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LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

U.S. SENATE,
COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY,
Washington, DC, March 31, 2009.

Hon. NANCY ERICKSON,
Secretary, U.S. Senate,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MS. SECRETARY: In accordance with rule XXVI of the Standing Rules of the United States Senate, I am transmitting herewith a report on the activities of the Committee on the Judiciary of the United States for the 110th Congress.

Sincerely,

PATRICK LEAHY, *Chairman.*

Enclosure.

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Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary,
submitted the following

R E P O R T

**JURISDICTION OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON THE
JUDICIARY**

Pursuant to Rule XXV of the Standing Rules of the United States Senate, all proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other matters relating to the following subjects are referred to the Senate Committee on the Judiciary:

1. Apportionment of Representatives.
2. Bankruptcy, mutiny, espionage, and counterfeiting.
3. Civil liberties.
4. Constitutional amendments.
5. Federal courts and judges.
6. Governmental information.
7. Holidays and celebrations.
8. Immigration and naturalization.
9. Interstate compacts, generally.
10. Judicial proceedings, civil and criminal, generally.
11. Local courts in the territories and possessions.
12. Measures relating to claims against the United States.
13. National penitentiaries.
14. Patent Office.
15. Patents, copyrights, and trademarks.
16. Protection of trade and commerce against unlawful restraints and monopolies.
17. Revision and codification of the statutes of the United States.
18. State and territorial boundary lines.

RULES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY¹

I. MEETINGS OF THE COMMITTEE

1. Meetings of the Committee may be called by the Chairman as he may deem necessary on three days' notice of the date, time, place and subject matter of the meeting, or in the alternative with the consent of the Ranking Minority Member, or pursuant to the provision of the Standing Rules of the Senate, as amended.

2. Unless a different date and time are set by the Chairman pursuant to (1) of this section, Committee meetings shall be held beginning at 9:30 a.m. on Thursdays the Senate is in session, which shall be the regular meeting day for the transaction of business.

3. At the request of any Member, or by action of the Chairman, a bill, matter, or nomination on the agenda of the Committee may be held over until the next meeting of the Committee or for one week, whichever occurs later.

II. HEARINGS OF THE COMMITTEE

1. The Committee shall provide a public announcement of the date, time, place and subject matter of any hearing to be conducted by the Committee or any Subcommittee at least seven calendar days prior to the commencement of that hearing, unless the Chairman with the consent of the Ranking Minority Member determines that good cause exists to begin such hearing at an earlier date. Witnesses shall provide a written statement of their testimony and curriculum vitae to the Committee at least 24 hours preceding the hearing in as many copies as the Chairman of the Committee or Subcommittee prescribes.

2. In the event 14 calendar days' notice of a hearing has been made, witnesses appearing before the Committee, including any witness representing a Government agency, must file with the Committee at least 48 hours preceding appearance written statements of their testimony and curriculum vitae in as many copies as the Chairman of the Committee or Subcommittee prescribes.

3. In the event a witness fails timely to file the written statement in accordance with this rule, the Chairman may permit the witness to testify, or deny the witness the privilege of testifying before the Committee, or permit the witness to testify in response to questions from Senators without the benefit of giving an opening statement.

III. QUORUMS

1. Six Members of the Committee, actually present, shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of discussing business. Eight Members of the Committee, including at least two Members of the minority, shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of transacting business. No bill, matter, or nomination shall be ordered reported from the Committee, however, unless a majority of the Committee is actually present at the time such action is taken and a majority of those present support the action taken.

¹Reaffirmed by the Senate Committee on the Judiciary in executive session on January 25, 2007. Printed in the Congressional Record on January 25, 2007, page S1184.

2. For the purpose of taking sworn testimony, a quorum of the Committee and each Subcommittee thereof, now or hereafter appointed, shall consist of one Senator.

IV. BRINGING A MATTER TO A VOTE

The Chairman shall entertain a non-debatable motion to bring a matter before the Committee to a vote. If there is objection to bringing the matter to a vote without further debate, a roll call vote of the Committee shall be taken, and debate shall be terminated if the motion to bring the matter to a vote without further debate passes with ten votes in the affirmative, one of which must be cast by the minority.

V. AMENDMENTS

1. Provided at least seven calendar days' notice of the agenda is given, and the text of the proposed bill or resolution has been made available at least seven calendar days in advance, it shall not be in order for the Committee to consider any amendment in the first degree proposed to any measure under consideration by the Committee unless such amendment has been delivered to the office of the Committee and circulated via e-mail to each of the offices by at least 5:00 p.m. the day prior to the scheduled start of the meeting.

2. It shall be in order, without prior notice, for a Member to offer a motion to strike a single section of any bill, resolution, or amendment under consideration.

3. The time limit imposed on the filing of amendments shall apply to no more than three bills identified by the Chairman and included on the Committee's legislative agenda.

4. This section of the rule may be waived by agreement of the Chairman and the Ranking Minority Member.

VI. PROXY VOTING

When a recorded vote is taken in the Committee on any bill, resolution, amendment, or any other question, a quorum being present, Members who are unable to attend the meeting may submit their votes by proxy, in writing or by telephone, or through personal instructions. A proxy must be specific with respect to the matters it addresses.

VII. SUBCOMMITTEES

1. Any Member of the Committee may sit with any Subcommittee during its hearings or any other meeting, but shall not have the authority to vote on any matter before the Subcommittee unless a Member of such Subcommittee.

2. Subcommittees shall be considered de novo whenever there is a change in the Subcommittee chairmanship and seniority on the particular Subcommittee shall not necessarily apply.

3. Except for matters retained at the full Committee, matters shall be referred to the appropriate Subcommittee or Subcommittees by the Chairman, except as agreed by a majority vote of the Committee or by the agreement of the Chairman and the Ranking Minority Member.

4. Provided all Members of the Subcommittee consent, a bill or other matter may be polled out of the Subcommittee. In order to

be polled out of a Subcommittee, a majority of the Members of the Subcommittee who vote must vote in favor of reporting the bill or matter to the Committee.

VIII. ATTENDANCE RULES

1. Official attendance at all Committee business meetings of the Committee shall be kept by the Committee Clerk. Official attendance at all Subcommittee business meetings shall be kept by the Subcommittee Clerk.

2. Official attendance at all hearings shall be kept, provided that Senators are notified by the Committee Chairman and Ranking Minority Member, in the case of Committee hearings, and by the Subcommittee Chairman and Ranking Minority Member, in the case of Subcommittee hearings, 48 hours in advance of the hearing that attendance will be taken; otherwise, no attendance will be taken. Attendance at all hearings is encouraged.

TABULATION OF BILLS, RESOLUTIONS, AND NOMINATIONS REFERRED TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE

Public:		
Senate Bills	351	
Senate Resolutions	169	
Senate Concurrent Resolutions	15	
Senate Joint Resolutions	15	
Total, public	550	
Private:		
Senate Bills	40	
Total, private	40	
Total, Senate	590	

PASSED HOUSE AND REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE

Public:		
House Bills	57	
House Concurrent Resolutions	32	
House Joint Resolutions	1	
Total, public	90	
Private:		
House Bills	3	
Total, private	3	
Total, House	93	
Total bills referred, House and Senate	683	

NOMINATIONS

U.S. Court of Appeals Judges	24
U.S. District Court Judges	80
U.S. Department of Justice	20
U.S. Attorneys	18

Executive Office of the President	5
Foreign Claims Settlement Commission	1
U.S. Marshals	10
Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board	3
U.S. Parole Commission	1
U.S. Sentencing Commission	5
Total nominations	167

PUBLICATIONS ISSUED BY THE COMMITTEE

HEARINGS

- Serial No. J-110-1** (Full Committee) Balancing Privacy and Security: The Privacy Implications of Government Data Mining Programs [January 10, 2007]
- Serial No. J-110-2** (Full Committee) The Plight of Iraqi Refugees [January 16, 2007]
- Serial No. J-110-3** (Full Committee) Department of Justice Oversight [January 18, 2007]
- Serial No. J-110-4** (Full Committee) Paying off Generics to Prevent Competition with Brand Name Drugs: Should it be Prohibited? [January 17, 2007]
- Serial No. J-110-5** (Full Committee) Exercising Congress's Constitutional Power [January 31, 2007]
- Serial No. J-110-6** (Human Rights and the Law) US-VISIT: Challenges and Strategies for Securing the U.S. Border [January 31, 2007]
- Serial No. J-110-7** (Full Committee) Examining Recommendations for Improvements to Iraq's Justice System [January 31, 2007]
- Serial No. J-110-8** (Full Committee) Confirmation Hearings on Federal Appointments [February 6, 2007]
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- Serial No. J-110-8** (Full Committee) Confirmation Hearings on Federal Appointments [July 19, 2007]
- Serial No. J-110-9** (Human Rights and the Law) Genocide and the Rule of Law [February 5, 2007]
- Serial No. J-110-10** (Full Committee) Preserving Prosecutorial Independence: Is the Department of Justice Politicizing the Hiring and Firing of U.S. Attorneys? [February 6, 2007]
- Serial No. J-110-11** (Full Committee) Judicial Security and Independence [February 14, 2007]
- Serial No. J-110-12** (Full Committee) Strengthening our Criminal Justice System: The John R. Justice Prosecutors and Defenders Incentive Act of 2007 [February 27, 2007]
- Serial No. J-110-13** (Full Committee) Comprehensive Immigration Reform [February 28, 2007]
- Serial No. J-110-14** (Full Committee) Preserving Prosecutorial Independence: Is the Department of Justice Politicizing the Hiring and Firing of U.S. Attorneys?—Part II [March 6, 2007]
- Serial No. J-110-14** (Full Committee) Preserving Prosecutorial Independence: Is the Department of Justice Politicizing the Hiring and Firing of U.S. Attorneys?—Part III [March 29, 2007]

- Serial No. J-110-14** (Full Committee) Preserving Prosecutorial Independence: Is the Department of Justice Politicizing the Hiring and Firing of U.S. Attorneys?—Part IV [May 15, 2007]
- Serial No. J-110-14** (Full Committee) Preserving Prosecutorial Independence: Is the Department of Justice Politicizing the Hiring and Firing of U.S. Attorneys?—Part V [June 5, 2007]
- Serial No. J-110-14** (Full Committee) Preserving Prosecutorial Independence: Is the Department of Justice Politicizing the Hiring and Firing of U.S. Attorneys?—Part VI [July 11, 2007]
- Serial No. J-110-14** (Full Committee) Preserving Prosecutorial Independence: Is the Department of Justice Politicizing the Hiring and Firing of U.S. Attorneys?—Part VII [August 2, 2007]
- Serial No. J-110-15** (Full Committee) Mentoring and Community-Based Solutions to Delinquency and Youth Violence in Philadelphia [February 19, 2007]
- Serial No. J-110-16** (Full Committee) The McCarran-Ferguson Act and Antitrust Immunity: Good for Consumers? [March 7, 2007]
- Serial No. J-110-17** (Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights) Oversight of the Enforcement of the Antitrust Laws [March 7, 2007]
- Serial No. J-110-18** (Full Committee) Open Government: Reinvigorating the Freedom of Information Act [March 14, 2007]
- Serial No. J-110-19** (Full Committee) Misuse of Patriot Act Powers: The Inspector General's Finding of Improper Use of the National Security Letters by the FBI [March 21, 2007]
- Serial No. J-110-20** (Full Committee) Combating War Profiteering: Are We Doing Enough to Investigate and Prosecute Contracting Fraud and Abuse in Iraq? [March 20, 2007]
- Serial No. J-110-21** (Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights) The XM-Sirius Merger: Monopoly or Competition from New Technologies [March 20, 2007]
- Serial No. J-110-22** (Terrorism, Technology and Homeland Security) Identity Theft: Innovative Solutions for an Evolving Problem [March 21, 2007]
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- Serial No. J-110-24** (Human Rights and the Law) Legal Options to Stop Human Trafficking [March 26, 2007]
- Serial No. J-110-25** (Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights) An Examination of the Google-DoubleClick Merger and the Online Advertising Industry: What are the Risks for Competition and Privacy? [September 27, 2007]
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- Serial No. J-110-34** (Full Committee) Preserving the Rule of Law in the Fight Against Terrorism [October 2, 2007]

