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**NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN LAWYERS FINDS SOLICITOR
GENERAL ELENA KAGAN TO BE "WELL-QUALIFIED" FOR THE POSITION
OF ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT**

Chicago, June 23, 2010 -- The National Association of Women Lawyers ("NAWL") announced today that its Committee for the Evaluation of Supreme Court Nominees has found Solicitor General Elena Kagan to be "well-qualified" for the position of Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court. The NAWL Committee reviewed all of General Kagan's published writings and all of her other writings made publicly available as of the date of this press release. Members of the Committee also conducted personal interviews of many people who have worked closely with her during her professional legal career. Based on this extensive review, the Committee is confident that General Kagan possesses the requisite intellectual and analytic talent, judicial temperament, and professional demeanor to serve on the highest court in the land. The NAWL Committee is equally confident that she will approach cases and controversies with a mind that is open to all perspectives and with an appreciation of the professional and societal difficulties encountered by women and minorities. For these reasons, the NAWL Committee concludes that General Kagan is "well-qualified" to serve as Associate Justice, which is the highest recommendation that the Committee is authorized to confer upon a nominee.

Solicitor General Kagan has enjoyed a distinguished career as a lawyer, constitutional scholar, law professor, academic administrator, and public servant. In recognition of General Kagan's many achievements, NAWL presented her with its highest recognition - the Arabella Babb Mansfield Award - at its Annual Meeting in 2008.

NAWL is the leading national voluntary organization devoted to the interests of women lawyers and women's rights. Founded more than 100 years ago, NAWL has members in all 50 states and engages in a variety of programs and activities to advance its mission.

Members of the NAWL Committee for the Evaluation of Supreme Court Nominees are appointed by the President of NAWL and include a distinguished array of law professors, appellate practitioners, and lawyers concentrating in litigation, with diverse backgrounds from across the country and who work in a variety of professional settings. The Committee independently reviews and evaluates the qualifications of each Presidential nominee to the United States Supreme Court with an emphasis on laws and decisions regarding women's rights and those that have a special impact on women. After completing its review and deliberation, the Committee issues an evaluation consisting of a conclusion as to whether the nominee is "well-qualified," "qualified," or "not qualified." A copy of the Committee's Mission and Procedures and its previous statements about nominees to the United States Supreme Court may be found at www.nawl.org.

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