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Senator Joe Manchin 306 Hart Senate Office Building Washington DC, 20510

Re: Nomination PN30; Jeff Sessions; Attorney General – Shame on You!

Dear Joe:

DAVID C. RANKIN †‡

When your country needed you – you failed to rise to the occasion. You failed to stand with the people and vote NO against the Sessions nomination. When history looks back on the destruction of voting rights in this country and they look at the enabling vote, history will show:

Manchin (D-WV), Yea

You are the reason many view the Democratic Party as weak and impotent. Because when the time comes for the party to stand together on important issues and stand up to republican overreach, there are always a couple of members without the backbone necessary to stand with their colleagues and stand up for the people.

I pray, for the sake of our democracy, you grow the necessary backbone before the Neil Gorsuch vote.

Very truly yours,

David C. Rankin, J.D., P.E.