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May 2, 1975

Mr. Pete McPherson The White House Washington, D. C. 20500 This is to confirm our telephone conversation of yesterday with regard to our advancing the name of Gerald B. Tjoflat as successor to Judge Dear Pete: Bryan Simpson as Judge of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth I have discussed this matter with the National Committeeman and Committeewoman and they concur with me, as well as the members of the Circuit. Florida Congressional Delegation with the exception of Congressman I will not attempt to restate here our desire to have this nomination clear your office by May 9, but you will recall we are attempting to Burke. beat a deadline so as to preclude action by the so-called Judicial Judge Gerald B. Tjoflat presently serves as a Federal District Judge Selection Commission of Florida. having been appointed by President Nixon some four years ago. The Deputy Attorney General Harold Tyler knows him personally and it is with great pleasure that I present this name. Again, I request speedy action in advancing it with the President's nomination to the Judiciary. Thank you.

Sincerely,

BILL TAYLOR State Chairman

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June 23, 1975

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

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FROM:

PHILIP BUCHEN T.W.B.

Attached is a letter from Judge Noel P. Fox of Grand Rapids recommending Judge Gerald Tjoflat for appointment to the Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit.

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The Honorable Gerald R. Ford Office of the President The White House Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

This is to add my voice to the many others in support of Judge Peter T. Fay of the U.S. District Court, Southern District of Florida, for the vacancy of the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals.

I have known Judge Fay for many years. He is an outstanding jurist and I am confident would serve with distinction if honored with this appointment.

Judge Fay also has extensive Party credentials having served as South Florida Chairman of the Nixon Committee in 1968. In this capacity he spent almost full time from May through the General Election of that year. He has also contributed significantly to the efforts of local and statewide Republican candidates in Florida.

Judge Fay's experience and dedication would make him a valuable addition to the Fifth Circuit and bring credit to the Administration.

With best wishes and warm personal regards, I am

Sincerely, dalis

L. A. "Skip" Bafalis Member of Congress



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The President The White House Washington, D. C.

I am pleased to recommend on behalf of the majority of the Florida Republican Congressional Delegation namely Lou Frey, C.W. "Bill" Young, and myself -- Judge Norman C. Roettger, Jr., United States District Court, Fort Lauderdale, Florida -- to succeed Judge Bryan Simpson as Judge U.S. Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit.

Congressman Richard Kelly made no personal recommendation. Congressman L. A. "Skip" Bafalis has recommended Judge Peter T. Fay who is presently a Judge of the Federal District Court in Miami. We all agree that Judge Fay is a fine Judge, but it is our sincere hope that you will nominate Judge Norman Roettger to be elevated to the Appellate Court.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

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J. HERBERT BURKE Member of Congress

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The President The White House Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

On behalf of the Florida Republican Delegation and the State Chairman, and the National Committeeman and Committeewoman, I want to take this opportunity to thank you for nominating William D. Stafford to fill the vacancy of Federal Judge for the Northern District of Florida.

We are convinced that he will make a fine Judge and that he is an excellent choice. Since Mr. Stafford was the United States Attorney for the Northern District of Florida, it now becomes your task to appoint a successor for this position which he will vacate to become Judge.

As I indicated in my letter regarding Mr. Stafford, the aforementioned have dicussed the various applicants for the District Attorney's position in Northern Florida, and I am pleased to advise you that we unanimously support Richard McFarlain. There are several other well-qualified men -- Nickolas P. Geeker, Robert L. Crongeyer, Jr., and Kenneth F. Hoffman -- who expressed interest in this position, and it was difficult to recommend only one.