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- Serial No. J-110-52** (Full Committee) Confirmation Hearing on the Nominations of Leslie Southwick, to be Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit, Janet T. Neff, to be District Judge for the Western District of Michigan, and Liam O'Grady, to be District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia [May 10, 2007]
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- Serial No. J-110-93** (Human Rights and the Law) Global Internet Freedom: Corporate Responsibility and the Rule of Law [May 20, 2008]
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- Serial No. J-110-95** (Full Committee) Closing the Justice Gap: Providing Civil Legal Assistance to Low-Income Americans [May 22, 2008]
- Serial No. J-110-96** (Full Committee) Protecting the Constitutional Right to Vote for All Americans [May 20, 2008]
- Serial No. J-110-97** (Full Committee) Improving Detainee Policy: Handling Terrorism Detainees Within the American Justice System [June 4, 2008]
- Serial No. J-110-98** (Full Committee) Coercive Interrogation Techniques: Do they Work, are they Reliable, and what did the FBI Know about them? [June 10, 2008]
- Serial No. J-110-99** (Full Committee) Short-Change for Consumers and Short-Shrift for Congress? The Supreme Court's Treatment of Laws that Protect Americans' Health, Safety, Jobs, and Retirement [June 11, 2008]
- Serial No. J-110-100** (Full Committee) Protecting Consumers by Protecting Intellectual Property [June 17, 2008]
- Serial No. J-110-101** (Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights) S. 2838, the Fairness in Nursing Home Arbitration Act [June 18, 2008]
- Serial No. J-110-102** (Human Rights and the Law) From Nuremburg to Darfur: Accountability for Crimes Against Humanity [June 24, 2008]
- Serial No. J-110-103** (Constitution) Laptop Searches and other Violations of Privacy Faced by Americans Returning from Overseas Travel [June 25, 2008]
- Serial No. J-110-104** (Full Committee) Oversight of the U.S. Department of Justice [July 9, 2008]
- Serial No. J-110-105** (Full Committee) Passport Files: Privacy Protection Needed for All Americans [July 10, 2008]
- Serial No. J-110-106** (Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights) The Google-Yahoo! Agreement and the Future of Internet Advertising [July 15, 2008]

- Serial No. J-110-107** (Full Committee) How the Administration's Failed Detainee Policies have Hurt the Fight Against Terrorism: Putting the Fight Against Terrorism on Sound Legal Foundations: Handling Terrorism Detainees within the American Justice System [July 16, 2008]
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- Serial No. J-110-110** (Full Committee) Crimes Associated with Polygamy: The Need for a Coordinated State and Federal Response [July 24, 2008]
- Serial No. J-110-111** (Full Committee) Responding to the Growing Need for Federal Judgeships: the Federal Judgeship Act of 2008 [June 17, 2008]
- Serial No. J-110-112** (Full Committee) Music and Radio in the 21st Century: Assuring Fair Rates and Rules Across Platforms [July 29, 2008]
- Serial No. J-110-113** (Full Committee) Politicized Hiring at the Department of Justice [July 30, 2008]
- Serial No. J-110-114** (Full Committee) S.J. Res. 45, a Resolution Consenting to and Approving the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence River Basin Water Resources Compact [July 30, 2008]
- Serial No. J-110-115** (Antitrust, Competition Policy, and Consumer Rights) Consolidation in the Pennsylvania Health Insurance Industry: The Right Prescription? [July 31, 2008]
- Serial No. J-110-116** (Full Committee) New Strategies for Combating Violent Crime: Drawing Lessons from Recent Experience [September 10, 2008]
- Serial No. J-110-117** (Full Committee) Protecting the Right to Vote: Oversight of the Department of Justice's Preparations for the 2008 General Election [September 9, 2008]
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- Serial No. J-110-124** (Full Committee) Helping Families Save their Homes: The Role of Bankruptcy Law [November 19, 2008]
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- Serial No. J-110-126** (Full Committee) Community-Based Solutions to Drug Related Crime in Rural America [December 5, 2008]

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Report 110-42, March 29, 2007, S. 378—The Court Security Improvement Act of 2007.

- Report 110-51, April 10, 2007, S. 442**—Providing for Loan Repayment for Prosecutors and Public Defenders.
- Report 110-59, April 30, 2007, S. 849**—Open Government Act of 2007.
- Report 110-61, May 4, 2007, S. 735**—Terrorist Hoax Improvements Act of 2007.
- Report 110-62, May 4, 2007, S. 621**—Wartime Treatment Study Act of 2007.
- Report 110-66, May 15, 2007, S. 119**—War Profiteering Prevention Act of 2007.
- Report 110-68, May 22, 2007, S. 879**—No Oil Producing and Exporting Cartels Act of 2007.
- Report 110-69, May 22, 2007, S. 863**—Emergency and Disaster Assistance Fraud Penalty Enhancement Act of 2007.
- Report 110-70, May 23, 2007, S. 495**—Personal Data Privacy and Security Act of 2007.
- Report 110-73, May 24, 2007, S. 368**—COPS Improvement Act of 2007.
- Report 110-88, June 22, 2007, S. 535**—Emmett Till Unsolved Civil Rights Crime Act.
- Report 110-90, June 26, 2007, S. 185**—Habeas Corpus Restoration Act of 2007.
- Report 110-150, Sept. 5, 2007, S. 376**—Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act of 2007.
- Report 110-153, Sept. 11, 2007, S. 1027**—Prevent All Cigarette Trafficking Act of 2007.
- Report 110-183, Sept. 21, 2007, S. 2084**—School Safety and Law Enforcement Improvement Act of 2007.
- Report 110-190, Oct. 4, 2007, S. 221**—Fair Contracts for Growers Act of 2007.
- Report 110-191, Oct. 4, 2007, S. 453**—Deceptive Practices and Voter Intimidation Prevention Act of 2007.
- Report 110-203, Oct. 23, 2007, S. 1845**—The Security from Political Interference in Justice Act of 2007.
- Report 110-239, Dec. 10, 2007, S. 1946**—Public Corruption Prosecution Improvements Act of 2007.
- Report 110-252, Dec. 19, 2007, S. 772**—The Railroad Antitrust Enforcement Act.
- Report 110-258, Jan. 22, 2008, S. 2248**—Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978 Amendments Act of 2007.
- Report 110-259, Jan. 24, 2008, S. 1145**—The Patent Reform Act of 2007.
- Report 110-264, Feb. 25, 2008, S. 2450**—A Bill to Amend the Federal Rules of Evidence to Address the Waiver of the Attorney-Client Privilege and the Work Product Doctrine.
- Report 110-277, April 1, 2008, S. 1638**—Federal Judicial Salary Restoration Act of 2008.
- Report 110-332, April 28, 2008, S. 431**—Keeping the Internet Devoid of Sexual Predators Act of 2008.
- Report 110-399, June 24, 2008, S. 2504**—Grant of Federal Charter to the Military Officers Association of America Act of 2008.
- Report 110-427, July 21, 2008, S. 2774**—Federal Judgeship Act of 2008.
- Report 110-431, July 25, 2008, S. 2892**—Wartime Enforcement of Fraud Act of 2008.
- Report 110-436, August 1, 2008, S. 702**—State Court Interpreter Grant Program Act.
- Report 110-439, August 1, 2008, S. 2449**—Sunshine in Litigation Act of 2008.
- Report 110-440, August 1, 2008, S. 2840**—Military Personnel Citizenship Processing Act.
- Report 110-442, August 1, 2008, S. 2533**—State Secrets Protection Act.
- Report 110-448, Sept. 8, 2008, S. 344**—A Bill to Permit the Televising of Supreme Court Proceedings.

- Report 110-472, Sept. 18, 2008, S. 3155**—Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Reauthorization Act of 2008.
- Report 110-507, Sept. 25, 2008, S. 2041**—The False Claims Act Correction Act of 2008.
- Report 110-514, Sept. 26, 2008, S. 2136**—Helping Families Save their Homes in Bankruptcy Act of 2008.
- Report 110-518, Oct. 1, 2008, S. 2838**—Fairness in Nursing Home Arbitration Act.
- Report 110-521, Nov. 17, 2008, S. 980**—Ryan Haight Online Pharmacy Consumer Protection Act of 2008.
- Report 110-522, Nov. 19, 2008, S. Res. 707**—Report on S. Res. 707 and S. Res. 708.
- Report 110-528, Dec. 11, 2008, S. 3501**—OLC Reporting Act of 2008.

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY DURING THE 110TH CONGRESS

I. OVERVIEW

During the 110th Congress, the full Senate Judiciary Committee and its seven subcommittees held 32 legislative hearings, 96 oversight hearings, and met on 24 occasions for hearings on nominations. The Committee met in executive session on 50 occasions.

Six-hundred and eighty-three Senate and House bills, resolutions, concurrent resolutions, and joint resolutions were referred to the Committee. The Committee reported to the Senate 156 of the measures that were referred to it. The Senate passed 53 Senate and House bills and 3 joint resolutions that were referred to the Senate Judiciary Committee. Of those 53 bills, 40 became Public Law. In addition, 2 joint resolutions became Public Law. Further, the Senate agreed to 102 resolutions and 18 concurrent resolutions.

II. PUBLIC LAWS

During the 110th Congress, the following 40 bills and 2 joint resolutions referred to the Committee on the Judiciary became Public Law:

- Public Law 110-34 (S. 214), June 14, 2007**—To amend chapter 35 of title 28, United States Code, to preserve the independence of United States attorneys.
- Public Law 110-41 (H.R. 692), June 29, 2007**—To amend title 4, United States Code, to authorize the Governor of a State, territory, or possession of the United States to order that the National flag be flown at half-staff in that State, territory, or possession in the event of the death of a member of the Armed Forces from that State, territory, or possession who dies while serving on active duty.
- Public Law 110-79 (S. 975), August 13, 2007**—Granting the consent and approval of Congress to an interstate forest fire protection compact.
- Public Law 110-113 (S. 2106), November 8, 2007**—To provide nationwide subpoena authority for actions brought under the September 11 Victim Compensation Fund of 2001.
- Public Law 110-151 (S. 888), December 21, 2007**—To amend section 1091 of title 18, United States Code, to allow the prosecution of genocide in appropriate circumstances.
- Public Law 110-171 (S.J. Res. 13), December 26, 2007**—Granting the consent of Congress to the International Emergency Management Assistance Memorandum of Understanding.

- Public Law 110-177 (H.R. 660), January 7, 2008**—To amend title 18, United States Code, to protect judges, prosecutors, witnesses, victims, and their family members, and for other purposes.
- Public Law 110-179 (S. 863), January 7, 2008**—To amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to fraud in connection with major disaster or emergency.
- Public Law 110-180 (H.R. 2640), January 8, 2008**—To improve the National Instant Criminal Background Check System, and for other purposes.
- Public Law 110-183 (H.R. 3432), February 5, 2008**—To establish the Commission on the Abolition of the Transatlantic Slave Trade.
- Public Law 110-199 (H.R. 1593, April 9, 2008)**—To reauthorize the grant program for reentry of offenders into the community in the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968, to improve reentry planning and implementation, and for other purposes.
- Public Law 110-239 (H.R. 2356), June 3, 2008**—To amend title 4, United States Code, to encourage the display of the flag of the United States on Father's Day.
- Public Law 110-240 (H.R. 2517), June 3, 2008**—To amend the Missing Children's Assistance Act to authorize appropriations, and for other purposes.
- Public Law 110-242 (S. 2829), June 3, 2008**—To make technical corrections to section 1244 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008, which provides special immigrant status for certain Iraqis, and for other purposes.
- Public Law 110-251 (S. 2516), June 26, 2008**—To assist members of the Armed Forces in obtaining United States citizenship, and for other purposes.
- Public Law 110-254 (S. 1692), June 30, 2008**—To grant a Federal charter to Korean War Veterans Association, Incorporated.
- Public Law 110-257 (H.R. 5690), July 1, 2008**—To remove the African National Congress from treatment as a terrorist organization for certain acts or events, provide relief for certain members of the African National Congress regarding admissibility, and for other purposes.
- Public Law 110-258 (S. 188), July 1, 2008**—To revise the short title of the Fannie Lou Hamer, Rosa Parks, and Coretta Scott King Voting Rights Act Reauthorization and Amendments Act of 2006.
- Public Law 110-294 (S. 231), July 30, 2008**—To authorize the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program at fiscal year 2006 levels through 2012.
- Public Law 110-298 (S. 2565), July 31, 2008**—To establish an awards mechanism to honor exceptional acts of bravery in the line of duty by Federal, State, and local law enforcement officers.
- Public Law 110-313 (S. 3295), August 12, 2008**—To amend title 35, United States Code, and the Trademark Act of 1946 to provide that the Secretary of Commerce, in consultation with the Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office, shall appoint administrative patent judges and administrative trademark judges, and for other purposes.
- Public Law 110-322 (S. 2450), September 19, 2008**—To amend the Federal Rules of Evidence to address the waiver of the attorney-client privilege and the work product doctrine.
- Public Law 110-326 (H.R. 5938), September 26, 2008**—To amend title 18, United States Code, to provide secret service protection to former Vice Presidents, and for other purposes.
- Public Law 110-327 (H.R. 1777), September 30, 2008**—To amend the Improving America's Schools Act of 1994 to make permanent the favorable treatment of need-based educational aid under the antitrust laws.
- Public Law 110-340 (S. 2135), October 3, 2008**—To prohibit the recruitment or use of child soldiers, to designate persons who recruit or use child soldiers as inadmissible aliens, to allow the deportation of persons who recruit or use child soldiers, and for other purposes.
- Public Law 110-342 (S.J. Res. 45), October 3, 2008**—Expressing the consent and approval of Congress to an interstate compact regarding water resources in the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence River Basin.
- Public Law 110-345 (H.R. 1199), October 7, 2008**—To extend the grant program for drug-endangered children.

