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THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN....

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 3, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

PHILIP W. BUCHEN

MRY

Chief Judge Turk and Judge Ted Dalton of the U.S. District Court of the Western District of Virginia called this morning and asked me to report to you that they find Glenn Williams to be much more qualified for appointment to fill the vacancy in that Court than they do Thomas Wilson.

These judges have previously asked to confer directly with you. I believed it was unnecessary and inappropriate for you to meet with these judges but I did offer to pass their comments on to you in this fashion.

cc: Douglas Bennett
William Nicholson

Glenn Welleams Monienated 9/8/76 notified Max Friedervoloif and Phil Buchen

Confirmed 9/17/76 Commission 9/17/76

WASHINGTON

September 3, 1976

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

PHILIP W. BUCHEN

FROM:

TAMES E. CONNOR 9 🗲 🕏

SUBJECT:

Virginia Judgeship

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Please follow-up with appropriate action.

cc: Messrs. Jack Marsh
Max Friedersdorf
Douglas Bennett
Peter McPherson
Jerry Jones

WASHINGTON

September 2, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

PHILIP W. BUCHEN

SUBJECT: Virginia Judgeship

A meeting was held this afternoon among the following: Jack Marsh, Max Friedersdorf, Douglas Bennett, Peter McPherson and me. It is the considered recommendation of this group that you propose Tom Wilson to become the U. S. District Judge for the Western District of Virginia.

It is desirable that your nomination be submitted on Tuesday, September 7, as soon as the Senate returns.

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cc: Mr. Jack Marsh

Mr. Max Friedersdorf

Mr. Douglas Bennett

Mr. Peter McPherson

WASHINGTON

September 7, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH:

RICHARD B. CHENEY

FROM:

DOUGLAS P. BENNETT

SUBJECT:

United States District Judge for the Western District of Virginia.

Attached for your signature is the nomination document for Thomas J. Wilson III, of Virginia, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Virginia vice Ted Dalton, retired.

Mr. Wilson is currently in the private practice of law in Harrisonburg, Virginia and also serves as a Referee in Bankruptcy for the Western District of Virginia.

All necessary checks have been completed. This action reflects your decision of September 3, 1976.

WASHINGTON

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