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The Honorable Mitchell McConnell
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The Honorable Richard J. Durbin
Chair, Judiciary Committee
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The Honorable Charles E. Grassley
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The Honorable Kirsten E. Gillibrand
Senator
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RE: LETTER FROM THE COLUMBIA LAW REVIEW IN SUPPORT OF THE HISTORIC CONFIRMATION OF ARUN SUBRAMANIAN (COLUMBIA LAW ’04) TO THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

Dear Senators Schumer, McConnell, Durbin, Grassley, and Gillibrand:

On behalf of the Columbia Law Review, one of the world’s leading publications of legal scholarship, I strongly urge you to support the confirmation of Arun Subramanian (Columbia Law ’04) to serve as a United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York. Indeed, his confirmation would
be historic: Arun would become the first district court judge of South Asian descent in this district. Arun is a well-qualified candidate and would be a valuable addition to the bench. I write to highlight something about Arun that speaks to his capabilities, character, and commitment to public service: his exceptional dedication to the Review.

Founded in 1901, the Columbia Law Review is an independent nonprofit corporation that produces a law journal edited and published entirely by students at Columbia Law School. The Review is one of the most widely distributed and cited law reviews in the country. Arun joined the Review as a Staff Editor in 2002 and, from 2003 to 2004, served with distinction as Executive Articles Editor. In 2003, we were proud to publish Arun's Note, 1 which has guided academics, 2 practicing lawyers, 3 and judges 4 since its publication.

Many Review members move on from the journal once they graduate. But not Arun. Instead, he joined the Board of Directors in 2008, a position he has held ever since. In that role, he assists in overseeing the Review alongside other distinguished leaders of the legal community. In addition, in 2021, he contributed a touching tribute to his mentor in the Review's special in memoriam volume honoring Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg. 5

Personally, I can say Arun has been incredibly responsive and eager to help when any issues have arisen during my time as Editor-in-Chief. He has graciously extended his time to the Review. Why? Because he cares about the institution and, more importantly, about us, the students of the Review. I know that Arun would bring even more care to the bench than he has to the Review and that he has the intellect, temperament, and background to be an exceptional judge. I strongly urge you to support his confirmation.

Thank you for considering the Columbia Law Review's unreserved support for Arun's confirmation.

Sincerely,
Jeffrey D. Rivas

Editor-in-Chief
Columbia Law Review

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