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United States Senate Committee on the Judiciary
224 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Durbin, Ranking Member Graham, and Committee Members:

On behalf of the 210,000 advocates of National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW), I am writing to strongly endorse the confirmation of Karla Campbell to the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals. Her strong qualifications and experience make her an outstanding candidate for this important judicial seat which was until recently held by Judge Jane Stranch, a ground-breaking jurist for whom Ms. Campbell clerked in 2009, Judge Stranch's first year on the Sixth Circuit.

A native of Tennessee, Ms. Campbell joined what is now the firm of Stranch, Jennings & Garvey as an associate upon completion of her clerkship. In the years since, she was elevated first to Partner and then to Of Counsel. Her work at the firm primarily involves plaintiff's side employment and labor law. As such she has litigated a wide variety of cases from union-management disputes to employee benefits cases. An impressive 80% of her practice has been in federal courts. This experience and expertise would add important diversity to the federal judiciary. If confirmed, Ms. Campbell would be only the third labor lawyer to sit on a US Circuit Court.

Ms. Campbell has a history of giving back to her community and to others. Before attending law school, she spent three years in Ecuador as a Peace Corps volunteer, earning a certificate in Refugee and Humanitarian Emergencies. In her home community, she has negotiated high-level community benefits agreements for local organizations, including an agreement between Nashville community groups and the developers of Geodis Park, the city's new Major League Soccer stadium. Her impressive negotiation skills ensured that community members could play a role in the stadium's development. Since that successful negotiation, she used her legal expertise to help her community with numerous other community benefits agreements.

Ms. Campbell was born in Knoxville, Tennessee in 1979. She earned her B.A. from the University of Virginia (UVA) in 2002 and her J.D. from the Georgetown University Law Center in 2008. At UVA, Campbell was awarded Highest Distinction from the Distinguished Majors Program and was on the Dean's List every year that she was at UVA. She continued to distinguish herself at Georgetown where she received the CALI Excellence for the Future Award in the Spring of 2007.

NCJW urges you to expeditiously confirm Karla Campbell to the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals. Her legal experience would add important professional diversity to that court as well as a highly qualified jurist.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Darcy Hirsh".

Darcy Hirsh
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