the ethics questions for the District of Puerto Rico Bar Examination Committee. Her father was a distinguished professor of the University of Puerto Rico at Mayaguez and in its community. I am convinced that her family strongly influenced attorney Antongiorgi in her personal and professional life.

Attorney Antongiorgi has an impressive academic and professional curriculum vitae. In particular I will emphasize her litigation responsibilities as lead counsel in several trials and notable reported cases. He experience as clerk of court and chief deputy clerk of the U.S. District Court for the District of Puerto Rico provides attorney Antongiorgi a solid understanding of the U.S. District Court identity and mission.

It is an honor to write this letter for a person who has a recognized legal and personal reputation in Puerto Rico.

Cordially,



Jorge Iván Vélez Arocho
President



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Re: Letter in Support of Nomination of María Antongiorgi as District Judge
For the District of Puerto Rico

Dear Mr. President:

As Dean of the Pontifical Catholic University of Puerto Rico School of Law, I kindly welcome the opportunity to support the nomination of attorney María Antongiorgi-Jordán to the position of District Judge.

Her impressive Curriculum Vitae speaks volumes about her extensive litigation experience, her substantive knowledge of the law and superb case management skills, reasons for which she was entrusted the litigation of class actions, multi-party cases and issues of first impression.

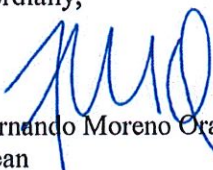
In addition to her primary responsibilities for each case entrusted, she devoted time to assist the U.S. District Court while enrolling in the Criminal Justice Act Panel of Attorneys providing legal representation to indigent defendants federally charged. She has also assisted the Court's outreach endeavors. Her participation in assisting the Court in providing guidance and training to the federal judiciary and federal employees makes evident that her support to the federal judiciary's mission is long-standing and firm.

While prior to my tenure as Dean, I have been made aware that Ms. Antongiorgi collaborated with a former professor in co-teaching a Federal Litigation Course and assisting students to develop cross-examinations and deposition taking skills.

Without a doubt, Ms. Antongiorgi's vast substantive and professional experience, analytical skills, soundness of character, ethical reputation and her proven commitment to hard work and service, makes her a superbly qualified professional to occupy and bear the responsibilities of the position of District Judge.

I unequivocally support her nomination.

Cordially,


Fernando Moreno Orama
Dean