

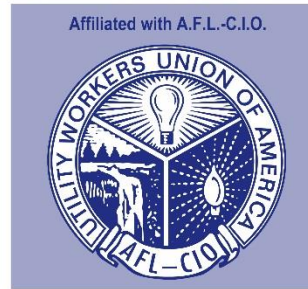
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**UTILITY WORKERS UNION OF AMERICA SUPPORT FOR THE CONFIRMATION OF KRISTEN CLARKE TO  
BE ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR CIVIL RIGHTS**

Dear Senators:

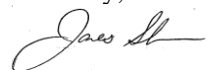
The Utility Workers Union of America, AFL-CIO (UWUA) is proud today to offer our endorsement for Kristen Clarke to be confirmed as the next Assistant Attorney General for Civil Rights within the U.S. Department of Justice. We write to express our strong support for her confirmation based on a lifelong track record of service in advancing and defending the civil and constitutional rights of all Americans to be free from discrimination.

As the leader of the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, Ms. Clarke has been a champion of civil rights, just as she has throughout her career. Her lifetime of service and extensive civil rights record demonstrates why we are confident that the nation needs her skills and experience. Further, as the first woman in history to be confirmed by the Senate as Assistant Attorney General for Civil Rights at the Justice Department, Ms. Clarke would break new, and long overdue, ground for civil rights simply through the act of her confirmation.

With her guidance, the Lawyers' Committee has defended civil rights even when the Justice Department would not, fighting hate, protecting voting rights and fighting for both racial and economic justice. The breadth and scope of Ms. Clarke's civil rights record speaks for itself. Her accomplishments span both civil rights organizations and federal and state government service. Her litigation experience and leadership skills will be critical components for her ability to lead the Civil Rights Division.

President Biden's choice in nominating Kristen Clarke to be the Assistant Attorney General for Civil Rights is a historic opportunity that embodies the ideals for which the Civil Rights Division was created. As such, the UWUA urges Ms. Clarke's confirmation as quickly as possible. The nation's need, and her lifetime of service to civil rights, are perfectly aligned and we have every confidence in her ability to lead the Division with humility, dignity, and a spirit of service.

Sincerely,



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