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FYI -- a thank-you note to the Judge from Susan Neilson. She is solid. Definitely a keeper.

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Attached is your cc of a thank you letter faxed to Judge Gonzales. It is in WordPerfect format.

Best regards, Jeff Neilson

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**The Circuit Court  
for the Third Judicial Circuit of Michigan  
Frank Murphy Hall Of Justice**

**SUSAN BIEKE NEILSON**  
Circuit Court Judge

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June 9, 2003

The Honorable Judge Alberto Gonzales  
Legal Counsel to the President  
West Wing - Second Floor  
The White House  
Washington, D.C. 20502

**Sent Via Facsimile 202-456-6279**

Dear Judge Gonzales:

I wanted to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to you and your colleagues for taking time out of your very busy schedules to meet with me and my fellow nominees to the 6th Circuit Court of Appeals this past Tuesday.

Although it has been over a year and one-half since my nomination, I have never forgotten that this difficult road was envisioned at the very onset of the process. While I would be less than honest not to confess that I have had some moments of frustration with the process, I have no doubt that they pale in comparison to what you and your colleagues have had to confront in the overall confirmation process. I can assure you that I remain confident in the leadership of President Bush and your office and those decisions which you feel best serve the interests of our country in general and the judiciary in particular.

I understand that you anticipate additional delay in the scheduling of our hearings. In light of my personal situation, while a delay is not a blessing, it is certainly a bearable inconvenience. I will certainly keep your office apprised of developments as they involve my medical status.

Once again, thank you and best wishes to you and your colleagues.

Sincerely yours,

/s/

Susan Bieke Neilson

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cc Theodore W. Ulyot (via e-mail)