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April 19, 2010

Andrew J. McDonald, Chairman  
Judicial Committee  
State of Connecticut

Re: Judicial nomination of David M. Sheridan

Dear Chairman McDonald and members of the Judicial Committee:

I write to express my unqualified support for the judicial appointment of Attorney David Sheridan whom I have known David for approximately 25 years. I believe that he possesses the intelligence, integrity, and temperament necessary for the proper administration of justice and that he will be an invaluable asset to the bench in our State.

David and I met when we were on opposite sides of a contentious wrongful discharge case. Notwithstanding the extreme emotions of the parties, David remained a professional who sought to advocate the strongest position possible for his client under the existing law; yet, he never lost the ability to consider possible modes of resolution short of full and final litigation.

His ability to effectively analyze and resolve issues were important assets when David did real property defense work for CATIC when I was Claims Counsel between 1991 and 2004. Not only did he have an impressive capacity for structuring the case and the presentation thereof, he was an excellent litigator and appellate counsel.

David would be the type of judge before whom I would want to appear.

Respectfully,

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Andrew J. McDonald

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Members of the Judiciary Committee

Re: Nomination of David M. Sheridan

Dear Chairman McDonald, Chairman Lawlor and Other Members of the Judiciary Committee:

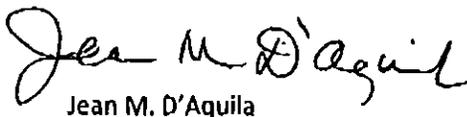
I write in support of the nomination of David M. Sheridan to the Superior Court Bench. I understand that the public hearing on Attorney Sheridan's nomination is scheduled for Friday, April 23, 2010.

I cannot identify a member of the Connecticut Bar who is more worthy or more experienced to become a member of the Connecticut Judiciary. I have worked with Attorney Sheridan on several occasions in my capacity as a municipal lawyer and in his capacity as the municipal insurer's designated counsel. Through these professional affiliations, Attorney Sheridan has exhibited the following characteristics, all of which I believe will make him invaluable as a member of the Judiciary: Very high intellectual capacity, willingness to communicate legal strategy regularly and effectively, fair and even temperament, and a commendable level of humility, even in the aftermath of a clear legal victory.

When I first heard of Attorney Sheridan's nomination, I felt a level of personal and professional pride that such a deserving colleague would be considered for the Superior Court bench. The Judiciary Committee would do the members of the Connecticut Bar proud, and assure exemplary service by a member of the Judiciary, by approving the nomination of Attorney David M. Sheridan to the Superior Court Bench.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Very truly yours,



Jean M. D'Aquila

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**Frank J. Johnson  
485 West Street  
Bristol, CT 06010**

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Dear Chairman McDonald, Chairman Lawlor and members of the Judiciary Committee:

I am writing in support of the nomination of Attorney David Sheridan to a Superior Court judgeship.

In my capacity as the chairman of the Bristol Downtown Development Corporation, we hired Levy & Droney to serve as our General Counsel. The fact that Attorney Sheridan would be the lead counsel in representing us was a factor in the decision to hire Levy & Droney.

Attorney Sheridan has extensive knowledge on matters relating to municipal development from both his personal and professional lives. He has been an ally, a friend and a supporter of our project. He has maintained an intimate knowledge of the details of our development corporation while guiding us through meetings with DECD, dealing with FOIA issues and keeping us advised on our legal and fiduciary responsibilities.

We have found Attorney Sheridan to be thoughtful, professional and detail oriented. His demeanor in dealing with municipal officials, state officials and the public has been remarkable. His research on all issues large and small has convinced me that Attorney Sheridan has the background, demeanor and respect for the law that are imperative qualities in a Superior Court judge.

His ability to analyze complex issues and explain them to his audience in layman's terms demonstrates the intelligence and thoughtfulness that are requisite in a judge.

In the three years that I have worked with Attorney David Sheridan I have always been comfortable that he would perform in a professional and deliberative manner; examining all of the facts and laws that were applicable, and that he would lead us in the proper direction.

Based on his education, his experience, his intelligence, his composure in all situations, his patience and his ability to advance the cause, I have trusted and relied upon his judgments and his opinions. I am convinced that Attorney David Sheridan exemplifies the qualities that are requisite in an articulate, thorough and thoughtful jurist.

I highly recommend that he be confirmed.

If I can answer any questions or provide further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Frank J. Johnson, Chairman  
Bristol Downtown Development Corporation



April 19, 2010

Connecticut Legislative Judiciary Committee  
Room 2500  
Legislative Office Building  
Hartford, CT 06106

Dear Chairman MacDonald, Chairman Lawlor and other members of the Judiciary Committee:

I am writing this letter in support of David M. Sheridan's nomination to be a Superior Court Judge. Over the last three years, I have had the pleasure of serving with David as staff to the Bristol Downtown Development Corporation (BDDC). I have served as Executive Director and David has served as Legal Counsel. During this time period, David has performed his duties at the highest professional and personal level.

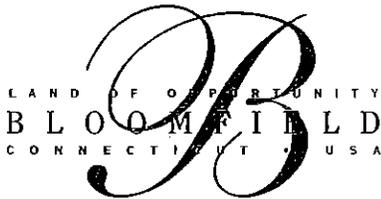
The BDDC was formed three years ago by the Bristol City Council and given responsibility for the revitalization of the Bristol downtown. David has been called upon to provide advice and counsel to the BDC Board in a high profile, public forum. He has performed his duties with the highest level of professionalism and integrity. David's calm demeanor and thorough preparation has made my job as Executive Director a pleasure.

It is with great respect for David M. Sheridan as a professional and a man of integrity that I have the honor to recommend him for appointment as a Superior Court Judge.

Sincerely,



Richard Harrall  
Executive Director BDDC



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Senator Andrew J. McDonald, Chairman  
Representative Michael P. Lawlor, Chairman  
Joint Committee on the Judiciary  
Room 2500, Legislative Office Building  
Hartford, CT 06106

Dear Chairman McDonald, Chairman Lawlor, and Members of the Judiciary Committee:

I am pleased to be writing in support of the nomination of David M. Sheridan for a position on the Connecticut Superior Court bench.

I have known Mr. Sheridan for the past several years in his professional capacity as an attorney for the firm Levy Dronery. Our professional relationship has evolved into a friendship. Mr. Sheridan is an extremely introspective individual. I believe him to be committed to individual fairness and equity in any situation that he is placed in. I also know that he has a keen and probative intellect that is committed to ferreting out the truth of a situation. But he is no ivory tower intellectual. He has a broad range of life experiences to understand people, their problems and foibles. He is not afraid to solicit opinions from people ethnically or racially different from himself to obtain greater insight into a situation or problem.

The attributes that I have come to know that David possesses, in my opinion, makes him an ideal candidate to be a Superior Court Judge in Connecticut.

Very Truly Yours,

Louie Chapman, Jr  
Town Manager

CC: Sen. Eric Coleman  
Rep. David Baram  
Rep. Ken Green