



September 26, 2018

The Honorable Cory S. Gardner
United States Senate
354 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Gardner,

The Colorado Women's Bar Association is an organization of over 1,200 Colorado attorneys, judges, legal professionals, and law students dedicated to promoting women in the legal profession and the interests of women generally.

The CWBA is dismayed at the current treatment of the sexual allegations against Judge Brett Kavanaugh. These allegations raise serious questions about his fitness for a lifetime appointment to the federal bench. A Supreme Court justice holds a position of public trust. It is highly inappropriate to leave the investigation of the serious accusations made by Dr. Ford and others to a partisan hearing or to proceed with confirmation of a Justice based on such a hearing. This approach will undermine the confidence of the people in their Court, as well as in the process of appointment.

The CWBA firmly believes that a proper, independent investigation of the allegations against Judge Kavanaugh must be conducted prior to a confirmation vote, and that the women who testify before the Committee should be treated with respect.

Sincerely,

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CWBA President, 2018-2019