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VIA E-MAIL

The Honorable W. Neil Eggleston

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**Re: Nomination of Chief Judge Merrick B. Garland
to the Supreme Court of the United States**

Dear Mr. Eggleston:

The ABA Standing Committee on the Federal Judiciary has completed its evaluation of the professional qualifications of Chief Judge Merrick Garland, who the President nominated for the position of an Associate Justice on the United States Supreme Court. The Committee is of the unanimous opinion that Chief Judge Merrick Garland is "Well Qualified" for this position. One Committee member was recused from the evaluation and vote. In accordance with our established procedures for a Supreme Court nominee, I attach a written statement addressed to Chairman Grassley, Ranking Member Leahy, and Members of the Senate Judiciary Committee which explains the Standing Committee's reasoning for its rating.

This rating letter and the Standing Committee's statement have been provided to Chief Judge Merrick Garland.

Sincerely,



KAROL CORBIN WALKER
Chair

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cc: Honorable Merrick Garland (via e-mail)
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