Mr. McFarlain is presently employed as the head of the Florida Bar's legal department and has responsibility for the Bar's statewide jurisdiction in lawyer discipline cases and unauthorized practice of law matters. Although you probably have a copy of Not his resume, I am enclosing one for your convenience.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

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J. HERBERT BURKE Member of Congress

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Judge, United States District Court Southern District of Florida Resident Judge, Fort Lauderdale, Florida Appointed by President Richard M. Nixon on June 2, 1972

Lucasville, Ohio

November 3, 1930

Ohio State University, B.A., 1952 Washington and Lee University, LL.B., (Magna cum laude) 1958

March, 1971 to June, 1972 Member, law firm of Fleming, O'Bryan and Fleming in Fort Lauderdale, Florida

February, 1969 to March, 1971 -- Deputy General Counsel of U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development -- Executive Level V -- (Acting General Counsel, July - November 1970)

August, 1959 to February, 1969 -- Member (Associate prior to 1963) of Fleming, O'Bryan and Fleming

September, 1958 to August, 1959 -- Associate in law firm of Frost & Jacobs in Cincinnati, Ohio

Admitted to Bar in Florida and Ohio, 1958; also admitted to practice before the U. S. Supreme Court, U. S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit and U. S. District Court for the Southern District. Of Florida

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Miami, Florida 33130

September 9, 1975

ROBERT C. CLAIBORNE BART L. COHEN MAROLD GRAY EDWARD SCHROLL OF COUNSEL

TELEPHONE (305) 379-8353

President Gerald T. Ford White House Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

I understand that you are presently considering an appointment to the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Judge Bryan Simpson. I would highly endorse the recommendation of the Justice Department that this appointment be given to Judge Peter T. Fay of the Southern District of Florida. Judge Fay has served this district with exceptional distinction and has won the approval of all segments of the Bar. His appointment would lend great dignity to the Fifth Circuit.

I would take this opportunity to again offer to you my services and support in the forthcoming election.

Cordiall

Kenneth L. Ryskamp

KLR/hp

cc: Mr. Philip W. Buchen White House Washington, D. C.



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September 3, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR:

MR. DOUGLAS BENNETT

FROM:

TERRY O'DONNELL

SUBJECT:

Bob Gallagher, a young attorney from Florida who has helped out with some Presidential advances and who is a leader among the young lawyers in the State, called to enderse Judge Peter T. Fay for appointment to the Fifth Judicial Circuit, U.S. Court of Appeals.

Gallagher reports that Faye has such an outstanding reputation throughout Florida that he would receive wide bipartisan support from all segments of the community.

I pass this information on for whatever you deam appropriate.

cc: Mr. Hills

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August 15, 1975

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Rod Hills, Esquire The White House Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Rod:

It isn't too often that I'm very impressed upon first meeting someone, but last weekend I had the occasion to spend a considerable amount of time with Judge Peter Fay, who is a district judge in Miami, Florida and who is presently being considered by the White House for appointment to the Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit.

Peter Fay is young, capable, dynamic, personable and, frankly, I can't remember enough adjectives to describe him.

This is the sort of man that I think would serve our society, our President, and our citizenry very well if appointed to the Court of Appeals.

I don't know the other candidate for this position and I'm not about, therefore, to put the knock on him. All I'm going to say is that Peter Fay is a damn impressive guy and one that I hope you personally will get an opportunity to meet.

For the record, I am enclosing a biographical sketch of Judge Fay but, as usual, the printed word is not quite the same as the three-dimensional personality. I think

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Rod Hills, Esquire August 15, 1975 Page Two

from the tone of my letter you will perceive that I would wholeheartedly, in fact, enthusiastically, support Judge Fay's nomination and I certainly hope that this will come to pass.

Best personal regards.