- Public Law 110-358 (H.R. 4120), October 8, 2008**—To amend title 18, United States Code, to provide for more effective prosecution of cases involving child pornography, and for other purposes.
- Public Law 110-360 (H.R. 5057), October 8, 2008**—To reauthorize the Debbie Smith DNA Backlog Grant Program, and for other purposes.
- Public Law 110-362 (H.R. 5571), October 8, 2008**—To extend for 5 years the program relating to waiver of the foreign country residence requirement with respect to international medical graduates, and for other purposes.
- Public Law 110-378 (S. 2982), October 8, 2008**—To amend the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act to authorize appropriations, and for other purposes.
- Public Law 110-382 (S. 2840), October 9, 2008**—To establish a liaison with the Federal Bureau of Investigation in the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services to expedite naturalization applications filed by members of the Armed Forces and to establish a deadline for processing such applications.
- Public Law 110-384 (H.R. 3480), October 10, 2008**—To direct the United States Sentencing Commission to assure appropriate punishment enhancements for those involved in receiving stolen property where that property consists of grave markers of veterans, and for other purposes.
- Public Law 110-400 (S. 431), October 13, 2008**—To require convicted sex offenders to register online identifiers, and for other purposes.
- Public Law 110-401 (S. 1738), October 13, 2008**—To require the Department of Justice to develop and implement a National Strategy for Child Exploitation Prevention and Interdiction, to improve the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, to increase resources for regional computer forensic labs, and to make other improvements to increase the ability of law enforcement agencies to investigate and prosecute child predators.
- Public Law 110-402 (S. 3296), October 13, 2008**—To extend the authority of the United States Supreme Court Police to protect court officials off the Supreme Court Grounds and change the title of the Administrative Assistant to the Chief Justice.
- Public Law 110-403 (S. 3325), October 13, 2008**—To enhance remedies for violations of intellectual property laws, and for other purposes.
- Public Law 110-406 (S. 3569), October 13, 2008**—To make improvements in the operation and administration of the Federal courts, and for other purposes.
- Public Law 110-415 (S. 1276), October 14, 2008**—To facilitate the creation of methamphetamine precursor electronic logbook systems, and for other purposes.
- Public Law 110-416 (S. 2304), October 14, 2008**—To amend title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to provide grants for the improved mental health treatment and services provided to offenders with mental illnesses, and for other purposes.
- Public Law 110-424 (H.R. 6083), October 15, 2008**—To authorize funding to conduct a national training program for State and local prosecutors.
- Public Law 110-438 (S. 3197), October 20, 2008**—To amend title 11, United States Code, to exempt for a limited period, from the application of the means-test presumption of abuse under chapter 7, qualifying members of reserve components of the Armed Forces and members of the National Guard who, after September 11, 2001, are called to active duty or to perform a homeland defense activity for not less than 90 days.

III. PRIVATE LAWS

The Committee reported no private bills during the 110th Congress.

IV. HEARINGS OF THE COMMITTEE

LEGISLATIVE HEARINGS

S. 236 (Full Committee), January 10, 2007—Federal Agency Data Mining Reporting Act of 2007

- S. 442 (Full Committee), February 27, 2007**—The John R. Justice Prosecutors and Defenders Incentive Act of 2007
- S. 9 (Full Committee), February 28, 2007**—Comprehensive Immigration Reform Act of 2007
- S. 618 (Full Committee), March 7, 2007**—Insurance Industry Competition Act of 2007
- Public Law 110-175 (Full Committee), March 14, 2007**—OPEN Government Act of 2007
- S. 119 (Full Committee), March 20, 2007**—War Profiteering Prevention Act of 2007
- S. 238 (Terrorism, Technology and Homeland Security), March 21, 2007**—Social Security Number Misuse Prevention Act
- Public Law 110-340 (Human Rights and the Law), April 24, 2007**—Child Soldiers Accountability Act of 2008
- S. 1145 (Full Committee), May 1, 2007 and June 6, 2007**—Patent Reform Act of 2007
- Public Law 110-425 (Full Committee), May 16, 2007**—Ryan Haight Online Pharmacy Consumer Protection Act of 2008
- S. 185 (Full Committee), May 22, 2007**—Habeas Corpus Restoration Act of 2007
- S. 1257 (Full Committee), May 23, 2007**—District of Columbia House Voting Rights Act of 2007
- S. 456 (Full Committee), June 5, 2007**—Gang Abatement and Prevention Act of 2007
- S. 453 (Full Committee), June 7, 2007**—Deceptive Practices and Voter Intimidation Prevention Act of 2007
- S. 2248 (Full Committee), September 25, 2007 and October 31, 2007**—FISA Amendments Act of 2008
- S. 772 (Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights), October 3, 2007**—Railroad Antitrust Enforcement Act of 2007
- S. 2317 (Full Committee), November 7, 2007**—Intellectual Property Enforcement Act
- S. 3155 (Full Committee), December 5, 2007**—Reauthorization of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act
- S. 2136 (Full Committee), December 5, 2007 and November 19, 2008**—Helping Families Save Their Homes in Bankruptcy Act of 2008
- S. 2449 (Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights), December 11, 2007**—the Sunshine in Litigation Act of 2008
- S. 1782 (the Constitution), December 12, 2007**—Arbitration Fairness Act of 2007
- S. 1383, S. 1685, and S. 1711 (Crime and Drugs), February 12, 2008**—Federal Cocaine Sentencing Laws
- S. 2533 (Full Committee), February 13, 2008**—State Secrets Protection Act
- S. 2041 (Full Committee), February 27, 2008**—False Claims Act Correction Act of 2008
- S. 2274 (Joint Hearing of the Senate Judiciary Committee Subcommittee on Crime and Drugs and the Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control), March 12, 2008**—Dextromethorphan Abuse Reduction Act of 2007
- Public Law 110-401 (Crime and Drugs), April 16, 2008**—PROTECT Our Children Act of 2008
- Public Law 110-378 (Full Committee), April 29, 2008**—Reconnecting Homeless Youth Act of 2008
- Public Law 110-421 (Full Committee), May 13, 2008**—Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Act of 2008
- S. 2774 (Full Committee), June 17, 2008**—Federal Judgeship Act of 2008
- S. 2838 (Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights), June 18, 2008**—the Fairness in Nursing Home Arbitration Act

S. 2913 (Full Committee), July 29, 2008—Shawn Bentley Orphan Works Act of 2008

Public Law 110-342 (Full Committee), July 30, 2008—Great Lakes-St. Lawrence River Basin Water Resources Compact

U.S. ATTORNEY INVESTIGATION HEARINGS

From the beginning of the 110th Congress, the Judiciary Committee conducted an investigation into the unprecedented mass firings of Federal prosecutors by those in the Administration of the President who appointed them. The investigation began after it came to light that seven U.S. Attorneys had been fired on the same day, December 7, 2006: David C. Iglesias, District of New Mexico; Carol Lam, Southern District of California; John McKay, Western District of Washington; Daniel Bogden, District of Nevada; Paul K. Charlton, District of Arizona; Margaret Chiara, Western District of Michigan; and Kevin Ryan, Northern District of California. The Committee also learned that H.E. “Bud” Cummins, III, Eastern District of Arkansas, had been told to resign in June of 2006. The Committee subsequently learned that Todd Graves, Western District of Missouri, had been asked to resign in January 2006 and as many as several dozen U.S. Attorneys had been considered for firing.

The Committee held hearings, in whole or part, regarding the firing of the U.S. attorneys, as follows:

Full Committee, January 18, 2007—“Oversight of the U.S. Department of Justice Alberto Gonzales, Attorney General of the United States, Department of Justice”

Full Committee, February 6, 2007—“Preserving Prosecutorial Independence: Is the Department of Justice Politicizing the Hiring and Firing of U.S. Attorneys?”

Full Committee, March 6, 2007—“Preserving Prosecutorial Independence: Is the Department of Justice Politicizing the Hiring and Firing of U.S. Attorneys?—Part II”

Full Committee, March 29, 2007—“Preserving Prosecutorial Independence: Is the Department of Justice Politicizing the Hiring and Firing of U.S. Attorneys?—Part III”

Full Committee, April 19, 2007—“Department of Justice Oversight. Alberto Gonzales, Attorney General of the United States, Department of Justice”

Full Committee, May 15, 2007—“Preserving Prosecutorial Independence: Is the Department of Justice Politicizing the Hiring and Firing of U.S. Attorneys?—Part IV”

Full Committee, June 5, 2007—“Preserving Prosecutorial Independence: Is the Department of Justice Politicizing the Hiring and Firing of U.S. Attorneys?—Part V”

Full Committee, June 21, 2007—“Oversight of the Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division”

Subcommittee on the Constitution, June 27, 2007—“Oversight of the Federal Death Penalty”

Full Committee, July 11, 2007—“Preserving Prosecutorial Independence: Is the Department of Justice Politicizing the Hiring and Firing of U.S. Attorneys?—Part VI”

Full Committee, July 24, 2007—“Department of Justice Oversight. Alberto Gonzales, Attorney General of the United States, Department of Justice”

Full Committee, August 2, 2007—“Preserving Prosecutorial Independence: Is the Department of Justice Politicizing the Hiring and Firing of U.S. Attorneys?—Part VII”

- Full Committee, January 23, 2008**—“Oversight of the Justice for All Act: Has the Justice Department Effectively Administered the Bloodworth and Coverdell DNA Grant Programs?”
- Full Committee, January 30, 2008**—“Oversight of the U.S. Department of Justice”
- Full Committee, March 5, 2008**—“Oversight of the Federal Bureau of Investigation”
- Full Committee, July 9, 2008**—“Oversight of the U.S. Department of Justice”
- Full Committee, July 30, 2008**—“Politicized Hiring at the Department of Justice”
- Full Committee, September 17, 2008**—“Oversight of the Federal Bureau of Investigation”

OTHER HEARINGS

- Full Committee, January 16, 2007**—“The Plight of Iraqi Refugees”—Oversight hearing on U.S. efforts to assist Iraqis who have been internally displaced or who have fled Iraq. The hearing also focused on the challenges faced by Iraqi refugees, and particularly those who have been targeted as a result of working with the United States.
- Full Committee, January 17, 2007**—“Paying Off Generics to Prevent Competition with Brand Name Drugs”—Oversight hearing on the practice of brand name pharmaceuticals paying generics to prevent competition and S. 316, the Preserve Access to Affordable Generics Act.
- Full Committee, January 30, 2007**—“Exercising Congress’s Constitutional Power to End a War”—Oversight hearing to explore the Constitutional powers of the executive branch and legislative branch with respect to war.
- Full Committee, January 31, 2007**—“Examining Recommendations for Improvements to Iraq’s Justice System”—Oversight hearing to examine the challenges of training the Iraqi police and building a working criminal justice system.
- Subcommittee on Terrorism, Technology and Homeland Security, January 31, 2007**—“US-VISIT: Challenges and Strategies for Securing the U.S. Border”—Oversight hearing to examine U.S. VISIT and what needs to be developed and deployed with proper regard for costs and benefits.
- Subcommittee on Human Rights and the Law, February 5, 2007**—“Genocide and the Rule of Law”—Oversight hearing to examine the loophole that had allowed those who commit or incite genocide to seek refuge in our country without fear of prosecution for their actions, as well as to what can be done to convince the Sudanese Government to disarm the militias that are responsible for the genocide and to allow the United Nations to deploy additional troops to buttress the African Union force.
- Full Committee, February 6, March 13, April 11, June 20, and July 19, 2007**—Nominations of John Preston Bailey, to be U.S. District Judge for the Northern District of West Virginia; Otis D. Wright, II, to be U.S. District Judge for the Central District of California; and, George H. Wu, to be U.S. District Judge for the Central District of California.
- Full Committee, February 14, 2007**—“Judicial Security and Independence”—Oversight hearing to examine both the physical attacks that have been made on judges, as well as the threat from financial insecurity due to eroding pay.
- Full Committee, February 19, 2007**—“Mentoring and Community-Based Solutions to Delinquency and Youth Violence”—Oversight hearing to examine the challenge of addressing the growing problem of violence and the devastating effects it has on our community, especially on our youngest citizens.
- Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights, March 7, 2007**—“Oversight of the Enforcement of the Antitrust Laws”.
- Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights, March 20, 2007**—“The XM-Sirius Merger: Monopoly or Competition from New Technologies”—Oversight hearing to consider the proposed merger between the Nation’s only two national satellite radio services, XM and Sirius.
- Full Committee, March 21, 2007**—“Misuse of Patriot Act Powers: The Inspector General’s Findings of Improper Use of the National Security Letters by the

FBI”—Oversight hearing to examine the privacy and civil liberties implications of the FBI’s misuses and abuse of authorities to issue national security letters (“NSLs”) under the PATRIOT Act.

