OPENING STATEMENT OF TANYA M. JONES BOSIER Nominee to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia September 7, 2023

Good morning, Chairman Peters, Ranking Member Paul, and Members of the Committee. I am honored to appear before you today as you consider my nomination to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia. I would like to thank you and your staff for your dedication and diligence in preparing for this hearing. I would like to thank all the members of the District of Columbia Judicial Nomination Commission, especially its former Chair, the Honorable Emmet Sullivan, for recommending me to the White House. I am profoundly thankful to President Joseph R. Biden for nominating me. I wish to recognize Chief Judge Anita Josey-Herring, for her leadership and encouragement and former Chief Judge Robert Morin, who appointed me as a Magistrate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia in 2017.

I am here today as the recipient of unwavering guidance and support from my village of colleagues, family, and friends, many of whom are watching online. I would like to acknowledge my parents, Bernard and Yvette Jones, who are with me today. My parents have overcome unthinkable odds raising me when they were young adults. They worked tirelessly to satisfy my precocious curiosity about the world. They instilled the values of education, faith, hard work, and service. Without their steadfast support, I would not be here today. I would like to acknowledge my brother Paul Jones, sister Tamara Adams, brother-in-law Demarco Adams, nephew Aiden, and the newest addition to the family, my four-month-old niece, Riley Simone. Thank you to my extended family members in Florida, Georgia, Maryland, New York, Tennessee, Texas, and Virginia, as well as my friends here in the District of Columbia, for their confidence in me. I owe great gratitude to my colleagues on the Superior Court bench, especially the talented group of magistrate judges, for availing your time to me when I call.

I reserve special acknowledgement for my husband, Victor Bosier. For nearly 22 years, he has been the wind beneath my wings so that I can pursue a career in public service. His patience and understanding are unmatched. Thank you to my children, Victor James Bosier, a proud member of the United States Army, and Taylor Bosier, a junior at the University of Tampa. They are my greatest accomplishments and the sources of inspiration for everything that I do. It is a joy to watch them chart their own paths and answer the call to their destinies.

It is an honor and privilege to be considered for a position as an Associate Judge on the Court where I appeared over 23 years ago. While attending American University Washington College of Law, I served as a judicial intern for the Honorable Zoe A. Bush. While still a law student, I had the privilege of serving as a student attorney in the American University Washington College of Law's Domestic Violence Clinic representing and advocating for survivors of abuse before the Court. In my first job after graduating from law school, I returned to Judge Bush's chambers and served as her judicial law clerk. I was fortunate to witness first-hand the characteristics and level of dedication required to be an exemplary jurist. After my clerkship, I worked for the Office of Corporation Counsel, now named the Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia, and for the Department of Human Services. For 14 years, I served in various capacities, from attorney to section chief, representing the interest of the District where I developed a swath of knowledge in several areas of the law. I returned to the Court to serve as an Assistant Attorney General in its Office of General Counsel immediately

before my appointment to the bench. And, since 2017, I have been a Magistrate Judge on the Superior Court, serving in the Family, Civil, Criminal, Domestic Violence, and Probate Divisions, where I have presided over thousands of cases in some of our highest volume calendars.

I am a public servant. I have demonstrated my commitment to public service as I progressed through my career in the Court, from judicial intern to student attorney to law clerk to prosecutor to assistant attorney general to Magistrate Judge. And, if confirmed to be an Associate Judge, I will continue to diligently serve the community that I have been a part of for over 23 years. Superior Court is my legal home. I look forward to answering any questions you may have. Thank you.