Sincerely,



BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH OF

PETER T. FAY

January 18, 1929 Birthdate: Rochester, New York Birthplace: Raised in Fort Lauderdale, Florida -Past residence: Miami since 1956 11000 Snapper Creek Road, Miami, Florida 33156 Home address: Tele: (305) 666-8841 U. S. Courthouse Office address: 300 N. E. First Avenue Post Office Box 014820 Miami, Florida 33101 Telephone: (305) 350-5974 Claudia Pat Zimmerman Married to: Three - Michael 11, William 10, Darcy Ann 8 Children: Political Party: Republican Graduated from Fort Lauderdale High School in June, 1947 with standing of #2 in class. Lettered in four varsity sports - named All State in basketball. President of both Junior and Senior Class. Active in Key Club (Pres.), Student Gov't, Hi-Y and National Honor Society (Pres.) Graduated from Rollins College in June, 1951 with ranking in upper 1/3 of class. Attended college on football scholarship. Lettered in four varsity sports and named captain of college All State Basketball Team - 1950. Active in X-Club (social fraternity), Student Gov't, Chapel Staff, 0.0.0.0. (Pres.), 0.D.K. (Pres.), Pi Gamma Mu and various other college projects - freshman orientation, etc. Served in U. S. Air Force 1951 - 1953. Graduated from Officer Candidate School in December, 1951, with rank of second in command of cadets. Awarded overall academic-athletic medal for most points in military, studies and sports. Active duty at Craig Air Force Base, Selma, Alabama and Lajes Field, Azores, Portugal. Honorable discharge as First Lieutenant. Graduated from University of Florida Law School in January, 1956, with standing # 1 in class and honors. Active in John Marshall Bar Association (Pres.), Phi Delta Phi Legal Fraternity (Pres.), Phi Delta Theta, Executive Editor of Law Review and selected for membership in the Order of the Coif. During law school worked as clerk for Clayton Duncan & Arnow, Gainesville, Florida and as assistant clerk in law library. Practiced law with Patton and Kanner, Miami, for six months (general practice) in 1956. Joined firm of Nichols Gaither Green Frates & Beckham, 1956, and practiced trial work through February, 1961.

- Formed Frates and Fay in March, 1961, with William S. Frates. Firm has grown to Frates Floyd Pearson Stewart Proenza & Richman, doing all types of general trial work and appellate work in all federal and state courts.
- Active in various bar activities, including numerous committees of American Bar Association, Florida Bar Association and Dade County Bar Association. Served as member of Board of Governors for Junior Bar Section for five years and on Board of Directors of Academy of Florida Trial Lawyers for three years.
- Served five years on grievance committees of the Florida Bar and have served as attorney for the Florida Bar in presenting these matters to the Supreme Court of Florida.
- Author of several legal articles and lecturer for the Continuing Legal Education programs of the Florida Bar.

Fellow in Law-Science Academy.

Served four years on Board of Trustees of Rollins College, Winter Park, Florida.

Presently member Administrative Board, Biscayne College, Miami.

- Past member of Executive Council of University of Florida Alumni Association.
- Admitted to practice in all state and federal courts of general jurisdiction, including the Supreme Court of the United States.

Past member of Jaycees and member of Chamber of Commerce.

Past active member of Board of Directors of Children's Service Bureau.

Was actice in United Fund drives.

- Director in Coral Way National Bank (Southeastern Bancorporation) of Miami, Florida, 1969 1970.
- Awarded a.v. rating in Martindale-Hubbell Law Directory during fall of 1968.
- Member of Miami Club, Riviera Country Club, University Club, Coral Oaks Tennis Club.
- Attend St. Louis Catholic Church, Miami, Florida.

Listed in Who's Who in America.

- Hobbies: Golf and fishing.
- October 30, 1970 Appointed United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida
- Faculty Member of Federal Judicial Center, Washington, D.C.
- Member Judicial Conference Committee for Implementation of Criminal Justice Act.

Member Orange Bowl Committee.

Received Honorary Degrees of L.L.D. from Rollins College, 1971 and Biscayne College, 1975.

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Homes From The Past

This old Riverside home had a more interesting history than most before finally being torn down to make room for the Blue Cross-Blue Shield complex. The home was built in 1902 for Edward Alonzo Champlain, an executive with the Consolidated Wholesale Grocery Co. The house was located on the corner of Riverside Avenue and Rosselle Street, present

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By STEVE THOMAS **Journal Staff Writer**

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- APPEALS COURT

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The body of Glen C. Lundgren, a clerk at an allnight Zippy Mart on U.S. 301, two miles west of here, was discovered by a truck driver at about 1:05 a.m. yesterday. He was shot once in the head, apparently with a small-caliber gun, Reddish said.

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By BEVERLY CHEUVRONT

Journal Staff Writer

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Sept. 17, 1975

To: Doug Bennett From: Phil Buchen



Mixup Clouds Judge Vacancy

By OTIS PERKINS Times-Union Staff Writer

An announcement can be expected by next Tuesday on who will be named to succeed Judge Bryan Simpson to the U.S. 5th Circuit Court of Appeals, according to a Justice Department spokesman. did or didn't go the White House.