Subcommittee on Human Rights and the Law, March 26, 2007—“Legal Options to Stop Human Trafficking”—Oversight hearing to examine the Trafficking Victims Protection Act, seven years after passage and what progress the U.S. Government has made in combating human trafficking in the United States and abroad.

Full Committee, March 27, 2007—“Oversight of the Federal Bureau of Investigation”—Oversight hearing to examine the FBI’s effectiveness in carrying out its domestic intelligence and law enforcement mission.

Full Committee, April 9, 2007—“Examining Health Care Mergers in Pennsylvania”—Oversight hearing in Pennsylvania to examine the Highmark/Independence Blue Cross merger.

Subcommittee on the Constitution, April 11, 2007—“Responding to the Inspector General’s Findings of Improper Use of National Security Letters by the FBI”—Oversight hearing to address the Department of Justice Inspector General’s report.

Full Committee, April 24, 2007—“The Insurrection Act Rider and State Control of the National Guard”—Oversight hearing to examine the changes to the Insurrection Act adopted by the 109th Congress, which increased the power of the President to nationalize National Guard units and were enacted without consulting the Nation’s Governors, Adjutant Generals, or local law enforcement communities.

Subcommittee on Terrorism, Technology and Homeland Security, May 2, 2007—“Interrupting Terrorist Travel: Strengthening the Security of International Travel Documents”—Oversight hearing to examine terrorists’ use of fraudulent travel documents as one of the most dangerous gaps in global security.

Full Committee, May 8, 2007—“Will REAL ID Actually Make Us Safer? An Examination of Privacy and Civil Liberties Concerns”—Oversight hearing to examine the privacy implications of the REAL ID national identification program.

Full Committee, May 10, 2007—Nominations of Leslie Southwick, to be Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit; Janet T. Neff, to be District Judge for the Western District of Michigan; and Liam O’Grady, to be District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia.

Subcommittee on Crime and Drugs, May 23, 2007—“Rising Crime in the United States: Examining the Federal Role in Helping Communities Prevent and Respond to Violent Crime”—Oversight hearing to examine the COPS legislation that would reauthorize and expand the ability of the Attorney General to award grants aimed at increasing the number of police on the streets and in our schools.

Full Committee, June 20, 2007—“Rising Violent Crime in the Aftermath of Hurricane Katrina”—Oversight hearing to focus on the near-epidemic of violent crime in New Orleans, up more than 100 percent over the previous year, and the need for greater Federal assistance to State and local law enforcement to rebuild their criminal justice system. The hearing also highlighted Senator Landrieu’s 10-point plan to address violent crime in Louisiana.

Subcommittee on the Constitution, June 27, 2007—“Oversight of the Federal Death Penalty”—Oversight hearing to examine the role the Bush Administration has played in the implementation of the Federal death penalty.

Full Committee, July 17, 2007—“Hearing to Examine the Prosecution of Ignacio Ramos and Jose Compean”—Oversight hearing to examine the conviction and imprisonment of Border Patrol agents Jose Compean and Ignacio Ramos.

Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights, July 31, 2007—“The Leegin Decision: The End of the Consumer Discounts or Good Antitrust Policy?”—Oversight hearing to examine consumer prices after the Supreme Court invalidated a century old ban on manufacturers setting a minimum price below which a retailer cannot sell the manufacturer’s product.

Full Committee, July 31, 2007—“Evaluating the Propriety and Adequacy of the OxyContin Criminal Settlement”—Oversight hearing to evaluate the adequacy of the plea agreement between Purdue Pharma and the Federal Government over Purdue’s misrepresentation of the dangers associated with their painkiller OxyContin. Purdue’s aggressive and misleading marketing of OxyContin was a

tragic example of a corporation putting its profits before the health of our Nation's citizens. The purpose of this hearing was to discuss whether the \$680 million in penalties, which Purdue agreed to pay, was commensurate with their crimes in light of the fact that OxyContin sales between 1995 and 2004 yielded some \$2.8 billion in profits for Purdue.

Full Committee, September 5, 2007—"The 50th Anniversary of the Civil Rights Act of 1957 and its Continuing Importance"—Oversight hearing marking the golden anniversary of the Civil Rights Act of 1957, the first major civil rights law passed since Reconstruction. The hearing examined whether Federal civil rights enforcement has remained faithful to the goal of achieving equal justice for all.

Full Committee, September 12, 2007—"Regulatory Preemption: Are Federal Agencies Usurping Congressional and State Authority"—Oversight hearing on the preemption of State and local governments by Federal agency regulations.

Full Committee, September 18, 2007—"Examining Approaches to Corporate Fraud Prosecutions and the Attorney-Client Privilege Under the McNulty Memorandum"—Oversight hearing to evaluate whether the Department of Justice reached the right balance between aggressive enforcement of corporate fraud statutes and proper respect for the attorney-client privilege in implementing the Department of Justice's new policy on waiver of corporate attorney-client privilege. A broad coalition of interests including the Chamber of Commerce and the American Bar Association had been asserting for several years that the Justice Department was unfairly pressuring corporations to waive the attorney-client privilege. In response to their activism and to criticism by members of Congress including Senators Specter and Leahy, the Department of Justice had revised its policy in late 2006 in a document that became known as the McNulty Memorandum. The hearing sought to determine whether the McNulty Memorandum had fixed the problem, or whether problems still remained, and if so, what should be done about them.

Subcommittee on Human Rights and the Law, September 19, 2007—"The Material Support Bar: Denying Refuge to the Persecuted?"—Oversight hearing focusing on the impact of the "material support" bar on asylum seekers in the United States. The material support bar has had the effect of barring asylum seekers from the United States who have been forced, under duress, to even meekly assist organizations deemed to be terrorist organizations by the United States government.

Full Committee, September 25, 2007—Nominations of John Daniel Tinder to be United States Circuit Judge for the Seventh Circuit and Robert M. Dow, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois.

Full Committee, September 26, 2007—Nomination of Michael J. Sullivan to be Director, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives.

Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights, September 27, 2007—"An Examination of the Google-DoubleClick Merger and the Online Advertising Industry: What Are the Risks for Competition and Privacy?"—Oversight hearing to examine privacy and antitrust concerns raised by the corporate merger of Google and DoubleClick and the impact that this merger would have on the online advertising industry.

Full Committee, October 2, 2007—"Preserving the Rule of Law in the Fight Against Terrorism"—Oversight hearing to examine the expansion of Executive power under the current administration, and in particular the small group of lawyers who were responsible for crafting the legal opinions justifying these policies.

Full Committee, October 4, 2007—"Justice Denied? Implementation of the Hometown Heroes Survivors Benefits Act"—Oversight hearing to address the frustrations of Congress and of surviving families in the first responder community regarding the Justice Department's delay of processing applications for the receipt of Federal survivor's benefits under the Hometown Heroes Survivors Benefits Act passed in November 2003, an Act intended to improve the Public Safety Officers' Benefits program by allowing survivors of first responders who suffered fatal heart attacks or strokes while participating in non-routine physical activities to qualify for Federal survivor's benefits, as well as the unfair denial of claims of Federal survivor's benefits that Congress attempted to address in 2003 and that the Department of Justice was not acting in a manner Congress intended. Nearly four years after the Hometown Heroes bill became law, the Justice Department had approved only 12 Hometown Heroes claims, denied 50 families this important benefit, and left 240 applications unanswered.

- Full Committee, October 10, 2007**—“Economic and Community Implications of Northern Border Security”—Oversight hearing to examine the administration’s efforts to implement the Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative (WHTI) and the cultural and economic implications of the Initiative.
- Full Committee, October 17 and 18, 2007**—Nomination of Michael B. Mukasey to be Attorney General of the United States.
- Full Committee, October 23, 2007**—“The Role of Federally-Funded University Research in the Patent System”—Oversight hearing to give process to an issue that has become known as an Iowa State issue: the Bayh-Dole Act of 1980 granted universities, among others, the right to title of a patentable invention invented with the use of Federal funds (a “subject invention”), and the related right to retain all profits from licensing the invention without reimbursing the Government. The only narrow exception is with respect to inventions made at Government-owned-contractor-operated facilities (GOCOs). Under amendments to Bayh-Dole, universities operating GOCOs were given the same right to elect title to a subject invention but, because the facility was Government-owned, Congress required repayment to the Government if the balance of any royalties earned off licensing inventions exceeded 5% of the annual budget of the facility. Iowa State University’s Ames Laboratory became the first to report exceeding this cap and reimbursed the Government last year. At the end of the 109th, the House passed legislation that would have effectively relieved Ames from having to compensate the Government. The hearing also offered an opportunity to begin a more general examination of the role of Federally funded university research in the patent system.
- Full Committee, October 24, 2007**—Nominations of Joseph N. Laplante to be United States District Judge for the District of New Hampshire; Reed Charles O’Connor to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas, Dallas Division; Thomas D. Schroeder to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of North Carolina; and, Amul R. Thapar to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Kentucky.
- Full Committee, November 13, 2007**—“Exploring the Scope of Public Performance Rights”—Oversight hearing on who gets paid what when a song is broadcast on the radio. Over-the-air broadcasters have long enjoyed an exemption from paying royalties for public performance rights—the copyrights that artists have in their recorded works—and this hearing addressed the issue of whether that exemption has outlived its justifications. This first hearing on the subject involved only the principals—namely, the performers and the broadcasters.
- Subcommittee on Human Rights and the Law, November 14, 2007**—“No Safe Haven: Accountability for Human Rights Violators in the United States”—Oversight hearing exploring what the U.S. Government is doing to hold accountable human rights violators who have found safe haven in our country, and what more the Government can do to identify, investigate, and prosecute suspected perpetrators of serious human rights abuses.
- Full Committee, December 4, 2007**—“Electronic Prescribing of Controlled Substances: Addressing Health Care and Law Enforcement Priorities”—Oversight hearing to examine the need for the Drug Enforcement Administration and the Department of Justice to promulgate regulations permitting the e-prescribing of controlled substances. Although e-prescribe has many health care benefits, the privacy community expressed concerns that, in the absence of sufficient safeguards, e-prescribe poses some of the same threats to patient privacy rights as the larger movement toward health IT.
- Subcommittee on Terrorism, Technology and Homeland Security, December 11, 2007**—“The Legal Rights of Guantanamo Detainees: What Are they, Should they be Changed, and is an End in Sight?”—Oversight hearing to examine our treatment of detainees at Guantanamo Bay and how best to secure our Nation while holding on to our freedoms and democratic values.
- Full Committee, December 18, 2007**—Nominations of Ondray T. Harris, to be Director, Community Relations Service, Department of Justice; David W. Hagy, to be Director of the National Institute of Justice, Department of Justice; Scott M. Burns, to be Deputy Director of National Drug Control Policy, Executive Office of the President; Cynthia Dyer, to be Director of the Violence Against Women Office, Department of Justice; and, Nathan J. Hochman, to be an Assistant Attorney General, Tax Division, Department of Justice.
- Full Committee, December 19, 2007**—Nomination of Mark R. Filip to be Deputy Attorney General.

- Full Committee, January 22, 2008**—Nominations of Kevin J. O'Connor, of Connecticut, to be Associate Attorney General, Department of Justice; and, Gregory G. Katsas, of Massachusetts, to be Assistant Attorney General, Civil Division, Department of Justice.
- Full Committee, January 23, 2008**—“Oversight of the Justice for All Act: Has the Justice Department Effectively Administered the Bloodsworth and Coverdell DNA Grant Programs?”—Oversight hearing to examine access to post-conviction DNA testing necessary to prove the innocence of individuals wrongfully convicted of crimes.
- Full Committee, February 7, 2008**—“The Founding Fathers’ Papers: Ensuring Public Access to our National Treasures”—Oversight hearing to explore new ways to use the Internet to promote open government.
- Full Committee, February 12, 2008**—Nominations of James Randal Hall to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Georgia; Richard H. Honaker to be United States District Judge for the District of Wyoming; Gustavus Adolphus Puryear, IV to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Tennessee; and, Brian Stacy Miller to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Arkansas.
- Full Committee, February 21, 2008**—Nominations of Catharina Haynes, of Texas, to be United States Circuit Court Judge for the Fifth Circuit; John A. Mendez to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of California; and, Stanley Thomas Anderson to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Tennessee.
- Subcommittee on Crime and Drugs, February 27, 2008**—“Supporting the Front Line in the Fight Against Crime: Restoring Federal Funding for State and Local Law Enforcement”—Oversight hearing to examine the issue of State police vacancies and the significant decline in the funds appropriated and spent in connection with the COPS program.
- Subcommittee on Terrorism, Technology and Homeland Security, February 28, 2008**—“Weaknesses in the Visa Waiver Program: Are the Needed Safeguards in Place to Protect America”—Oversight hearing to examine the effectiveness of the Visa Waiver Program in the Department of Homeland Security and to enhance the security of the Program while moving forward with its expansion.
- Full Committee, March 11, 2008**—Nomination of Grace C. Becker to be Assistant Attorney General for the Civil Rights Division.
- Full Committee, March 24, 2008**—“The Rise of Drug-Related Violent Crime in Rural America: Finding Solutions to a Growing Problem”—Oversight hearing in Rutland, Vermont to examine community-based collaboration efforts with police to support prevention and education, in addition to traditional law enforcement responses.
- Subcommittee on Human Rights and the Law, April 1, 2008**—“Rape as a Weapon of War: Accountability for Sexual Violence in Conflict”—Oversight hearing to examine the systematic and deliberate use of rape as a weapon of war to humiliate, expel and destroy communities in conflicts around the globe.
- Full Committee, April 2, 2008**—“Oversight of the Department of Homeland Security”—Oversight hearing with Michael Chertoff, Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security.
- Full Committee, April 3, 2008**—Nominations of Mark S. Davis to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia; David Gregory Kays to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Missouri; David J. Novak to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia; Stephen N. Limbaugh, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Missouri; and, Elisebeth C. Cook to be Assistant Attorney General for the Office of Legal Policy, Department of Justice.
- Subcommittee on the Constitution, April 8, 2008**—“The Adequacy of Representation in Capital Cases”—Oversight hearing to examine the adequacy of representation for individuals who have been charged with and convicted of capital crimes at the State level.
- Full Committee, April 23, 2008**—“National Security Letters: The Need for Greater Accountability and Oversight”—Oversight hearing to probe the use of National Security Letters (“NSLs”) by the Justice Department, the scope of the authority provided by NSLs, and the lack of accountability for their use.

- Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights, April 24, 2008**—“An Examination of the Delta-Northwest Merger”—Oversight hearing to examine the \$3.7 billion, Delta and Northwest Airlines merger to create the world’s largest airline.
- Subcommittee on the Constitution, April 30, 2008**—“Secret Law and the Threat to Democratic and Accountable Government”—Oversight hearing to examine the role of the Justice Department’s Office of Legal Counsel (OLC) during the Bush administration. OLC opinions have traditionally carried great weight in the executive branch; and their issued legal opinions are considered binding on the executive branch. During the Bush administration, OLC issued “secret law” by subverting the interpretation of congressional statutes and thereby giving the Administration legal cover for their policies.
- Full Committee, May 1, 2008**—Nominations of G. Steven Agee to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit; William T. Lawrence to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Indiana; G. Murray Snow to be United States District Judge for the District of Arizona.
- Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts, May 6, 2008**—“Policing Lenders and Protecting Homeowners: Is Misconduct in Bankruptcy Fueling the Foreclosure Crisis?”—Oversight hearing to examine the questionable lending practices that have harmed homeowners and stalled the economy.
- Full Committee, May 7, 2008**—Nominations of Helene N. White, of Michigan, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit; Raymond M. Kethledge, of Michigan, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit; and, Stephen Joseph Murphy III, of Michigan, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan.
- Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights, May 7, 2008**—“Concentration in Agriculture and an Examination of the JBS/Swift Acquisitions”—Oversight hearing to examine the rising tide of consolidation in agriculture, in particular, the plans of JBS Swift to acquire two other meatpacking firms, a transaction that would reduce the number of major competitors in the industry from five to three.
- Full Committee, May 20, 2008**—“Protecting the Constitutional Right to Vote for All Americans”—Oversight hearing on protecting the Constitutional right to vote for all Americans during the 2008 presidential election. The hearing, held months away from an important Federal election, examined the modern day barriers to voting that continue to exist in our society and looked for ways to ensure that the democratic process will be open to all Americans.
- Subcommittee on Human Rights and the Law, May 20, 2008**—“Global Internet Freedom: Corporate Responsibility and the Rule of Law”—Oversight hearing to examine governmental control of the Internet in foreign countries that has resulted in censorship and human rights violations.
- Full Committee, May 21, 2008**—“Exploring the Skyrocketing Price of Oil”—Oversight hearing exploring the causes of the sudden rise in the price of oil which had exceeded \$125 per barrel, up from roughly \$32 when President Bush took office.
- Full Committee, May 22, 2008**—“Closing the Justice Gap: Providing Civil Legal Assistance to Low-Income Americans”—Oversight hearing to examine providing affordable legal representation highlighting the efforts of the Legal Services Corporation to ensure that more low-income Americans have access to adequate legal representation.
- Full Committee, June 4, 2008**—“Improving Detainee Policy: Handling Terrorism Detainees within the American Justice System”—Oversight hearing to examine what type of legal system should govern terrorism suspects, focusing specifically on the detainees that have languished for years at Guantanamo without access to meaningful judicial review. At the time, only one accused terrorist had been tried, convicted and punished by the military commissions. More and more prosecutors and judges had either resigned in protest over the flaws in the system, or had been replaced in ways that suggested the proceedings might have been engineered to guarantee a result rather than ensure fairness.
- Full Committee, June 10, 2008**—“Coercive Interrogation Techniques: Do they Work, are they Reliable, and What did the FBI Know about them?”—Oversight hearing to examine the Bush administration’s detainee interrogation practices and to explore any involvement by the FBI in these practices.

- Full Committee, June 11, 2008**—“Short-change for Consumers and Short-shrift for Congress? The Supreme Court’s Treatment of Laws that Protect Americans’ Health, Safety, Jobs and Retirement”—Hearing to examine how the Supreme Court’s decisions affect Americans’ everyday lives, including laws designed to protect Americans’ health, safety and retirement.
- Full Committee, June 11, 2008**—Nominations of Paul G. Gardephe to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York; Kiyo A. Matsumoto to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York; Cathy Seibel to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York; and, Glenn T. Suddaby to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of New York.
- Full Committee, June 17, 2008**—“Protecting Consumers by Protecting Intellectual Property”—Oversight hearing to examine the efforts of the Federal Government to enforce intellectual property rights. Witnesses at this hearing included representatives of the automotive, pharmaceutical, and product safety industries, who testified to the dangers of counterfeit versions of their products and the resources required to combat them. The Government Accountability Office was also represented at this hearing in order to discuss Federal enforcement efforts.
- Subcommittee on Human Rights and the Law, June 24, 2008**—“From Nuremberg to Darfur: Accountability for Crimes Against Humanity”—Oversight hearing on human rights violations in the Darfur region.
- Subcommittee on the Constitution, June 25, 2008**—“Searches and other Violations of Privacy Faced by Americans Returning from Overseas Travel”—Oversight hearing examining the border security practices that affect the privacy interests of American citizens.
- Subcommittee on Crime and Drugs, June 26, 2008**—“They Can Run, But They Can’t Hide: Catching Fugitives in the 21st Century”—Oversight hearing to examine issues relating to the deployment of new technology to capture fugitives from justice.
- Full Committee, July 10, 2008**—“Passport Files: Privacy Protection Needed for All Americans”—Oversight hearing that followed troubling press reports that the passport files of three Presidential candidates had been breached and improperly searched by State Department employees and contractors.
- Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights, July 15, 2008**—“The Google-Yahoo Agreement and the Future of Internet Advertising”—Oversight hearing examining Yahoo’s non-exclusive deal with Google for Google to serve some ads that Yahoo currently serves.
- Full Committee, July 16, 2008**—“How the Administration’s Failed Detainee Policies have Hurt the Fight Against Terrorism: Putting the Fight against Terrorism on Sound Legal Foundations”—Oversight hearing to explore the continued failed policies of the Bush Administration in the area of national security. The hearing coincided with Jane Mayer’s new book, *The Dark Side*, which revealed even more abuses perpetrated by the Bush Administration’s detainee policies. This hearing explored how to repair the harm caused by the Administration’s policies and also put our detainee policy on a firm legal footing.
- Full Committee, July 23, 2008**—Nominations of J. Patrick Rowan to be Assistant Attorney General, National Security Division; Jeffrey Leigh Sedgwick to be Assistant Attorney General, Office of Justice Programs; and, William B. Carr, Jr., to be Member of the United States Sentencing Commission.
- Full Committee, July 23, 2008**—“Courting Big Business: The Supreme Court’s Recent Decisions on Corporate Misconduct and Laws Regulating Corporations.”
- Full Committee, July 24, 2008**—“Crimes Associated with Polygamy: The Need for a Coordinated State and Federal Response”—Oversight hearing to examine the lawless conduct of polygamous communities in the United States.
- Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights, July 31, 2008**—“Consolidation in the Pennsylvania Health Insurance Industry: The Right Prescription”—Oversight hearing to examine consolidation in the health insurance market and specifically a merger of the two largest health insurers in Pennsylvania: Highmark and Independence Blue Cross.
- Full Committee, September 9, 2008**—“Protecting the Right to Vote: Oversight of the Department of Justice’s Preparations for the 2008 General Election”—Oversight hearing to examine the adequacy of the Justice Department’s plans to safeguard the right of all Americans to vote during the 2008 general elections.

- Full Committee, September 9, 2008**—Nominations of Clark Waddoups to be United States District Judge for the District of Utah; Michael M. Anello to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of California; Mary Stenson Scriven to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida; Christine M. Arguello to be United States District Judge for the District of Colorado; Philip A. Brimmer to be United States District Judge for the District of Colorado; and, Gregory G. Garre to be Solicitor General of the United States.
- Full Committee, September 10, 2008**—“New Strategies for Combating Violent Crime: Drawing Lessons from Recent Experience”—Oversight hearing on new, community-based police strategies that have proven successful in reducing youth related gun violence and eliminating entrenched drug markets. The hearing also provided an overview of violent crime trends to underscore the need for more crime prevention programs, more support for state-local law enforcement, and less for out-dated, incarceration-only strategies.
- Subcommittee on the Constitution, September 16, 2008**—“Restoring the Rule of Law”—Oversight hearing held to honor the 221st anniversary of the day in 1787 when 39 members of the Constitutional Convention signed the Constitution in Philadelphia. In addition, the hearing examined current issues including: Guantanamo, the Geneva Convention, warrantless wiretapping, data mining, destruction of emails, U.S. Attorney firings, stonewalling of Congressional oversight, abuse of the State secrets doctrine and executive privilege, secret abrogation of executive orders, and signing statements.
- Full Committee, September 23, 2008**—Nominations of Anthony J. Trenga to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia; C. Darnell Jones, II, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania; Mitchell S. Goldberg to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania; Joel H. Slomsky to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania; and, Eric F. Melgren to be United States District Judge for the District of Kansas.
- Full Committee, September 23, 2008**—“Barriers to Justice: Examining Equal Pay for Equal Work”—Oversight hearing focusing on Supreme Court decisions that affect Americans’ everyday lives, including the Lilly Ledbetter pay discrimination case.
- Subcommittee on Terrorism, Technology and Homeland Security, September 24, 2008**—“The Visa Waiver Program: Mitigating risks to ensure safety of all Americans”—Oversight hearing to examine the effectiveness of the Visa Waiver Program in the Department of Homeland Security and to enhance the security of the Program while moving forward with its expansion.
- Subcommittee on Human Rights and the Law, September 24, 2008**—“Extracting Natural Resources: Corporate Responsibility and the Rule of Law”—Oversight hearing on the human rights responsibilities of American oil, gas, and mining companies. Human rights violations, extreme poverty and environmental destruction have fueled tensions between local communities and oil companies for decades, in places like Burma and the Niger Delta. The hearing examined the legal responsibilities of extractive companies to protect human rights, voluntary industry standards for preventing human rights abuses, and whether Congress needs to consider additional legislation.
- Full Committee, October 17, 2008**—“Keeping Families in their Homes: How to Prevent Foreclosures”—Field hearing in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania to stem the burgeoning rise of residential foreclosures in the local community.
- Full Committee, October 24, 2008**—“Keeping Families in their Homes: How to Prevent Foreclosures—Part II”—Field hearing in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to stem the burgeoning rise of residential foreclosures in the local community.
- Full Committee, November 19, 2008**—“Helping Families Save their Homes: The Role of Bankruptcy Law”—Oversight hearing to examine Senator Durbin’s proposal to amend the bankruptcy code to allow modification of primary home mortgages.
- Full Committee, December 4, 2008**—“Credit Cards and Bankruptcy: Opportunities for Reform”—Oversight hearing to examine the Consumer Credit Fairness Act and the high cost of consumer credit placed on borrowers.
- Full Committee, December 5, 2008**—“Community-Based Solutions to Drug-Related Crime in Rural America”—Field hearing in St. Albans, Vermont focusing on the dramatic increase in drug-related crimes in St. Albans and Franklin county, and the growing scourge of prescription drug abuse among youth. The hearing

was structured to emphasize the need of the community to collaborate in fighting back against this problem, with the police working hand in hand with prevention and treatment programs in Franklin County and across the state. The hearing also emphasized the need to support local law enforcement through Byrne and COPS grant programs.

