

I wanted to share the below statement on the nomination of Neil Gorsuch to the United States Supreme Court from Gregory Garre, Global Chair of Latham & Watkins' Supreme Court & Appellate Practice and former Solicitor General of the United States:

“Neil Gorsuch is a brilliant judge and will be a great Justice. He is the rare person who not only has an exceptional intellect and impeccable credentials, but also is extremely humble and down-to-earth. He is a true ‘Judge's Judge’ -- devoted to faithfully applying the law no matter where it leads. His opinions are models for judicial craftsmanship and readability. He will bring to the Court a western perspective and sensibility that has been missing since Chief Justice Rehnquist and Justice O'Connor left the Court. He almost certainly has hiked more 14000 footers in Colorado than any other Justice. I had the privilege to serve with Judge Gorsuch in the Department of Justice, where he also distinguished himself and was a beloved and respected colleague throughout the Department. I could not be happier for him -- and the Court.”

#### **ABOUT GREGORY GARRE**

Gregory Garre is a partner in the Washington, D.C. office of Latham & Watkins and Global Chair of Latham's Supreme Court & Appellate Practice. He handles an array of complex litigation matters at all levels of the federal and state court systems and counsels clients on constitutional, regulatory and other matters. Recently named an “Appellate MVP” by *Law360*, he is widely considered one of the nation's top appellate advocates.

Mr. Garre served as the 44th Solicitor General of the United States (2008-2009), after being unanimously confirmed to the position by the US Senate. As Solicitor General, he was the federal government's top lawyer before the Supreme Court and was responsible for overseeing the government's litigation in the federal appellate courts. He also served as Principal Deputy Solicitor General (2005-2008) and as an Assistant to the Solicitor General (2000-2004). He is the only person to have held all of those positions within the Office of the Solicitor General.

Mr. Garre has argued 41 cases before the Supreme Court and has briefed and served as counsel of record in hundreds of additional cases before the Court. His successful arguments include *Fisher v. University of Texas*, *Ashcroft v. Iqbal*, *United States v. Home Concrete & Supply LLC*, *Maples v. Thomas*, *Monsanto v. Geerston Seed Farm*, *Christian Legal Society v. Martinez*, *FCC v. Fox Television Stations, Inc.*, *Winter v. Natural Resources Defense Council, Inc.*, *Baze v. Rees*, *Johanns v. Livestock Marketing Association* and *Dastar Corp. v. Twentieth Century Fox Film Corp.*