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To the Honorable Chairs, Ranking Members and Committee Members of the Judiciary Committee:

I am writing to support the nomination of the Honorable Chase T. Rogers to be the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.

Judge Rogers was the first nominee for a Superior Court judge vacancy that I was asked to endorse as a new legislator some years ago when my district included New Canaan. At that time, many of us conducted a very thorough review of her background and had many conversations with individuals who were proposing her. I also spoke at length with her personally and came away greatly impressed not only with her knowledge and background but her substance, character and humanity. As the nomination process unfolded, the sheer number of sterling recommendations she received for that nomination were unprecedented. They attested to her strong professional expertise, deep wisdom, moral character, ethics and integrity. She came to the legislative nomination process as a nominee without political affiliation and without bias. There was no question that Chase Rogers was a special candidate and therefore, it is no surprise that she quickly moved up to higher positions as she earned the respect and esteem of her colleagues. Over and over again, we heard that she was the person that everyone would go to if an issue had to be mediated and wise judgment was needed. Her fairness and her temperament stand out above her peers.

She continues to exhibit great compassion and caring for all – no matter their background. She treats everyone equally and fairly. She is considered a lawyer's lawyer and a judge's judge. It has been tremendously gratifying to watch this individual achieve such stature within her own peers of judges over the years, gaining the admiration that she deserves.

In conclusion, Chase Rogers exemplifies all that is good in our judicial system. Her respect for the rule of law is a model for others to follow. She has raised the bar in every position she has occupied to date. And, I can foresee that Chase Rogers will very likely become one of the truly great chief justices of the State of Connecticut if you wisely choose to move her nomination forward.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Toni Boucher".

Toni Boucher