V. NOMINATIONS AND CONFIRMATIONS

U.S. COURT OF APPEALS JUDGES

AGEE, G. STEVEN, of Virginia, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, vice J. Michael Luttig, resigned.
 Mar. 13, 2008—Referred.
 May 01, 2008—Full Committee Hearing.
 May 15, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 May 19, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 May 20, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

CONRAD, GLEN E., of Virginia, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, vice H. Emory Widener, Jr., retired.
 May 08, 2008—Referred.
 Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

CONRAD, JR., ROBERT J., of North Carolina, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, vice James Dixon Phillips, Jr., retired.
 July 17, 2007—Referred.
 Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

DIAMOND, PAUL S., of Pennsylvania, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit, vice Franklin S. Van Antwerpen, retired.
 July 24, 2008—Referred.
 Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

ELROD, JENNIFER WALKER, of Texas, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit, vice Patrick E. Higginbotham, retired.
 Mar. 29, 2007—Referred.
 July 19, 2007—Full Committee Hearing.
 Sept. 20, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 Sept. 20, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Oct. 04, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

GETCHELL, JR., E. DUNCAN, of Virginia, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, vice H. Emory Widener, Jr., retired.
 Sept. 06, 2007—Referred.
 Jan. 23, 2008—Nomination was withdrawn.

HARDIMAN, THOMAS M., of Pennsylvania, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit, vice Richard L. Nygaard, retired.
 Jan. 09, 2007—Referred.
 Mar. 08, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 Mar. 08, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Mar. 15, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

HAYNES, CATHARINA, of Texas, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit, vice Harold R. DeMoss, Jr., retired.
 July 17, 2007—Referred.
 Feb. 21, 2008—Full Committee Hearing.
 Apr. 03, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 Apr. 03, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Apr. 10, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

KEISLER, PETER D., of Maryland, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit, vice John G. Roberts, Jr., elevated.
 Jan. 09, 2007—Referred.
 Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

KETHLEDGE, RAYMOND M., of Michigan, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit, vice James L. Ryan, retired.
 Mar. 19, 2007—Referred.
 May 07, 2008—Full Committee Hearing.
 June 12, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 June 12, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

June 24, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

LIVINGSTON, DEBRA ANN, of New York, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit, vice John M. Walker, Jr., retired.
 Jan. 09, 2007—Referred.
 Apr. 11, 2007—Full Committee Hearing.
 May 03, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 May 03, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 May 09, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

SIMON, PHILIP P., of Indiana, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Seventh Circuit, vice Kenneth F. Ripple, retired.
 Sept. 26, 2008—Referred.
 Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

ROSENSTEIN, ROD J., of Maryland, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, vice Francis D. Murnaghan, Jr., deceased.
 Nov. 15, 2007—Referred.
 Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

MATTHEWS, STEVE A., of South Carolina, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, vice William W. Wilkins, retired.
 Sept. 06, 2007—Referred.
 Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

MURPHY III, STEPHEN JOSEPH, of Michigan, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit, vice Susan Bieke Neilson, deceased.
 Mar. 19, 2007—Referred.
 Apr. 15, 2008—Nomination was withdrawn.

PRATTER, GENE E. K., of Pennsylvania, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit, vice Franklin S. Van Antwerpen, retired.
 Nov. 15, 2007—Referred.
 July 24, 2008—Nomination was withdrawn.

PRESKA, LORETTA A., of New York, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit, vice Chester J. Straub, retired.
 Sept. 09, 2008—Referred.
 Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

ROSENSTEIN, ROD J., of Maryland, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, vice Francis D. Murnaghan, Jr., deceased.
 Nov. 15, 2007—Referred.
 Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

SMITH, NORMAN RANDY, of Idaho, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, vice Stephen S. Trott, retired.
 Jan. 09, 2007—Referred.
 Jan. 16, 2007—Nomination was withdrawn.
 Jan. 16, 2007—Rereferred.
 Feb. 08, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 Feb. 08, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Feb. 15, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

SMITH, WILLIAM E., of Rhode Island, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the First Circuit, vice Bruce M. Selya, retired.
 Dec. 06, 2007—Referred.
 Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

SOUTHWICK, LESLIE, of Mississippi, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit, vice Charles W. Pickering, Sr., retired.
 Jan. 09, 2007—Referred.
 May 10, 2007—Full Committee Hearing.
 Aug. 02, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 Aug. 03, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Oct. 24, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

STONE, SHALOM D., of New Jersey, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit, vice Samuel A. Alito, Jr., elevated.
 July 17, 2007—Referred.
 Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

TINDER, JOHN DANIEL, of Indiana, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Seventh Circuit, vice Daniel A. Manion, retiring.

July 17, 2007—Referred.
 Sept. 25, 2007—Full Committee Hearing.
 Nov. 01, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered to be reported favorably.
 Nov. 05, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Dec. 18, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

WHITE, HELENE N., of Michigan, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit, vice Susan Bieke Neilson, deceased.
 Apr. 15, 2008—Referred.
 May 07, 2008—Full Committee Hearing.
 June 12, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered to be reported favorably.
 June 12, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 June 24, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

U.S. DISTRICT COURT JUDGES

ALMOND, LINCOLN D., of Rhode Island, to be United States District Judge for the District of Rhode Island, vice Ernest C. Torres, retired.
 Nov. 15, 2007—Referred.
 Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President

ANDERSON, STANLEY THOMAS, of Tennessee, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Tennessee, vice James D. Todd, retiring.
 Sept. 06, 2007—Referred.
 Feb. 21, 2008—Full Committee Hearing.
 Mar. 06, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 Mar. 06, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Apr. 10, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

ANELLO, MICHAEL M., of California, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of California, vice Napoleon A. Jones, retired.
 Apr. 30, 2008—Referred.
 Sept. 09, 2008—Full Committee Hearing.
 Sept. 25, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 Sept. 25, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Sept. 26, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

ARGUELLO, CHRISTINE M., of Colorado, to be United States District Judge for the District of Colorado, vice Walker D. Miller, retired.
 July 10, 2008—Referred.
 Sept. 09, 2008—Full Committee Hearing.
 Sept. 25, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 Sept. 25, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Sept. 26, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

AYCOCK, SHARION, of Mississippi, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Mississippi, vice Glen H. Davidson, retiring.
 Mar. 19, 2007—Referred.
 July 19, 2007—Full Committee Hearing.
 Sept. 06, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 Sept. 06, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Oct. 04, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

BAILEY, JOHN PRESTON, of West Virginia, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of West Virginia, vice Frederick P. Stamp, Jr., retired.
 Jan. 09, 2007—Referred.
 Feb. 06, 2007—Full Committee Hearing.
 Mar. 01, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered to be reported favorably.
 Mar. 01, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Mar. 15, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

BAKER, VALERIE L. of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, vice Consuelo B. Marshall, retired.
 Jan. 09, 2007—Referred.
 Jan. 25, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered to be reported favorably.
 Jan. 29, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Feb. 01, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

BARRY, J. RICHARD, of Mississippi, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Mississippi, vice William H. Barbour, Jr., retired.
 July 31, 2008—Referred.
 Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

BRIMMER, PHILIP A., of Colorado, to be United States District Judge for the District of Colorado, vice Lewis T. Babcock, retired.
 July 10, 2008—Referred.
 Sept. 09, 2008—Full Committee Hearing.
 Sept. 25, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered to be reported favorably.
 Sept. 25, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Sept. 26, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

BRYANT, VANESSA LYNNE, of Connecticut, to be United States District Judge for the District of Connecticut, vice Dominic J. Squatrito, retired.
 Jan. 09, 2007—Referred.
 Mar. 08, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 Mar. 08, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Mar. 28, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

CONNOLLY, COLM F., of Delaware, to be United States District Judge for the District of Delaware, vice Kent A. Jordan, elevated.
 Feb. 26, 2008—Referred.
 Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

DAVIS, J. MAC, of Wisconsin, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Wisconsin, vice John C. Shabaz, retiring.
 Sept. 09, 2008—Referred.
 Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

DAVIS, MARK S., of Virginia, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia, vice T. S. Ellis, III, retired.
 Nov. 15, 2007—Referred.
 Apr. 03, 2008—Full Committee Hearing.
 Apr. 24, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 Apr. 24, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 June 10, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

DEGIUSTI, TIMOTHY D., of Oklahoma, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Oklahoma, vice Timothy D. Leonard, retired.
 Feb. 15, 2007—Referred.
 June 20, 2007—Full Committee Hearing.
 July 19, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 July 24, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Aug. 03, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

DONOHUE, MARY O., of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of New York, vice Frederick J. Scullin, Jr., retired.
 Jan. 09, 2007—Referred.
 Sept. 06, 2007—Nomination was withdrawn.

DOW, JR., ROBERT M., of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, vice Charles P. Kocoras, retired.
 July 18, 2007—Referred.
 Sept. 25, 2007—Full Committee Hearing.
 Oct. 04, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 Oct. 09, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Nov. 13, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

DUGAN, TIMOTHY G., of Wisconsin, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Wisconsin, vice Rudolph T. Randa, retiring.
 July 15, 2008—Referred.
 Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

DUGAS, DAVID R., of Louisiana, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Louisiana, vice Frank J. Polozola, retired.
 Mar. 19, 2007—Referred.
 Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

FARR, THOMAS ALVIN, of North Carolina, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of North Carolina, vice Malcolm J. Howard, retired.
 Jan. 09, 2007—Referred.
 Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

FISCHER, NORA BARRY, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania, vice Robert J. Cindrich, resigned.
 Jan. 09, 2007—Referred.
 Feb. 08, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

Feb. 08, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
Feb. 14, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

FRIZZELL, GREGORY KENT, of Oklahoma, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Oklahoma, vice Sven E. Holmes, resigned.
Jan. 09, 2007—Referred.
Jan. 25, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
Jan. 29, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
Feb. 01, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

GARDEPHE, PAUL G., of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, vice Charles L. Brieant, Jr., retired.
Apr. 29, 2008—Referred.
June 11, 2008—Full Committee Hearing.
June 26, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
July 07, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
July 17, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

GOLDBERG, GREGORY E., of Colorado, to be United States District Judge for the District of Colorado, vice Phillip S. Figa, deceased.
July 10, 2008—Referred.
Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

GOLDBERG, MITCHELL S., of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, vice John R. Padova, retired.
July 24, 2008—Referred.
Sept. 23, 2008—Hearings held.
Sept. 25, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
Sept. 25, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
Sept. 26, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

GUTIERREZ, PHILIP S., of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, vice Terry J. Hatter, Jr., retired.
Jan. 09, 2007—Referred.
Jan. 25, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
Jan. 29, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
Jan. 30, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

HALL, JAMES RANDAL, of Georgia, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Georgia, vice B. Avant Edenfield, retired.
Mar. 19, 2007—Referred.
Feb. 12, 2008—Full Committee Hearing.
Mar. 06, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
Mar. 06, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
Apr. 10, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

HERNANDEZ, MARCO A., of Oregon, to be United States District Judge for the District of Oregon, vice Garr M. King, retiring.
July 23, 2008—Referred.
Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

HONAKER, RICHARD H., of Wyoming, to be United States District Judge for the District of Wyoming, vice Clarence A. Brimmer, Jr., retired.
Mar. 19, 2007—Referred.
Feb. 12, 2008—Full Committee Hearing.
Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

HOWARD, MARCIA MORALES, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida, vice Harvey E. Schlesinger, retired.
Jan. 09, 2007—Referred.
Feb. 08, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
Feb. 08, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
Feb. 15, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

JARVEY, JOHN ALFRED, of Iowa, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Iowa, vice Ronald E. Longstaff, retired.
Jan. 09, 2007—Referred.
Feb. 08, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
Feb. 08, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
Mar. 08, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

JONES II, C. DARNELL, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, vice Bruce W. Kauffman, retired.

July 24, 2008—Referred.

Sept. 23, 2008—Full Committee Hearing.

Sept. 25, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

Sept. 25, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

Sept. 26, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

JONES, RICHARD A., of Washington, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Washington, vice John C. Coughenour, retired.

Mar. 19, 2007—Referred.

July 19, 2007—Full Committee Hearing.

Sept. 06, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

Sept. 06, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

Oct. 04, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

JONKER, ROBERT JAMES, of Michigan, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Michigan, vice Gordon J. Quist, retired.

Mar. 19, 2007—Referred.

June 07, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

June 07, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

July 09, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

JUNG, WILLIAM FREDERIC, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida, vice Susan C. Bucklew, retiring.

July 10, 2008—Referred.

Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

KAPALA, FREDERICK J., of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, vice Philip G. Reinhard, retiring.

Jan. 09, 2007—Referred.

Mar. 13, 2007—Full Committee Hearing.

Apr. 25, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

Apr. 25, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

May 08, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

KAYS, DAVID GREGORY, of Missouri, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Missouri, vice Dean Whipple, retired.

Nov. 15, 2007—Referred.

Apr. 03, 2008—Full Committee Hearing.

Apr. 24, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

Apr. 24, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

June 10, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

KEISLER, PETER D., of Maryland, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit, vice John G. Roberts, Jr., elevated.

Jan. 09, 2007—Referred.

Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

LAPLANTE, JOSEPH N., of New Hampshire, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Hampshire, vice Joseph A. DiClerico, Jr., retired.

June 13, 2007—Referred.

Oct. 24, 2007—Full Committee Hearing.

