



## **Catholic Advisory Group Praises Judge Gorsuch as Supreme Court Nominee**

The Catholic Advisory Group, which provided advisory support to the Trump/Pence campaign on issues of greatest importance to Catholics, issued the following statement regarding President Trump's nomination of Judge Neil Gorsuch of the Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals to serve on the United States Supreme Court:

***President Trump has made an extraordinary choice in nominating Judge Neil Gorsuch to the United States Supreme Court.***

***During the presidential campaign, the Catholic Advisory Group highlighted Supreme Court nominations as one of the issues of greatest importance to Catholics. Ultimately, this particular issue was a determining factor in President Trump's winning a solid majority of support among Catholics who were seeking a worthy successor to the late Justice Antonin Scalia. We could not have asked for a better selection for our nation's highest court than Judge Gorsuch.***

***During his distinguished career on the bench, Judge Gorsuch exhibited his fidelity to the Constitution and the rule of law. His rulings in the Little Sisters of the Poor and Hobby Lobby cases upheld the right to religious liberty for all Americans enshrined in the First Amendment. Judge Gorsuch demonstrated his commitment to defending the right to life through his strong dissent in a case in which the Tenth Circuit ruled in favor of Planned Parenthood, preventing the Governor of Utah from defunding the organization's abortion funding following the revelation of their business of selling aborted fetal organs.***

***We look forward to Judge Gorsuch's confirmation hearings, which will allow the American people to witness firsthand his keen intellect, judicial temperament, and distinguished legal and judicial career. And we look forward to him taking his place on the Court as the able and appropriate replacement for the great Justice Scalia.***

***And we are grateful President Trump kept his promise to nominate someone "in the mold of Justice Scalia".***