December 17, 2019

The Honorable Michael Carpenter, Senate Chair
The Honorable Donna Bailey, House Chair
Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary
100 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333-0100

Dear Senator Carpenter and Representative Bailey:

On behalf of the Maine State Bar Association and its members, I am pleased to inform you that the Association fully supports the renomination of Judge John B. Lucy, Sr. to the Maine District Court.

The MSBA sends surveys to all practicing lawyers in Maine to evaluate trial court judges in the sixth year of every judge’s term. These evaluations are used to determine the Association’s support of or opposition to the renomination of a judge and, in turn, to make recommendations on renomination to the Governor and the Judiciary Committee.

The results of Judge Lucy’s evaluation show that Maine lawyers find him to be decisive and practical. He is described as having an excellent grasp of substantive and procedural law. Judge Lucy is also commended for his ability to run an efficient and controlled courtroom. These traits have earned Judge Lucy the support and respect of MSBA members. Maine citizens will benefit from his continued service on the Maine District Court.

The Maine State Bar Association urges the Judiciary Committee to give its unanimous support to the nomination of Judge John B. Lucy, Sr. to the Maine District Court.

Sincerely,

Eric N. Columber
President

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Dear Senator Carpenter and Representative Bailey:

On behalf of the Maine State Bar Association and its members, I am pleased to inform you that the Association fully supports the renomination of Judge Kevin L. Stitham to the Maine District Court.

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Maine lawyers find Judge Stitham to be experienced in and knowledgeable of proper legal procedure. He is described as being wise, patient, decisive and practical. Judge Stitham is also commended for his dedication to the cases that come before him. These traits, along with his ability to run an efficient and controlled courtroom, have earned him the support and respect of MSBA members. Maine citizens will benefit from his continued service on the Maine District Court.

The Maine State Bar Association urges the Judiciary Committee to give its unanimous support to the nomination of Judge Kevin L. Stitham to the Maine District Court.

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Dear Senator Carpenter and Representative Bailey:

On behalf of the Maine State Bar Association and its members, I am pleased to inform you that the Association fully supports the renomination of Justice Thomas D. Warren to the Maine Superior Court.

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The results of Justice Warren’s evaluation show that Maine lawyers find him to be very intelligent, thoughtful, professional and kind. He is also described as fair, deliberate yet prompt, always prepared for court, and impartial. Justice Warren is commended for his sharp legal mind and knowledge of the law, and all those that come before him appreciate his balanced approach and attitude in the courtroom. These traits have earned Justice Warren the support and respect of MSBA members. Maine citizens will benefit from his continued service on the Maine Superior Court.

The Maine State Bar Association urges the Judiciary Committee to give its unanimous support to the nomination of Justice Thomas D. Warren to the Maine Superior Court.

Sincerely,

Eric N. Columber
President
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Dear Senator Carpenter and Representative Bailey:

On behalf of the Maine State Bar Association and its members, I am pleased to inform you that the Association fully supports the nomination of Judge Valerie Stanfill to the Maine Superior Court.

The MSBA sends surveys to all practicing lawyers in Maine to evaluate trial court judges in the sixth year of every judge's term. These evaluations are used to determine the Association’s support of or opposition to the nomination of a judge and, in turn, to make recommendations on nomination to the Governor and the Judiciary Committee.

The results of Judge Stanfill’s evaluation show that Maine lawyers find her to be decisive, knowledgeable and well-prepared. Lawyers who appear before her consider her fair and pragmatic, as well as efficient and professional. Judge Stanfill has earned the respect of Maine lawyers for her legal ability and excellent courtroom management. These traits have earned her the support and respect of MSBA members. Maine citizens will benefit from her continued service on the bench.

The Maine State Bar Association urges the Judiciary Committee to give its unanimous support to the nomination of Judge Valerie Stanfill to the Maine Superior Court.

Sincerely,

Eric N. Columber
President