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THE PRESIDENT

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Good afternoon. I'm very pleased to welcome my judicial nominees to the White House, and pleased to welcome so many of their families and friends. |
This is a proud moment for all of you,
and it is a proud moment for me.

A President has few greater responsibilities than that of nominating men and women to the courts of the United States. A federal judge holds a position of great influence and respect, and can hold it for a lifetime. When a President chooses a judge, he is placing in human hands the full authority and majesty of the law.

He owes it to the Constitution and to the country to choose with care.

I have done so. | With me this
afternoon are my first eleven judicial
nominees, individuals of experience and
character.

Four of them ~~already~~ serve as United States district judges – all four confirmed by unanimous vote ~~and are well-suited for elevation to the courts of appeals.~~ Two others are sitting judges on state supreme courts. Four have served as law clerks in the Supreme Court of the United States. One has served here, as an associate counsel to the President.

One already holds the position for which
I nominate him, by recess appointment
of President Clinton.

These men and women have
followed different paths to this
nomination. They come from diverse
backgrounds and will bring a wide range
of experience to the bench. ~~ABC~~

~~well suited for~~

All have sterling credentials, and have met high standards of legal training, temperament, and judgment. As a group, they command broad, bipartisan support among those who know them and have served with them. I submit their names to the Senate with full confidence that they will satisfy any test of judicial merit.

These first nominations are also an
opportunity to outline the standards by
which I will choose all federal judges.
The American people expect judges of
the highest caliber, and I intend for my
nominees to meet that test.

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THE PRESIDENT

A judge, by the most basic measure,
has an obligation shared by the
President and members of Congress / All
of us are constitutional officials, sworn to
serve within the limits of our Constitution
and laws / When we observe those
limits, we exercise our rightful powers. /
When we exceed those limits, we abuse
our powers.

Every judge I appoint will be a person
who clearly understands the role of a
judge is to interpret the law, not legislate
from the bench. To paraphrase the third
occupant of this house, James Madison,
the courts exist to exercise, not the will
of men, but the judgment of law. My
judicial nominees will know the
difference.

Understanding this will make them
more effective in the defense of the
rights guaranteed under the
Constitution; in the enforcement of our
laws; in assuring that justice is done to
the guilty and for the innocent.

THE PRESIDENT

My standard is informed ~~first and~~
foremost by the oath that each judge will
take, to “administer justice without
respect to persons, and do equal right to
the poor and to the rich.”

A good judge exercises these powers with discernment, courage, and humility. These are commitments, not just of philosophy, but of character.

THE PRESIDENT

My nominees, today and in the years to
come, will be notable for their distinction
and accomplishments – and all will be
exceptional for their humanity and their
integrity.

With today's eleven nominees, we
continue a constitutional process that
involves all three branches of
government. For many weeks now, we
have sought and received advice from
senators of both parties on these
nominees. I now submit these
nominations in good faith, trusting that
good faith will also be extended by the
United States Senate.

Over the years, we have seen how the confirmation process can be turned to other ends. We have seen political battles played out in committee hearings – battles having little to do with the merits of the person sitting before that committee.

This is not good for the Senate, for the courts, or for the country.

There are today over a hundred
vacancies on the federal courts, causing
backlogs, frustration, and the delay of
justice. I urge senators of both parties to
rise above the bitterness of the past – to
provide a fair hearing and a prompt vote
to every nominee, no matter who lives in
this house, no matter who controls the
Senate.

THE PRESIDENT

I ask for the return of civility and
dignity to the confirmation process. And
with this distinguished group of
nominees awaiting confirmation, there's
no better opportunity than right now.

I congratulate all of you on your
service past, and your service to come.

Thank you very much.

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- Senator Strom Thurmond (R-SC)
- Senator Orrin Hatch (R-UT)
- Senator Patrick Leahy (D-VT)
- Senator John Warner (R-VA)
- Senator John Breaux (D-LA)
- Senator George Voinovich (R-OH)
- Senator George Allen (R-VA)
- Senator Mary Landrieu (D-LA)

Good afternoon, and welcome to the White House. I'm very pleased to have you here, and we're happy that so many family members are joining us today. This is a proud moment for all of you, and it is a proud moment for me.

A President has few greater responsibilities than that of nominating men and women to the courts of the United States. A federal judge holds a position of great influence and respect, and can hold it for a lifetime. When a President chooses a judge, he is placing in human hands the full authority and majesty of the law. He owes it to the Constitution and to the country to choose with care.

I have done so. With me this afternoon are my first eleven judicial nominees, individuals of experience and character. Four of them already serve as United States district judges – all four confirmed by unanimous vote – and are well-suited for elevation to the courts of appeals. Two others are sitting judges on state supreme courts. Four have served as law clerks in the Supreme Court of the United States. One has served here, as an associate counsel to the President. One already holds the position for which I nominate him, by recess appointment of President Clinton.

These men and women have followed different paths to this nomination. They come from diverse backgrounds and will bring a wide range of experience to the bench. All have sterling credentials, and have met high standards of legal training, temperament, and judgment. As a group, they command broad, bipartisan support among those who know them and have served with them. I submit their names to the Senate with full confidence that they will satisfy any test of judicial merit.

These first nominations are also an opportunity to outline the standards by which I will choose all federal judges. The American people expect judges of the highest caliber, and I intend for my nominees to meet that test.

A judge, by the most basic measure, has an obligation shared by the President and members of Congress. All of us are constitutional officials, sworn to serve within the limits of our Constitution and laws. When we observe those limits, we exercise our rightful powers. When we exceed those limits, we abuse our powers. Every judge I appoint will be a person who clearly understands the role of a judge is to interpret the law, not legislate from the bench. To paraphrase the third occupant of this house, James Madison, the courts exist to exercise, not the will of men, but the judgment of law. My judicial nominees will know the difference.

Understanding this will make them more effective in the defense of the rights guaranteed under the Constitution; in the enforcement of our laws; in assuring that justice is done to the guilty and for the innocent. My standard is informed first and foremost by the oath that each judge will take, to "administer justice without respect to persons, and do equal right to the poor and to the rich."

A good judge exercises these powers with discernment, courage, and humility. These are commitments, not just of philosophy, but of character. My nominees, today and in the years to come, will be notable for their distinction and accomplishments – and all will be exceptional for their humanity and their integrity.

With today's eleven nominees, we continue a constitutional process that involves all three branches of government. For many weeks now, we have sought and received advice from senators of both parties on these

nominees. I now submit these nominations in good faith, trusting that good faith will also be extended by the United States Senate.

Over the years, we have seen how the confirmation process can be turned to other ends. We have seen political battles played out in committee hearings – battles having little to do with the merits of the person sitting before that committee.

This is not good for the Senate, for the courts, or for the country. There are today over a hundred vacancies on the federal courts, causing backlogs, frustration, and the delay of justice. I urge senators of both parties to rise above the bitterness of the past – to provide a fair hearing and a prompt vote to every nominee, no matter who lives in this house, no matter who controls the Senate.

I ask for the return of civility and dignity to the confirmation process. And with this distinguished group of nominees awaiting confirmation, there's no better opportunity than right now.

I congratulate all of you on your service past, and your service to come.

Thank you very much.

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