Senate Confirms Next OVW Director:
Judge Susan Carbon!

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National Network to End Domestic Violence Welcomes Confirmation of Judge Carbon for Key Department of Justice Post

Washington, D.C. - The National Network to End Domestic Violence today applauded the U.S. Senate for confirming the White House's nominee, Judge Susan Carbon, as the next director of the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) in the U.S. Department of Justice.

"The U.S. Senate did the right thing by confirming Judge Carbon to be the next director of the Office on Violence Against Women," said Sue Else, president of the National Network to End Domestic Violence. "On behalf of the millions who suffer from violence and those who serve them, we welcome Judge Carbon to her new position.

"Judge Carbon is well-known as a true champion for survivors of domestic and sexual violence," Else continued. "She is an outstanding role model who thoroughly understands the complex issues around abuse. In her new position, she will continue to be one of our greatest partners in the movement to end violence against women."

The National Network works closely with OVW in its efforts to end domestic violence, sexual assault, teen dating violence and stalking.

"Acting Director Catherine Pierce led the office with distinction. Judge Carbon will build upon a solid foundation and continue this life-saving work," said Else.

Violence against women is pervasive throughout the United States. One in four women will experience domestic violence at some point in their lives. On average, three women are killed every day at the hands of a current or former intimate partner.

"We could not be happier to have such a dedicated leader as Judge Carbon to help create a society where violence against women is not tolerated and perpetrators are held accountable," said Else.

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NNEDV, a 501(c)(3) organization, is a leading voice for domestic violence victims and their allies. Its members include the 56 state and territorial coalitions against domestic violence. It works closely with them to understand the needs of domestic violence victims and advocacy programs. NNEDV has been a premiere national organization advancing the movement against domestic violence for the past 15 years, after leading efforts among domestic violence advocates and survivors in urging Congress to pass the landmark Violence Against Women Act of 1994. To learn more about NNEDV, please visit www.nnedv.org.