Chile's office said the appellate judgeship came up when the two senators met to discuss the filling of another federal judgeship in Miami.

Chiles was quoted as saying in answer to a question

THE FLORIDA TIMES-UNION, JACKSONVILLE, SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 1975

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March 30, 1976

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Thank you for the letter to the President from you and Senator Henry H. Jackson asking that full consideration be given to nominating an attorney or judge from Washington State to fill the vacancy on the Minth Circuit Court of Appeals.

Please be assured I shall call your latter promptly to the attention of the President and the appropriate Presidential advisors. I know your views regarding this position will be appreciated and fully considered.

With kind regards,

Sincerely,

William T. Kendall Deputy Assistant to the President

The Monorable Warren C. Hagnuson United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

bcc: w/incoming to Douglas Bennett for further handling bcc: w/incoming to Philip Buchen for your information

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March 30, 1976

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

March 23, 1976

The President The White House Washington, D. C.

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Dear Mr. President:

As you know, Ninth Circuit Court Judge M. Oliver Koelsch has resigned. We and the Washington State Bar Association very strongly feel that the vacancy should be filled by an attorney or judge from the State of Washington.

While we are aware of the imbalance in population between California and the Northwest, the State of Washington at present has only one representative on the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. There are two United States District Courts in our State and, ideally, each should be represented on the Circuit Court. In our State, as you are no doubt aware, we have many fine and eminently qualified attorneys and judges who would make excellent Circuit Court Judges.

We hope you will seriously consider granting the State of Washington better representation on our Circuit Court of Appeals.

Thank you for your attention, Mr. President.

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HENRY M. JACKSON, U.S.S.

WARREN G. MAGNUSON, U.S.S.

Sincerely,

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON July 28, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THROUGH:

FROM:

SUBJECT:

JACK MARSH PHIL BUCHEN

Sixth Circuit Judicial Appointment/ Inquiry by Senator Baker

This is in response to your note of July 26 regarding the request made by Senator Baker for expeditious treatment of the nomination of Judge Harry Welford (currently serving on the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Tennessee) for appointment to a vacancy on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit.

I have discussed this matter with Judge Tyler who is, of course, willing to accept our direction, but suggests that it would be in the best interests of all concerned (including Judge Welford) to await formal approval of the ABA which should be forthcoming within a period of two weeks. For the reasons discussed briefly below, we are in agreement with his recommendation.

Judge Welford is the <u>only</u> candidate for appointment to this vacancy and his nomination has already received the informal approval of the ABA judicial selection committee. However, the committee has requested the opportunity to review this nomination, along with several others in process, at a formal meeting now set for August 6.

Preliminary discussions with the committee would indicate that Judge Welford will receive the minimum level of formal ABA approval (a "qualified" as opposed to "highly qualified" or "extremely well qualified" rating). We also have assurances from the Senate Judiciary Committee that judicial nominations will continue to be processed (at least in situations such as the instant one involving a state with two Republican Senators) after the August recess.

To bypass formal ABA approval in these circumstances could raise unnecessary friction and suspicions. Therefore, unless we hear from you to the contrary, we shall attempt to expedite the normal processing of Judge Welford's nomination.

cc: Doug Bennett

WASHINGTON

July 26, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR:

PHIL BUCHEN

JACK MARSH

FROM:

Senator Baker called in reference to the candidacy of Judge Welford to the Circuit Courts of Appeals.

The Senator is urging us to send this forward to the Senate without formal ABA approval. I understand informal approval has been obtained.

The Senator wanted me to raise this matter with you with the hope that you would discuss it with Judge Tyler to see what might be done in this regard.

cc: Doug Bennett

Asr Ken whom y

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

May 20, 1976

Dear Jack:

Many thanks for your letter in which you commend Judge Robert M. Duncan for appointment to the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals. I am passing on a copy of your letter to the Justice Department and the White House Office of Presidential Personnel where I know it will be given careful consideration.

Best personal regards.

