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Re: Margaret Plane – Nominee Utah Court of Appeals

Dear Mr. Howe,

I am writing in support of the Governor's nominee of Margaret Plane as a Judge for the Utah Court of Appeals. I have worked with Margaret numerous times over the years, and I have associated with her in the Inns of Court organization. I have been impressed with her intellect, fairness, maturity, and integrity in every interaction I have had with her. As a litigator who has practiced law for over 36 years and has been before many judges and other tribunals, I believe Margaret is more than capable to meet the challenge of being on the court. I recommend her without hesitation. I believe she will be a great asset to the citizens and courts of our great State.

If you would like any further information regarding my opinions and experience while working with Margaret, please do not hesitate to call me.

Sincerely yours,

Brent O. Hatch