

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

December 3, 2012

President Barack Obama
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

Earlier this year, we established a bipartisan screening committee to review applications for the position of U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois. Our screening committee has reviewed applications, interviewed applicants, and submitted recommendations to us. We have interviewed the finalists and consulted with each other regarding their qualifications. As a result of this bipartisan process, we submit the following individuals for your consideration for the nomination, in alphabetical order:

Jonathan Bunge
Zachary Fardon
Lori Lightfoot
Gil Soffer

We appreciate the opportunity to provide assistance and input in filling this important position, and we look forward to working with you to ensure a fair and swift confirmation process after you submit a nomination to the Senate.

Sincerely,



Richard J. Durbin
United States Senator



Mark Kirk
United States Senator