LAW OFFICES

Patton and Patton

Joe Patton Cindy Patton Mike Patton CHARTERED BANK OF AMERICA TOWER 534 S KANSAS AVE., SUITE 1120 TOPEKA, KS 66603

(785) 273-4330 FAX (785) 354-1901

February 17, 2015

Senate Judiciary Committee Kansas Legislature Topeka, Kansas

Re: Kathryn Gardner

Dear Senators:

As you know, Kathryn Gardner has been nominated by the Governor to a position on the Kansas Court of Appeals. I am pleased to add my name to the many lawyers who recommend Kathryn for this position. I have known her and her family for years. Kathryn not only has an exceptional legal ability but also is a woman of high personal integrity. She is intelligent, kind, courteous, and compassionate.

For many years she has organized an annual Christian Legal Society event. For this event she invites a group of young law students to her home for dinner. This is an opportunity for law students to meet and get to know practicing lawyers. I have observed her interact with and assist these young students sharing with them her knowledge, wisdom, and common sense.

Her intelligence is exceptional and her ability in the law is of the highest caliber. She has had a distinguished career in the law which I am sure you will hear about from others. I can add personally that her love of the law is informed by high personal integrity and strength of character both of which will make her an excellent judge.

Sincerely,

Joe Patton Attorney at Law

Former State Representative

JP:fjp