

Dear Senator Hashim,

I am writing to express my strong support for Michael Drescher as Justice of the Vermont Supreme Court.

I know Mike to be a deeply decent and caring person. I met him at a Lake Monsters game last summer during an outing for the U.S. Attorney's Office, and I was immediately struck by his warmth, kindness, and thoughtful presence.

I understand there is criticism regarding his decision to take on certain cases while leading the office. It is my deepest belief that his willingness to take on these difficult and sensitive matters was an act of principled leadership—one that protected staff and career attorneys while upholding the rule of law, and one that should not weigh against his confirmation. That kind of judgment and moral courage is rare and exactly what is needed on our highest court.

I strongly believe he will serve the people of this state with fairness, compassion, and unwavering integrity. Failing to confirm him would be a grave mistake and a significant loss for our judiciary.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Warmly,

Laura Daniel