Nov. 15, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

Nov. 27, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

Dec. 14, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

LAWRENCE, WILLIAM T., of Indiana, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Indiana, vice John Daniel Tinder, elevated.

Feb. 14, 2008—Referred.

May 01, 2008—Full Committee Hearing.

May 22, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

June 02, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

June 26, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

LIMBAUGH, JR., STEPHEN N., of Missouri, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Missouri, vice Donald J. Stohr, retired.

Dec. 06, 2007—Referred.

Apr. 03, 2008—Full Committee Hearing.

Apr. 24, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

Apr. 24, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

June 10, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

LIOL, SARA ELIZABETH, of Ohio, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Ohio, vice Lesley Brooks Wells, retired.

Jan. 09, 2007—Referred.

Feb. 08, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

Feb. 08, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

Mar. 08, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

MALONEY, PAUL LEWIS, of Michigan, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Michigan, vice Richard Alan Enslen, retired.

Mar. 19, 2007—Referred.

May 24, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

May 24, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

July 09, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

MARCELLE, THOMAS, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of New York, vice Frederick J. Scullin, Jr., retired.

July 31, 2008—Referred.

Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

MATSUMOTO, KIYO A., of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York, vice Edward R. Korman, retired.

Mar. 11, 2008—Referred.

June 11, 2008—Full Committee Hearing.

June 26, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

July 07, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

July 17, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

MAUSKOPF, ROSLYNN RENEE, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York, vice David G. Trager, retired.

Jan. 09, 2007—Referred.

Apr. 11, 2007—Full Committee Hearing.

July 19, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

July 24, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

Oct. 04, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

MELGREN, ERIC F., of Kansas, to be United States District Judge for the District of Kansas, vice Monti L. Belot, retired.

July 23, 2008—Referred.

Sept. 23, 2008—Full Committee Hearing.

Sept. 25, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

Sept. 25, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

Sept. 26, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

MENDEZ, JOHN A., of California, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of California, vice David F. Levi, resigned.

Sept. 06, 2007—Referred.

Feb. 21, 2008—Full Committee Hearing.

Mar. 06, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

Mar. 06, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

Apr. 10, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

MILLER, BRIAN STACY, of Arkansas, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Arkansas, vice George Howard, Jr., deceased.

Oct. 16, 2007—Referred.

Feb. 12, 2008—Full Committee Hearing.

Mar. 06, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

Mar. 06, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

Apr. 10, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

MURPHY III, STEPHEN JOSEPH, of Michigan, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan, vice Patrick J. Duggan, retired.

Apr. 15, 2008—Referred.

May 07, 2008—Full Committee Hearing.

June 12, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

June 12, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

June 24, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

NEFF, JANET T., of Michigan, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Michigan, vice David W. McKeague, elevated.

Mar. 19, 2007—Referred.

May 10, 2007—Full Committee Hearing.

May 24, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

May 24, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

July 09, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

NOVAK, DAVID J., of Virginia, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia, vice Robert E. Payne, retired.
 Nov. 15, 2007—Referred.
 Apr. 03, 2008—Full Committee Hearing.
 Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

O'CONNOR, REED CHARLES, of Texas, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas, vice A. Joe Fish, retiring.
 June 27, 2007—Referred.
 Oct. 24, 2007—Full Committee Hearing.
 Nov. 15, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 Nov. 15, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Nov. 16, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

O'GRADY, LIAM, of Virginia, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia, vice Claude M. Hilton, retired.
 Jan. 09, 2007—Referred.
 May 10, 2007—Full Committee Hearing.
 May 24, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 May 24, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 July 09, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

O'NEILL, LAWRENCE JOSEPH, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of California, vice Oliver W. Wanger, retired.
 Jan. 09, 2007—Referred.
 Jan. 25, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 Jan. 29, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Feb. 01, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

O'NEILL, MICHAEL, of Maryland, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia, vice Gladys Kessler, retired.
 June 19, 2008—Referred.
 Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

OSTEEN, JR., WILLIAM LINDSAY, of North Carolina, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of North Carolina, vice William L. Osteen, Sr., retired.
 Jan. 09, 2007—Referred.
 June 20, 2007—Full Committee Hearing.
 July 19, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 July 24, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Sept. 10, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

OZERDEN, HALIL SULEYMAN, of Mississippi, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Mississippi, vice David C. Bramlette, retired.
 Jan. 09, 2007—Referred.
 Mar. 13, 2007—Full Committee Hearing.
 Apr. 12, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 Apr. 12, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Apr. 24, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

POWELL, WILLIAM J., of West Virginia, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of West Virginia, vice W. Craig Broadwater, deceased.
 May 24, 2007—Referred.
 Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

PURYEAR IV, GUSTAVUS ADOLPHUS, of Tennessee, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Tennessee, vice Robert L. Echols, retired.
 June 13, 2007—Referred.
 Feb. 12, 2008—Full Committee Hearing.
 Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

REIDINGER, MARTIN KARL, of North Carolina, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of North Carolina, vice Graham C. Mullen, retired.
 Jan. 09, 2007—Referred.
 June 20, 2007—Full Committee Hearing.
 July 19, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 July 24, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Sept. 10, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

ROGAN, JAMES EDWARD, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, vice Nora M. Manella, resigned.
 Jan. 09, 2007—Referred.

Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

ROSEN, JEFFREY ADAM, of Virginia, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia, vice Thomas F. Hogan, retired.
June 19, 2008—Referred.
Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

SAMMARTINO, JANIS LYNN, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of California, vice Judith Nelsen Keep, deceased.
Mar. 19, 2007—Referred.
June 20, 2007—Full Committee Hearing.
July 19, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
July 24, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
Sept. 10, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

SCHROEDER, THOMAS D., of North Carolina, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of North Carolina, vice Frank W. Bullock, Jr., retired.
Jan. 09, 2007—Referred.
Oct. 24, 2007—Full Committee Hearing.
Nov. 15, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
Nov. 27, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
Dec. 14, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

SCRIVEN, MARY STENSON, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida, vice Patricia C. Fawsett, retiring.
July 10, 2008—Referred.
Sept. 09, 2008—Full Committee Hearing.
Sept. 25, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
Sept. 25, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
Sept. 26, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

SEIBEL, CATHY, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, vice Richard Conway Casey, deceased.
Mar. 11, 2008—Referred.
June 11, 2008—Full Committee Hearing.
June 26, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
July 07, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
July 22, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

SETTLE, BENJAMIN HALE, of Washington, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Washington, vice Franklin D. Burgess, retired.
Jan. 09, 2007—Referred.
Mar. 13, 2007—Full Committee Hearing.
Apr. 25, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
Apr. 25, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
June 28, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

SHORT, CAROLYN P., of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, vice Paul S. Diamond, upon elevation.
July 24, 2008—Referred.
Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

SLOMSKY, JOEL H., of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, vice James T. Giles, retired.
July 24, 2008—Referred.
Sept. 23, 2008—Full Committee Hearing.
Sept. 25, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
Sept. 25, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
Sept. 26, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

SNOW, G. MURRAY, of Arizona, to be United States District Judge for the District of Arizona, vice Stephen M. McNamee, retired.
Dec. 11, 2007—Referred.
May 01, 2008—Full Committee Hearing.
May 22, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
June 02, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
June 26, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

SUDDABY, GLENN T., of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of New York, vice Lawrence E. Kahn, retired.
Dec. 11, 2007—Referred.
June 11, 2008—Full Committee Hearing.
June 26, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

July 07, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 July 22, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

SULLIVAN, RICHARD, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, vice Michael B. Mukasey, retired.
 Feb. 15, 2007—Referred.
 Apr. 11, 2007—Full Committee Hearing.
 May 03, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 May 03, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 June 28, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

THAPAR, AMUL R., of Kentucky, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Kentucky, vice Joseph M. Hood, retiring.
 May 24, 2007—Referred.
 Oct. 24, 2007—Full Committee Hearing.
 Nov. 15, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 Nov. 15, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Dec. 13, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

THARP, JR., JOHN J., of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, vice Mark R. Filip, resigned.
 July 31, 2008—Referred.
 Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

TRENGA, ANTHONY JOHN, of Virginia, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia, vice Walter D. Kelley, Jr., resigned.
 July 17, 2008—Referred.
 Sept. 23, 2008—Full Committee Hearing.
 Sept. 25, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 Sept. 25, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Sept. 26, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

VAN BOKKELEN, JOSEPH S., of Indiana, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Indiana, vice Rudy Lozano, retiring.
 Jan. 09, 2007—Referred.
 Apr. 11, 2007—Full Committee Hearing.
 May 03, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 May 03, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 June 28, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

WADDOUPS, CLARK, of Utah, to be United States District Judge for the District of Utah, vice Paul G. Cassell, resigned.
 Apr. 29, 2008—Referred.
 Sept. 09, 2008—Full Committee Hearing.
 Sept. 25, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 Sept. 25, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Sept. 26, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

WOOD, LISA GODBEY, of Georgia, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Georgia, vice Dudley H. Bowen, Jr., retired.
 Jan. 09, 2007—Referred.
 Jan. 25, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 Jan. 29, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Jan. 30, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

WRIGHT II, OTIS D., of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, vice Gary L. Taylor, retired.
 Jan. 09, 2007—Referred.
 Feb. 06, 2007—Full Committee Hearing.
 Mar. 01, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 Mar. 01, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Mar. 15, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

WU, GEORGE H., of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, vice Ronald S. W. Lew, retired.
 Jan. 09, 2007—Referred.
 Feb. 06, 2007—Full Committee Hearing.
 Mar. 01, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 Mar. 01, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Mar. 27, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

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BECKER, GRACE C., of New York, to be an Assistant Attorney General, vice Wan J. Kim.

Nov. 15, 2007—Referred.

Mar. 11, 2008—Full Committee Hearing.

Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

BRADBURY, STEVEN G., of Maryland, to be an Assistant Attorney General, vice Jack Landman Goldsmith III, resigned.

Jan. 09, 2007—Referred.

Dec. 31, 2007—Returned to the President.

Jan. 23, 2008—Referred.

Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

COOK, ELISEBETH C., of Virginia, to be an Assistant Attorney General, vice Rachel Brand.

Jan. 30, 2008—Referred.

Apr. 03, 2008—Full Committee Hearing.

May 22, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

May 22, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

June 04, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

DYER, CYNTHIA, of Texas, to be Director of the Violence Against Women Office, Department of Justice, vice Diane M. Stuart, resigned.

Aug. 02, 2007—Referred.

Dec. 18, 2007—Full Committee Hearing.

Dec. 19, 2007—Senate Committee on the Judiciary discharged Unanimous Consent.

Dec. 19, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

FILIP, MARK R., of Illinois, to be Deputy Attorney General, vice Paul J. McNulty, resigned.

Dec. 05, 2007—Referred.

Dec. 19, 2007—Full Committee Hearing.

Jan. 31, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

Jan. 31, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

Mar. 03, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

FRIEDRICH, MATTHEW W., of Texas, to be an Assistant Attorney General, vice Alice S. Fisher, resigned.

Dec. 11, 2008—Referred.

Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

GARRE, GREGORY G., of Maryland, to be Solicitor General of the United States, vice Paul D. Clement, resigned.

June 19, 2008—Referred.

Sept. 09, 2008—Full Committee Hearing.

Sept. 25, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

Sept. 25, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

Oct. 02, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

HAGY, DAVID W., of Texas, to be Director of the National Institute of Justice, vice Sarah V. Hart, resigned.

June 05, 2007—Referred.

Dec. 18, 2007—Full Committee Hearing.

Jan. 31, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

Jan. 31, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

Mar. 13, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

HARRIS, ONDRAY T., of Virginia, to be Director, Community Relations Service, for a term of four years, vice Sharee M. Freeman.

May 23, 2007—Referred.

Dec. 18, 2007—Full Committee Hearing.

Jan. 31, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

Jan. 31, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

Mar. 13, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

HOCHMAN, NATHAN J., of California, to be an Assistant Attorney General, vice Eileen J. O'Connor.

Nov. 15, 2007—Referred.

Dec. 18, 2007—Full Committee Hearing.

Dec. 19, 2007—Senate Committee on the Judiciary discharged Unanimous Consent.

Dec. 19, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

KATSAS, GREGORY G., of Massachusetts, to be an Assistant Attorney General, vice Peter D. Keisler, resigned.
 Dec. 11, 2007—Referred.
 Mar. 06, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 Mar. 06, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 June 27, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

LEONHART, MICHELE M., of California, to be Administrator of Drug Enforcement, vice Karen P. Tandy, resigned.
 Apr. 15, 2008—Referred.
 Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

MERCER, WILLIAM W., of Montana, to be Associate Attorney General, vice Robert D. McCallum, Jr.
 Jan. 09, 2007—Referred.
 June 25, 2007—Nomination was withdrawn.

