



February 21, 2021

The Honorable Charles Schumer  
Majority Leader  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Mitch McConnell  
Minority Leader  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Dick Durbin  
Chairman  
Committee on the Judiciary  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Chuck Grassley  
Ranking Member  
Committee on the Judiciary  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Leader Schumer, Leader McConnell, Chairman Durbin, and Ranking Member Grassley:

Please allow this letter to act a formal endorsement of Kristen Clarke as the next Assistant Attorney General of the Civil Rights Division from the National Association of Women Law Enforcement Executives.

The work of Ms. Clarke in areas of civil rights enforcement including matters related to criminal justice, education and housing discrimination, fair lending, barriers to reentry, voting rights, immigrants' rights, gender inequality, disability rights, reproductive access and LGBTQ+ issues has shown she is committed to ensure equal protection for all community members.

As Ms. Clarke is someone that has broken the "glass ceiling", NAWLEE believes she will do much to support the need for more women in ranking positions within law enforcement agencies from across the county.

NAWLEE looks forward to the confirmation of Ms. Clarke as Assistant Attorney General.

Respectfully,

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