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Mr. Chairman and Members of the Committee, I am deeply honored to come before this Committee as the nominee to be General Counsel of the Army. If confirmed, I will be proud to serve the Army, which has a long and distinguished history in the defense of our Country.

The Army faces many challenges, and these challenges will require that the General Counsel provide the Secretary of the Army and other Army leaders with prompt and accurate legal advice. If confirmed, my goal is to provide the

Secretary and others with the best—candid, objective and sound—legal and ethical advice possible. I also look forward to working with other lawyers in the Army to ensure the effective and efficient provision of legal services to our Army clients. Most importantly, I look forward to working with the dedicated and hardworking men and women of the Army in carrying out the Army's important mission in defense of our Nation.

Should I be confirmed, I look forward to working with this Committee in addressing any legal issues that may arise during my tenure. I appreciate the opportunity to appear today, and would be pleased to answer any questions.