Sincerely,

Philip (. Buchen Counsel to the President

Mr. John J. Chester Chester, Hoffman, Park Willcox & Rose 16 East Broad Street Columbus, Ohio 43215



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May 14, 1976

Hon. Philip W. Buchen Counsel to the President The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Phil:

It has come to my attention that there is a vacancy existing on the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals. I would like to recommend to you that you consider for appointment to the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals Judge Robert M. Duncan who is now sitting in the Columbus District Court.

Judge Duncan has had a distinguished career on the bench starting out as an elected Municipal Judge. He was then appointed to the Ohio Supreme Court by Governor Rhodes. When he came up for election, he had no opposition. He was appointed by President Nixon to the United States Court of Military Appeals and subsequently appointed by President Nixon to sit in the Southern District of Ohio, Eastern Division. He has made an outstanding reputation as a trial judge. Prior to that he made an outstanding reputation as an appellate judge. It is my belief that you could do no better.

With kindest personal regards, I am.

Very truly yours, John J. Chester

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WASHINGTON

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Sincerely,

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

PHILIP W. BUCHEN

FROM:

DOUGLAS P. BENNETT

SUBJECT:

U. S. Circuit Judge, Ninth Circuit

Pursuant to our new clearance procedures for Judicial appointments, I am forwarding to you the proposed Decision Memorandum for the President for the nomination of Richard M. Bilby to be U. S. Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals.

Would you please notify Robin West's office (ext. 2981) at your earliest convenience with your comments.

Upon your approval, it will be sent directly to the President.

7/22/76 Approve Disapprove

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WASHINGTON

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: RICHARD B. CHENEY

FROM: DOUGLAS P. BENNETT

SUBJECT: U. S. Circuit Judge, Ninth Circuit

This memorandum seeks your approval of the nomination of Richard M. Bilby to the U. S. Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. A career profile is attached for your review (Tab A).

<u>Richard M. Bilby</u>, 45, a Republican, is currently practicing law with the firm of Bilby, Thompson, Shoenhair & Warnock. Prior to that he served as a law clerk for Judge Richard H. Chambers of the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals.

Mr. Bilby graduated from the University of Arizona with a B. S. and from the University of Michigan Law School with a LL. B. He is a legal resident of Tucson, Arizona and is represented by Congressman Udall (D).

Attorney General Levi recommends this appointment, and I concur.

Approve

Disapprove



RICHARD M. BILBY

May 29, 1931 Arizona Married	Tucson, Arizona WifeAnn Louise Borchert 2 children
Married	
10/10-1952	
17 777777	University of Arizona B.S. degree -
• 1955–1958	University of Michigan Law School LL.B. degree
1959	Arizona
1952-1954	United States Army
1958–1959	Law Clerk for Judge Richard H. Chambers, Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals
1959 to present	Bilby, Thompson, Shoenhair & Warnock, P.C
Ninth Floor Valley Tucson, Arizona 85 Telephone: 602-79	y National Building 5701 92-4800
7204 Camino Vecino Tucson, Arizona 8 Telephone: 602-2	5715
Republican	
Caucasian	
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Office of the Attorney General Washington, A. C. 20530

July 14, 1976

My dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to enclose the nomination of Richard M. Bilby, of Arizona, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit vice Richard H. Chambers, retiring.

Mr. Bilby was born May 29, 1931 in Tucson, Arizona, is married and has two children. He attended the University of Arizona from 1949 to 1952 when he received his B.S. degree. He attended the University of Michigan Law School from 1955 to 1958 when he received his LL.B. degree. He was admitted to the Arizona State Bar in 1959.

He served in the United States Army from 1952 to 1954 when he was honorably discharged.

From 1958 to 1959 he served as a Law Clerk for Judge Chambers. Since 1959 he has practiced law with the firm of Bilby, Thompson, Shoenhair & Warnock, P.C.

The Standing Committee on Federal Judiciary of the American Bar Association has submitted a report in which they state their opinion that Mr. Bilby is qualified for appointment to this position. He bears an excellent reputation as to character and integrity, has judicial temperament, and is, I believe, worthy of appointment as a United States Circuit Judge.

I recommend the nomination.

Respectfully,

Sduard H.T.m.



The President

The White House