

STATEMENT OF THOMAS M. HARDIMAN, NOMINEE TO BE DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

Mr. HARDIMAN. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

Like my colleague and fellow nominee, Mr. Greer, I am humbled and privileged to be here. I thank President Bush for the nomination. I thank Senators Specter and Santorum for those kind words.

I do not have an opening statement, but if the chair would permit, I would like to introduce my family and friends who are with us.

Senator CHAMBLISS. Certainly.

Mr. HARDIMAN. First, my wife Lori is here; my daughter Kate and my son Matthew are both here. Unfortunately, our daughter Marissa did not make the trip, was not able to be here.

I am privileged to have my parents, Bob and Judy Hardiman, and also especially privileged to have my secretary of many years, Kay Wilkinson, here, and her husband Jerry is with us and also the Wilkinson family—Roy, Sheila, and Cassandra. I am very happy that they made the trip down from Pittsburgh as well.

Senator CHAMBLISS. Great.

Thank you all for being here.

Mr. Kravitz, we are glad to have you here.

[The biographical information of Mr. Hardiman follows:]