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The Honorable Emmet G. Sullivan,
Chairperson
District of Columbia
Judicial Nomination Commission
616 H Street, NW, Suite 623
Sixth Floor (Gallery Place)
Washington, DC 20001

Dear Judge Sullivan:

The Hispanic Bar Association of D.C. is pleased to give its highest endorsement to Armando Rodriguez-Feo for appointment as an Associate Judge on the Superior Court for the District of Columbia. The Hispanic Bar undertakes careful review and consideration of individuals who seek our endorsement. We conduct such an evaluation, which includes a personal interview, to ensure individuals with impeccable credentials, as well as proper temperament and character, are supported for this trusted position. Mr. Rodriguez-Feo is such an individual.

Mr. Rodriguez-Feo is a graduate of Florida International University and graduated *cum laude* from the University of Miami School of Law in 1996. Following law school, he entered into the United States Navy Judge Advocate General's (JAG) Corps. In that position, he gained meaningful experience in both civil and criminal law. During his time in the Navy JAG Corps, he served various functions, including practice as a civil litigation attorney, criminal defense attorney and prosecutor, and as a staff judge advocate. Accordingly, he obtained a variety of experiences both as a civil and criminal attorney, and as both a criminal defense attorney and prosecutor, that make him thoroughly well-rounded in his experience and fitting for a judge.

Mr. Rodriguez-Feo is currently a trial attorney in the U.S. Department of Justice Civil Division. He has been in that position since March 2007. While in the civil division, he has appeared in nearly 60 trial and appellate cases, and has represented the United States in numerous commercial litigation cases before the United States Court of Federal Claims and the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. In addition to his legal practice experience, he has served as an adjunct professor at the University of Maryland University College in Bahrain and Hawaii Pacific University.

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Letter re: Endorsement of Armando Rodriguez-Feo

Mr. Rodriguez-Feo's extensive experience in appellate and trial law makes him qualified to serve on the Superior Court of the District of Columbia. In addition, however, his life and experience has formed his judgment and will enable him to be an effective and compassionate judge. It is the HBA-DC's considered opinion that Mr. Rodriguez-Feo possesses the skills and attributes that would serve the judiciary well and has our highest endorsement.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John L. Machado". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and "M".

John L. Machado

Co-Chairperson, HBA-DC Endorsements Committee