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Dear Members of the Governor's Council,

Please accept this letter as my personal and enthusiastic recommendation of Cesar A. Archilla for the position of District Court Judge. I have known Cesar, both professionally and personally, for many years. Until January 2013, I worked with Cesar at the Massachusetts Parole Board, where I was General Counsel and Cesar sits on the Board. Prior to our time together at the Parole Board, Cesar and I worked together at the Essex County District Attorney's Office, where Cesar was the supervising ADA in the court where I was assigned.

I can tell you first hand that while at the District Attorney's Office Cesar possessed that unique combination of prosecutorial zeal, but always with tempered discretion. Cesar had an uncanny ability to assess each case, and each defendant, on their merits and always recommend a sentence that took into account societal needs of deterrence and punishment, as well as any mitigating factors that warranted restraint. Cesar was well respected by the judges who he appeared before, the defense bar, and his fellow prosecutors.

From 2009 until January 2013 I worked alongside Cesar at the Parole Board. As the agency's General Counsel I had an unfettered view of Cesar's work as a Parole Board member. I can tell you first hand that Cesar approaches his position on the Parole Board with the same type of professionalism, compassion, and zeal I witnessed at the District Attorney's Office. He is perhaps the most well respected, and well liked, Parole Board member that the agency has had in some time. Cesar has been a consistent voice of reason and logic. He approached his cases with unmatched thoughtfulness and contemplation. In addition, Cesar has a remarkable grasp of the law and is a skillful writer. In my eleven years as a practicing attorney in the Commonwealth, I can think of no one I'd rather see on the bench than Cesar.

Please consider this an unreserved and enthusiastic recommendation on his behalf. Please do not hesitate to contact me at (617) 877-2626 if you have questions or would like to speak to me personally about Cesar.

Sincerely,


Timothy V. Dooling