

The Honorable Chuck Grassley
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The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
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The Honorable John Kennedy
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November 28, 2017

Re: Louisiana Legal Practitioners Support Nomination of S. Kyle Duncan

Dear Chairman Grassley, Ranking Member Feinstein; Member Cassidy, and Member Kennedy:

Members of the Louisiana legal community resoundingly support the nomination of S. Kyle Duncan to the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals. As practicing attorneys, we hold a wide range of political views on both sides of the aisle. Regardless, we all agree that Kyle Duncan is exceptionally well-qualified to serve as Judge on the Fifth Circuit, and he will make everyone in Louisiana proud.

Much of his career has centered on Louisiana, be it serving as the Appellate Chief for the Louisiana Department of Justice, clerking for the Fifth Circuit in Louisiana, or representing numerous Louisiana officials and agencies in appellate matters. As a born and raised son of Baton Rouge, he would bring valuable life experience to the Fifth Circuit.

We know Kyle Duncan to possess impeccable character and the right temperament for the judiciary. He is honest, kind, and fair to all those he encounters. Furthermore, Kyle's broad range of experience makes him ideally suited to serve on the Fifth Circuit. He has ably handled legal matters as far ranging as criminal law and admiralty law. As a proven advocate, he has argued

twice in the U.S. Supreme Court, and numerous times in the Fifth Circuit, Louisiana Supreme Court, and other courts.

We urge support for this highly-qualified nominee from Louisiana.

Respectfully,

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