MUKASEY, MICHAEL B., of New York, to be Attorney General, vice Alberto R. Gonzales, resigned.
 Sept. 21, 2007—Referred.
 Oct. 17, 2007—Full Committee Hearing.
 Oct. 18, 2007—Hearings held and concluded.
 Nov. 06, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 Nov. 06, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Nov. 08, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

O'CONNOR, KEVIN J., of Connecticut, to be Associate Attorney General, vice Robert D. McCallum, Jr.
 Dec. 11, 2007—Referred.
 Mar. 06, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 Mar. 06, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Apr. 01, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

ROWAN, J. PATRICK, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Attorney General, vice Kenneth L. Wainstein.
 June 19, 2008—Referred.
 July 23, 2008—Full Committee Hearing.
 Sept. 11, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 Sept. 11, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Sept. 11, 2008—Referred sequentially to the Select Committee on Intelligence.
 Sept. 25, 2008—Select Committee on Intelligence. Full Committee Hearing.
 Sept. 26, 2008—Senate Select Committee on Intelligence discharged by Unanimous Consent.
 Sept. 26, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

SEDGWICK, JEFFREY LEIGH, of Massachusetts, to be an Assistant Attorney General, vice Regina B. Schofield, resigned.
 Apr. 23, 2008—Referred.
 July 23, 2008—Full Committee Hearing.
 Sept. 11, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 Sept. 11, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Oct. 02, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

SHEN, PATRICK P., of Maryland, to be Special Counsel for Immigration-Related Unfair Employment Practices for a term of four years, vice William Sanchez, resigned.
 Jan. 18, 2007—Referred.
 Sept. 20, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 Sept. 20, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Oct. 04, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

SULLIVAN, MICHAEL J., of Massachusetts, to be Director, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives. (New Position)
 Mar. 22, 2007—Referred.
 Sept. 26, 2007—Full Committee Hearing.
 Nov. 08, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 Nov. 08, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

TENPAS, RONALD JAY, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Attorney General, vice Sue Ellen Wooldridge.
 June 04, 2007—Referred.

Oct. 24, 2007—Full Committee Hearing.
 Dec. 06, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 Dec. 06, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Dec. 13, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

U.S. ATTORNEYS

ALBRITTON, A. BRIAN, of Florida, to be United States Attorney for the Middle District of Florida for the term of four years, vice Paul I. Perez, resigned.
 July 15, 2008—Referred.
 Sept. 25, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 Sept. 25, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Oct. 02, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

BOOTH, JR., EDMUND A., of Georgia, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of Georgia for the term of four years, vice Lisa Godbey Wood, resigned.
 Nov. 15, 2007—Referred.
 Dec. 06, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 Dec. 06, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Dec. 13, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

BROWER, GREGORY A., of Nevada, to be United States Attorney for the District of Nevada for the term of four years, vice Daniel G. Bogden, resigned.
 Nov. 15, 2007—Referred.
 Dec. 06, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 Dec. 06, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Dec. 13, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

CAMPBELL, BENTON J., of New Jersey, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of New York for the term of four years, vice Roslynn R. Mauskopf, resigned.
 July 15, 2008—Referred.
 Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

CONSIDINE, MICHAEL G., of Connecticut, to be United States Attorney for the District of Connecticut for the term of four years, vice Kevin J. O'Connor, resigned.
 July 15, 2008—Referred.
 Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

DEDRICK, JAMES RUSSELL, of Tennessee, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Tennessee for the term of four years, vice Harry Sandlin Mattice, Jr., resigned.
 Apr. 30, 2007—Referred.
 Sept. 27, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 Sept. 27, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Oct. 04, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

DUMMERMUTH, MATT MICHAEL, of Iowa, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Iowa for the term of four years, vice Charles W. Larson, Sr., resigned.
 Dec. 14, 2007—Referred.
 Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

GREGORY, REBECCA A., of Texas, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Texas for the term of four years, vice Matthew D. Orwig, resigned.
 Nov. 15, 2007—Referred.
 Apr. 03, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 Apr. 03, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Apr. 29, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

HUMETEWA, DIANE J., of Arizona, to be United States Attorney for the District of Arizona for the term of four years, vice Paul K. Charlton, resigned.
 Nov. 15, 2007—Referred.
 Dec. 06, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 Dec. 06, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Dec. 13, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

O'BRIEN, THOMAS P., of California, to be United States Attorney for the Central District of California for the term of four years, vice Debra W. Yang, resigned.
 July 12, 2007—Referred.
 Oct. 04, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

Oct. 04, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Oct. 04, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

RANKIN, KELLY HARRISON, of Wyoming, to be United States Attorney for the District of Wyoming for the term of four years, vice Matthew Hansen Mead, resigned.

Apr. 17, 2008—Referred.

June 26, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

June 26, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

June 27, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

RUSSONIELLO, JOSEPH P., of California, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of California for the term of four years, vice Kevin Vincent Ryan.

Nov. 15, 2007—Referred.

Dec. 19, 2007—Senate Committee on the Judiciary discharged Unanimous Consent.

Dec. 19, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

RODRIGUEZ-VELEZ, ROSA EMILIA, of Puerto Rico, to be United States Attorney for the District of Puerto Rico for the term of four years, vice Humberto S. Garcia, resigned.

Jan. 16, 2007—Referred.

Aug. 02, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

Aug. 03, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

STECHEER, JOE W., of Nebraska, to be United States Attorney for the District of Nebraska for the term of four years, vice Michael G. Heavican, term expired.

Apr. 30, 2007—Referred.

July 19, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

July 24, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

Aug. 01, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

TAYLOR, JEFFREY A., of the District of Columbia, to be United States Attorney for the District of Columbia for the term of four years, vice Kenneth L. Wainstein, resigned.

Feb. 27, 2007—Referred.

Sept. 15, 2008—Nomination was withdrawn.

WILKINS, III, WILLIAM WALTER, of South Carolina, to be United States Attorney for the District of South Carolina for the term of four years, vice Reginald I. Lloyd, resigned.

May 07, 2008—Referred.

May 22, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

May 22, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

June 04, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

WOOD, JOHN, of Missouri, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri for the term of four years, vice Todd Peterson Graves, resigned.

Jan. 16, 2007—Referred.

Mar. 15, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

Mar. 19, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

Mar. 29, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

YARBROUGH, EDWARD MEACHAM, of Tennessee, to be United States Attorney for the Middle District of Tennessee for the term of four years, vice James K. Vines, resigned.

July 12, 2007—Referred.

Oct. 04, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

Oct. 04, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

Oct. 04, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

BURNS, SCOTT M., of Utah, to be Deputy Director of National Drug Control Policy, vice Mary Ann Solberg, resigned.

June 27, 2007—Referred.

Dec. 18, 2007—Full Committee Hearing.

Dec. 19, 2007—Senate Committee on the Judiciary discharged Unanimous Consent.

Dec. 19, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

MURTAUGH, DAVID REID, of Indiana, to be Deputy Director for State, Local, and Tribal Affairs, Office of National Drug Control Policy, vice Scott M. Burns.

July 15, 2008—Referred.

Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

MYERS, JULIE L., of Kansas, to be Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security, vice Michael J. Garcia.

Jan. 09, 2007—Referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

Sept. 12, 2007—Full Committee Hearing.

Sept. 26, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

Sept. 26, 2007—Reported by Mr. Lieberman.

Sept. 27, 2007—Referred sequentially to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Nov. 01, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

Nov. 01, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

Dec. 19, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

O'GARA, JAMES F. X., of Pennsylvania, to be Deputy Director for Supply Reduction, Office of National Drug Control Policy, vice Barry D. Crane.

Jan. 09, 2007—Referred.

Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

SCHARFEN, JONATHAN R., of Virginia, to be Director of the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security, vice Emilio T. Gonzalez.

Oct. 01, 2008—Referred.

Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

U.S. MARSHALS SERVICE

COOK, JR., CLYDE R., of North Carolina, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of North Carolina for the term of four years, vice Charles R. Reavis.

Feb. 05, 2008—Referred.

June 26, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

June 26, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

June 27, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

CREDO, MICHAEL DAVID, of Louisiana, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of Louisiana for the term of four years, vice Theophile Alceste Duroncelet, resigned.

Jan. 16, 2007—Referred.

Sept. 06, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

Sept. 06, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

Sept. 11, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

HACKMAN, JOHN ROBERTS, of Virginia, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of Virginia for the term of four years, vice John Francis Clark.

Jan. 11, 2007—Referred.

Apr. 25, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

Apr. 25, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

Apr. 26, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

HAWE, WILLIAM JOSEPH, of Washington, to be United States Marshal for the Western District of Washington for the term of four years, vice Eric Eugene Robertson, resigned.

Nov. 15, 2007—Referred.

Mar. 06, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

Mar. 06, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

Mar. 13, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

HILLMAN, REED VERNE, of Massachusetts, to be United States Marshal for the District of Massachusetts for the term of four years, vice Anthony Dichio.

June 28, 2007—Referred.

Aug. 03, 2007—Returned to the President.

Nov. 15, 2007—Rereferred.

Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

HOWARD, JR., ROBERT GIDEON, of Arkansas, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of Arkansas for the term of four years, vice Ray Elmer Carnahan, resigned.

Jan. 16, 2007—Referred.

Apr. 25, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

Apr. 25, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

Apr. 26, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

KLEIN, DENNIS MICHAEL, of Kentucky, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of Kentucky for the term of four years, vice John Schickel, resigned.

June 03, 2008—Referred.

Oct. 02, 2008—Senate Committee on the Judiciary discharged by Unanimous Consent.

Oct. 02, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

McGINN, MICHAEL G., of Minnesota, to be United States Marshal for the District of Minnesota for the term of four years, vice Allen Garber, retired.

Nov. 15, 2007—Referred.

Apr. 24, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

Apr. 24, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

May 20, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

SOTO III, ESTEBAN, of Maryland, to be United States Marshal for the District of Puerto Rico for the term of four years, vice Herman Wirshing Rodriguez, term expired.

Apr. 30, 2007—Referred.

Sept. 06, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

Sept. 06, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

Sept. 11, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

VENABLES, GEORGE W., of California, to be United States Marshal for the Southern District of California for the term of four years, vice Raul David Bejarano.

Dec. 06, 2007—Referred.

Sept. 25, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

Sept. 25, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

Oct. 02, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

U.S. SENTENCING COMMISSION

CARR, JR., WILLIAM B., of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the United States Sentencing Commission for a term expiring Oct. 31, 2011, vice John R. Steer.

June 04, 2008—Referred.

July 23, 2008—Full Committee Hearing.

Sept. 11, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

Sept. 11, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

Nov. 20, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

FRIEDRICH, DABNEY LANGHORNE, of Virginia, to be a Member of the United States Sentencing Commission for the remainder of the term expiring Oct. 31, 2009, vice Michael O'Neill, to which position she was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Jan. 09, 2007—Referred.

Feb. 15, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.

Feb. 15, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.

Feb. 28, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

HINOJOSA, RICARDO H., of Texas, to be a Member of the United States Sentencing Commission for a term expiring Oct. 31, 2013. (Reappointment)

Dec. 06, 2007—Referred.

Nov. 20, 2008—Senate Committee on the Judiciary discharged by Unanimous Consent.

Nov. 20, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

HINOJOSA, RICARDO H., of Texas, to be Chair of the United States Sentencing Commission. (Reappointment)

Dec. 06, 2007—Referred.

Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

HOROWITZ, MICHAEL E., of Maryland, to be a Member of the United States Sentencing Commission for a term expiring Oct. 31, 2013. (Reappointment)

Dec. 06, 2007—Referred.

Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

HOWELL, BERYL A., of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the United States Sentencing Commission for a term expiring Oct. 31, 2011 (Reappointment), to which position she was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Jan. 09, 2007—Referred.

Feb. 15, 2007—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 Feb. 15, 2007—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 Feb. 28, 2007—Confirmed by the Senate.

U.S. PAROLE COMMISSION

SALLING, DORLA M., of Texas, to be a Commissioner of the United States Parole Commission for a term of six years, vice Deborah Ann Spagnoli, resigned.
 Jan. 22, 2008—Referred.
 Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

FOREIGN CLAIMS SETTLEMENT COMMISSION

MARTINEZ, RALPH E., of Florida, to be a Member of the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States for a term expiring Sept. 30, 2010, vice Laramie Faith McNamara.
 Feb. 06, 2008—Referred.
 Apr. 24, 2008—Approved by the Committee and ordered favorably reported.
 Apr. 24, 2008—Reported to the Senate by Mr. Leahy.
 May 20, 2008—Confirmed by the Senate.

PRIVACY AND CIVIL LIBERTIES OVERSIGHT BOARD

ROTUNDA, RONALD D., of Virginia, to be a Member of the Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board for a term of four years expiring Jan. 29, 2012. (New Position)
 Feb. 27, 2008—Referred.
 Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

SUTHERLAND, DANIEL W., of Virginia, to be Chairman of the Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board for a term of six years expiring Jan. 29, 2014. (New Position)
 Feb. 27, 2008—Referred.
 Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.

TAYLOR, FRANCIS X., of Maryland, to be a Member of the Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board for a term of two years expiring Jan. 29, 2010. (New Position)
 Feb. 27, 2008—Referred.
 Jan. 02, 2009—Returned to the President.