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1099 Alakea Street Suite 1800 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

June 24, 2012

Committee on Judiciary & Labor Senator Clayton Hee, Chair

Re: Peter Cahill, nominee for Circuit Court of the Second Circuit

Hearing: Tuesday, June 26, 2012

Time: 11 am

Place: Conference Room 016, State Capitol, 415 South Beretania Street

Dear Senator Hee,

I am a partner in the law firm of Goodsill, Anderson, Quinn & Stifel, and have known Peter Cahill since he started practicing law in Hawaii in 1989. I highly recommend Peter as a honest, capable, ethical, and fair person and an excellent nominee for the Second Circuit Court.

Over the years, I have represented a number of Defendants sued by Peter on behalf of his injured clients. Peter and I have disagreed on the merits of the cases and he has approached all disagreements in a courteous and professional manner. Peter exemplifies the ideals stated in Hawaii's Guidelines of Professional Courtesy and Civility.

I have no reservations in recommending that the Committee and the Senate confirm Peter Cahill's nomination.

Please let me know if additional information is needed.

Sincerely,

CHUNG & IKEHARA

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June 25, 2012

Senate Committee on Judiciary & Labor State Capitol, Room 407 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Attention:

Senator Clayton Hee

Chair

Re:

Nominee:

Peter T. Cahill

Position:

Circuit Court Judge for the Second Circuit

Hearing:

June 26, 2012, at 11:00 a.m.

Dear Senator Hee:

By way of background, I have practiced law since 1981, primarily in the field of Insurance Defense. I have been an active participant in our trial courts, and I am well-acquainted with virtually all of the Circuit Court Judges in all of the Circuits.

Please accept this recommendation that your Committee confirm the nomination of Peter T. Cahill for the position of Circuit Court Judge for the Second Circuit.

I have known Mr. Cahill for well over 20 years now. As an attorney with James Krueger, and now with the law firm of Cahill & O'Neill, Mr. Cahill has represented numerous clients in personal injury lawsuits filed against defendants represented by our office. Although we have been adversaries in every case, Mr. Cahill has always conducted himself in an honorable and professional manner, <u>i.e.</u> he has always been a gentleman in his role as an advocate for his clients.

We have been able to resolve every one of our cases short of trial, always in an expeditious and reasonable fashion. However, my observations of Mr. Cahill in arbitration proceedings convince me that he is well-acquainted with the law, court procedures, and rules of evidence. In fact, we have also agreed to have Mr. Cahill serve as an arbitrator in personal injury claims against insurance companies.

Through the years, Mr. Cahill has shown himself to be a person of integrity, and has also shown that he is continually willing to learn about new developments in the law.

Based upon my interactions and observations of other Judges, Mr. Cahill would make a fine jurist, and would be a welcome addition to the bench.

Therefore, I enthusiastically recommend Mr. Cahill for the position of Circuit Court Judge in the Second Circuit.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your kind attention in this matter.

Very truly yours,

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June 25, 2012

Committee on Judiciary and Labor Honolulu, Hawaii

Re: In support of the consideration and confirmation of Judicial Selection Commission Nominee
Peter T. Cahill to the Second Circuit Court, State of Hawaii Hearing date: June 26, 2012, 11:00 a.m.

Dear Committee Members:

This letter is in support of Peter T. Cahill for the position of Circuit Court Judge in the Second Circuit Court. I have been a Judicial Assistant/Courtroom Clerk at the Second Circuit for 18 years and have known Mr. Cahill for over 20 plus years.

Prior to working at the Judiciary, I worked in private practice as a legal secretary and legal assistant. Although Mr. Cahill was on the opposing side, he was always professional and courteous. I have never had a negative encounter with him while in private practice or during my employment at the Judiciary. He has appeared in our courtroom over the years and his contact with the court and courtroom staff has always been professional and respectful.

Mr. Cahill built a reputation for himself as being the hardest working arbitrator for the Court Annexed Arbitration Program for the Second Circuit. He volunteered numerous hours every year and was assigned the most cases each year. He was always very supportive of the program and willing to serve as an arbitrator. He also served as a panel member each year at the Second Circuit Court's annual arbitration training.

Mr. Cahill is very qualified to be a Circuit Court Judge. His intellect and integrity have made him a highly respected jurist. His legal skills and personal and professional background make him very qualified to be the next Circuit Court Judge for the Second Circuit. I strongly urge you to support his confirmation.

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Sincerely,

Delfey Ann Fernandez



June 26, 2012

Testimony in Support for Judicial Appointment of Peter Cahill, Esq.

Peter Cahill possesses the qualities of a successful Circuit Court Judge. Just yesterday, Mr. Cahill served as a volunteer mediator on a difficult personal injury case. The likelihood of settlement was remote. With Mr. Cahill's skills in using effective mediation tools, the parties were able to reach an agreement. He demonstrated the skills that he will require in settlement conferences, including the ability to listen to the parties, understand the legal issues, express to the parties the legal and practical challenges that they have with their respective cases, suggest possible resolutions, and facilitate an agreement. It is my belief that my client trusted Mr. Cahill and respected his opinions and analysis of the legal issues. The fact that Mr. Cahill did not charge the parties for his time demonstrates his commitment to community service, which is also an important quality for a jurist.

Quite a few years ago, Mr. Cahill served as an arbitrator on a no fault insurance case that I had. I recall that he was a fair and impartial arbitrator. I was pleased that Mr. Cahill showed no favoritism to the Maui participants. In that case, Mr. Cahill also waived his fees.

I am pleased to support Peter Cahill, Esq.'s judicial candidacy.

Sincerely,

Katharine M. Nohr

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