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Bryant G. Garth, dean of the IU-Bloomington Law School, has added his support to a letter opposing Judge Robert H. Bork's nomination to the United States Supreme Court.

Garth said he telephoned People for the American Way, the organization circulating the letter, to give his permission for the use of his name, along with other law educators.

The letter is not a personal attack on Bork, Garth said, but asserts that Bork's judicial thinking is too far out of the mainstream.

The statement Garth signed is one of several that

have circulated in the first days of Senate confirmation hearings for Bork.

People for the American Way is interested in constitutional issues.

Lawyers and deans from many other law schools, including those at Harvard and New York University, also signed a different statement opposing Bork's nomination, according to a *New York Times* report.

Substantial debate has erupted among legal scholars and special interest groups over Bork's judicial philosophy and positions, including his views on civil rights and the Supreme Court's 1973 decision prohibiting states from outlawing abortion.