



**COLORADO HISPANIC BAR ASSOCIATION**  
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April 25, 2008

**Via Hand Delivery**

The Honorable Bill Ritter, Jr.  
136 State Capitol Building  
Denver, Colorado 80203

***Re: Endorsement of Gale T. Miller for the Colorado Court of Appeals***

Dear Governor Ritter:

It is with the support of the Colorado Hispanic Bar Association (“CHBA”) that I write to endorse Gale T. Miller for the Colorado Court of Appeals. Our due diligence process before endorsing a candidate for the bench typically involves reviewing the candidate’s judicial application by members of the CHBA’s Nominations and Endorsements Committee; contacting and interviewing the references identified in the candidate’s judicial application; identifying, contacting and interviewing CHBA members who know the work of the judicial candidate; and, often, conducting a personal interview of the candidate.

Mr. Miller would bring a wealth of experience to the Colorado Court of Appeals. He has practiced law for over thirty years, beginning in 1971 as a trial attorney for the Federal Trade Commission, and then as a litigator with Davis Graham & Stubbs LLP where he has practiced since 1973. Mr. Miller’s practice is primarily comprised of complex commercial litigation including antitrust, natural resources, and election law. His colleagues and peers have praised him for his legal craftsmanship and command of complicated legal analysis.

Mr. Miller has a reputation of integrity befitting a Court of Appeals judge. His colleagues have all expressed similar sentiments about his experience and personal qualities. Mr. Miller is well known in the legal community as a person who possesses great knowledge of the law, is fair-minded, ethical, and treats all people with the utmost dignity and respect. These attributes and skills would serve him well as a Court of Appeals judge.

Mr. Miller not only is an accomplished litigator, but is also profoundly dedicated to serving both his profession and the community at-large through his *pro bono* activities, and service to various bar associations and committees. Of particular note was his representation of a group of Colorado Hispanic voters in a voting rights case. Mr. Miller's efforts resulted in the creation of a Hispanic majority legislative district in Colorado's San Luis Valley. In recognition of this accomplishment, the CHBA honored Mr. Miller in 1996 with the CHBA Community Service Award.

The CHBA has received an outpouring of support for Mr. Miller's endorsement, and it is with this that we respectfully recommend that you appoint him to the Colorado Court of Appeals. Should you have any questions, please contact me at 303-290-1600. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jose A Ramirez". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

José A. Ramirez  
President, Colorado Hispanic Bar Association

cc: Trey Rogers  
Gale T. Miller