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State of Connecticut General Assembly
Joint Committee on Judiciary
Room 2500, Legislative Office Building
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Dear Chairman McDonald, Chairman Lawlor, and
Other Members of the Judiciary Committee:

I am pleased to write in support of the nomination of John Carbonneau as a Judge of the Superior Court.

I have had the opportunity to work with Jay both as an adversary and as a collaborator. As an adversary, he was thorough in his preparation, effective in the presentation of his case, and exemplary in his professionalism. Since the matters we dealt with were on the family side of the docket, emotions often ran high; Jay did well to temper those emotions in the parties and help produce fair results for his clients.

More significantly, it was my privilege to partner with Jay as a family Special Master on numerous occasions in the Windham Judicial District. He was a model mediator, with a temperament and approach that facilitated settlement of some very difficult cases. He was not afraid to tell the hard truth when it needed to be told, yet at the same time did his best to have the parties leave with a positive view toward the future.

I urge the Committee to give favorable consideration to this nomination; the Connecticut judicial system will benefit greatly from having Jay as a member of its bench.

Very truly yours,



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