

Senator GRAHAM. Thank you, sir.
Judge Der-Yeghiayan.

**STATEMENT OF SAMUEL DER-YEGHIAYAN, NOMINEE TO BE
DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS**

Judge DER-YEGHIAYAN. Mr. Chairman, thank you for this opportunity to appear before this Committee. I thank the President for his nomination. I thank Senator Fitzgerald for recommending me, and Senator Durbin for supporting me for this position.

I am grateful that my wife is here today with me. She was earlier introduced. My son, Jared and my daughter Tara could not be here, but I like also to recognize my parents, Jack and Lydia, who have been an important part of my life.

And I am grateful to this Committee, and I will answer any questions. Thank you.³

[The biographical information of Judge Der-Yeghiayan follows:]