STATEMENT OF THE FEDERAL COMMUNITY DEFENDER OFFICE FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA ON THE CONFIRMATION OF CATHERINE HENRY TO THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

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It is with great pride that we congratulate our colleague, Catherine Henry, on her confirmation to the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. We cannot imagine a person better suited to serve on that esteemed court. Ms. Henry's intellect, experience, and judgment have served our clients immeasurably, and her sound counsel and collegiality have benefited us all. Those qualities will now enrich the court.

We are honored by President Biden's and the United States Senate's recognition of the value of public defender experience in achieving a diverse and representative federal judiciary. As public defenders, we defend not only the accused but some of the Constitution's most fundamental guarantees. There may be no better preparation for judicial service than that.

We wish Ms. Henry well in her new role.