



SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE

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Hon. Charles Grassley
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Hon. Diane Feinstein
Ranking Member
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Re: Support for Confirmation of Colorado Supreme Court Justice Allison Eid to the Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals

Dear Chairman Grassley and Ranking Member Feinstein:

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is writing in support of the confirmation of Colorado Supreme Court Justice Allison Eid to the United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit. Justice Eid's considerable qualifications for this prestigious appointment are not in question. As a Colorado Supreme Court Justice, Justice Eid has demonstrated expertise in a broad spectrum of legal matters including the field of federal Indian law. Justice Eid's judicial record evidences her understanding of tribal sovereignty and other matters that are acutely important to the Tribe. Because these matters are often resolved in the Supreme Court following a decision in a federal appellate circuit in the West, it is critical that the judges on those circuit courts possess a working understanding of Indian law issues. Because she is well-versed in the established principles of federal Indian law, as well as many other areas of the law, the Tribe supports the nomination of Justice Eid.

Sincerely,


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