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Dear State Committee Member:

I hope you had a nice holiday season with family and friends. I am writing to ask you for your support of my candidacy as a judge on the Superior Court.

As a former state committee member who served our party in my county, I understand and appreciate the importance of electing qualified candidates to our appellate courts. Opinions issued by our appellate courts have far-reaching impact on each of our lives.

I am uniquely qualified to serve on the Superior Court. I have many years of experience in both the government and private sectors. I served as an assistant district attorney in two counties. I have also served as a hearing examiner for the Commonwealth. In that role, I issued hundreds of decisions. The analytical and writing skills I used as a hearing examiner to issue decisions apply to writing appellate court opinions as a judge on the Superior Court.

While this letter may be our first contact, I plan on calling and visiting every state committee member to discuss my qualifications, my dedication, and my extensive party involvement. I humbly ask you to keep an open mind as to who you may select as your candidate for Superior Court and allow me the opportunity to share my candidacy with you on a more personal level.

Attached with this letter is a short bio and an article about me as a hearing examiner. I can be reached via email at battistaforjudge@gmail.com or by cell at 814-221-3028.

Thank you very much for the work you do for our party, especially during this judicial process of screening candidates.

I would greatly appreciate your consideration.

Very respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Maria Battista', written in a cursive style.

Maria Battista