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### Attorneys across political spectrum support Alito

Delaware Lawyers for Judicial Fairness and National Italian-American Foundation Host Forum for Judge Samuel Alito

WILMINGTON, DE - The day after Supreme Court nominee Samuel Alito received an unanimous well- qualified rating from the American Bar Association, Delaware Lawyers for Judicial Fairness and the National Italian-American Foundation held a joint forum featuring two of Judge Alito's former clerks and called on U.S. Senators Joseph R. Biden, Jr. and Thomas R. Carper to support Judge Alito's nomination. Timothy Jay Houseal, Chairman of Delaware Lawyers for Judicial Fairness and partner at Young Conway Stargatt & Taylor, LLP, said he applauds the American Bar Association for giving Judge Alito its highest rating.

"The ABA's highest rating confirms what attorneys in the Third Circuit have come to know over the last 15 years; Judge Alito's credentials, character, intellect and temperament are impeccable and qualify him to serve on the Supreme Court," Mr. Houseal said. "It has been 50 years since a jurist from this region has been placed on the country's highest court. Given Judge Alito's qualifications and this twist of history, we join with the National Italian American Federation in calling upon



(l-r) Timothy J. Houseal, Esq., John Brewer, Esq., Professor Jan Ting, Joseph V. Del Raso, Esq., Kate Pringle, Esq.



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our Senators to confirm Judge Alito and to elevate one of our fair and brightest minds to the Supreme Court bench."

Joseph V. Del Raso, Esq., Executive Vice President of the National Italian American Federation Board and Partner, Pepper Hamilton LLP, said the NIAF is proud to be a sponsor of today's forum for Judge Alito.

"This is part of a national campaign of local Italian American community organizations and clubs that are committed to speaking out to ensure Judge Alito receives a fair hearing and an up or down vote," Mr. Del Raso said.

Katherine L. Pringle, Esq., partner at Friedman Kaplan Seiler & Adelman LLP, served as a clerk for Judge Alito and said he would be an excellent Supreme Court Justice.

"In my experience, Judge Alito was fair, respectful of and interested in differing points of view, and a modest and careful judge who did his best to find the result the law demanded," Ms. Pringle said. "As a committed Democrat, I believe we have a right to a nominee who will bring the utmost in skill, experience and respect to the Supreme Court. I know that Judge Alito will be a Justice who will make us all proud."

The U.S. Senate is scheduled to begin hearings for Judge Alito next Monday, January 9.

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