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Senator Eric Coleman, Co-Chairman
Joint Committee on Judiciary
Room 2500, Legislative Office Building
Hartford, Connecticut 06106

Representative Gerald Fox, Jr., Co-Chairman
Joint Committee on Judiciary
Room 2500, Legislative Office Building
Hartford, Connecticut 06106

Re: Hon. Dan Shaban

Dear Senator Coleman and Representative Fox:

I am sending this letter in support of the reappointment of Judge Dan Shaban to the State of Connecticut Judiciary. I have had the fortune to practice law and appear before numerous trial level and appellate judges since 1974.

I appeared before Judge Shaban a number of times while he was assigned to the Danbury Superior Court several years ago. In all of my appearances before Judge Shaban, I found him to possess and exhibit exemplary judicial temperament, and a judge who extended appropriate courtesies to those who appeared before him. I worked with Judge Shaban as a State Fact Finder when he handled the fact finding docket, and he was a good judge to work with in matters that arose requiring a judge's decision.

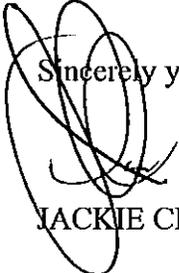
Judge Shaban listened to positions taken by parties and counsel and made decisions without hesitation after careful deliberation and application of the law to the facts presented. His knowledge of substantive and procedural law is excellent. This is an opinion shared by many of my colleagues in the greater Danbury bar.

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It would be appropriate to use the words “conscientious”, “hard working”, and “responsible” in describing Judge Shaban’s tenure as a judge in Danbury. It came as no surprise to me that Judge Shaban was assigned to the complex litigation docket.

I would strongly urge that Judge Shaban be reappointed to the bench and continue his invaluable service to the State of Connecticut.

Thank you for your kind consideration.

Sincerely yours,

JACKIE CHAN

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cc: Representative Richard Smith