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### **Reserve Officers Association concerned with Kagan nomination for Solicitor General.**

WASHINGTON – The Reserve Officers Association of the United States has expressed concern over the nomination of Harvard Law School Dean Elena Kagan as Solicitor General of the United States because of her previous support for an effort to undermine the Federal law that allows military recruiting on college campuses.

Dean Kagan submitted a “friend of the court” brief to the Supreme Court in 2006 challenging the Solomon Amendment, which requires universities that receive federal funding to cooperate with military recruiters on campus. Her brief challenged the validity of the Solomon Amendment. The Supreme Court unanimously rejected her argument.

“Since the Solicitor General supervises and conducts all litigation on behalf of the United States in the Supreme Court, it is vitally important to know Dean Kagan’s current view on issues of military recruiting and training on the nation’s college campuses,” said Lt. Gen. Dennis M. McCarthy, ROA’s Executive Director.

ROA supports the Solomon (10 U.S.C. § 983(b)(1)), and Pombo (10 U.S.C. § 983(a)) Amendments, which are intended to ensure access to military recruiters and to provide for robust and effective Reserve Officer Training Corps programs.

The Reserve Officers Association is the professional association for all uniformed services of the United States. Chartered by Congress and in existence since 1922, ROA advises and educates the Congress, the President and the American people on issues of national security, with unique expertise on Reserve issues. ROA advocates for adequate funding of equipment and training requirements, recruiting and retention incentives, and employment rights for all members of the Reserve.

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