

Senator Pat Roberts
Ranking Member – Senate Rules and Administration Committee
Statement for Election Assistance Commission Nominees
Confirmation Hearing
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Thank you Mr. Chairman.

I appreciate your willingness to call this hearing to move these nominees forward.

I want to thank the nominees for being here today and for their willingness to serve.

They are both extremely well qualified and very capable.

Their experience will be a great benefit to the Commission and I am glad they have accepted this challenge.

As you know, there is an ongoing debate about the future of the Election Assistance Commission (EAC). While I expect that debate to continue, we can agree that as long as the EAC exists, it must operate in a bi-partisan fashion.

Confirmation of these two nominees along with the others that have previously been reported by the Committee will maintain the necessary statutory balance at the Commission.

I look forward to the testimony of the witnesses and thank them again for being here today.