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Dear Judge, Kyle, and Courtney:

I'm still very much settling in here (as you can see, no stationery yet!), but I wanted to take a moment to express my heartfelt gratitude to you for the many kindnesses you have shown me. You've given me two tremendous opportunities to serve, first working at the Department and for the President, an experience I will always cherish and recall as a highlight of my professional life, and now an opportunity to return to serve the people of the West that I love. I am not sure I will ever be able to say thank you adequately, but I very much hope to prove worthy of the trust and responsibility you've reposed in me.

As you know, I deeply admire the work you are doing to keep the American people safe and a significant part of me misses being a part of your team in that effort. If ever I can be of any help, please do let me know. And please do let me know if and when your travels take you through Denver. I very much hope our paths cross soon and often over the years, and I am

delighted and honored that the Judge will be able to make my investiture on November 20; I look forward to seeing you then.

With all my thanks and warmest regards,

Neil M. Gorsuch