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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Jay had marked this for
files -- but thought
you'd want to see it.

Eva

Don't filing



For file

ROSEMARY SCOTT
ATTORNEY

714 GRAND RAPIDS MUTUAL BUILDING
201 MONROE AVENUE N. W.
GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN 49502

GLENDAL 4-7070

October 23, 1974

Mr. Philip W. Buchen,
Counsel to the President,
The White House,
Washington, D.C. 20500

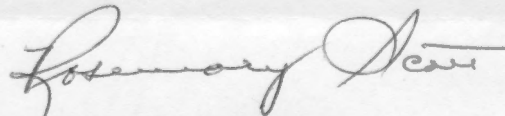
Dear Mr. Buchen:

May I thank you for returning my call in reference to Mr. C. Frank Reifsnyder who has been proposed through the United States Department of Justice to the White House for appointment as appellate judge in the District of Columbia.

Thank you very much for the anticipated expedition of your consideration of his nomination.

I am joined by Marion Jennings in conveying to you our hearty admiration, and I again express my gratitude for your kind attention.

Sincerely yours,



Rosemary Scott

RS:mj



Chapman wrote:

sent to
Lebedev
10/25/74

No objection to Flaum and Reifsnyder

Buchen:

Concur

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

October 15, 1974

*Reifsnnyder,
C. Frank*

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MEMORANDUM FOR: PHILIP BUCHEN

FROM: SAMUEL A. SCHULHOF

CONCUR: WILLIAM N. WALKER

SUBJECT: Associate Judge of the District of
Columbia Court of Appeals

Attached is a copy of my proposed memorandum to The President discussing the nomination of C. Frank Reifsnnyder as Associate Judge of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals.

As we wish to finalize this recommendation by Friday, October 18, 1974, please have your office let Greg Lebedev's office know of your opinion as soon as convenient in order that we may accurately represent your views in the final decision memorandum. If we have not heard from your office by that time, we will assume that you have no opinion and go forward with the memorandum. Your observations and assistance will be greatly appreciated.

Thank you very much.



Attachments

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: DONALD RUMSFELD

FROM: SAMUEL A. SCHULHOF

CONCUR: WILLIAM N. WALKER

SUBJECT: C. Frank Reifsnyder as Associate Judge
of the District of Columbia Court of
Appeals

This memorandum seeks your approval of C. Frank Reifsnyder as Associate Judge of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals vice Hubert B. Pair, retired. Reifsnyder, 54, currently is an Associate Partner of the Washington law firm of Hogan & Hartson; and his career profile is attached for your review (Tab A).

Mr. Reifsnyder is a Republican, and Attorney General Saxbe's letter of recommendation states that the Judicial Appointments Committee of the D. C. Bar Association has submitted a report in which they express their opinion that "... Mr. Reifsnyder is highly qualified for appointment to this position. " (Tab B). Although many other individuals have sought this position, the Attorney General's recommendation is founded upon the competence of Mr. Reifsnyder and the need to strengthen the D. C. Court of Appeals.

I, therefore, recommend the nomination of C. Frank Reifsnyder as Associate Judge of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals.

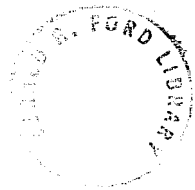
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_____ Disapprove

Attachments: Tabs A - B



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C. FRANK REIFSNYDER

Born: September 6, 1920 Ottumwa, Iowa

Legal Residence: Maryland

Marital Status: Married Wife-Nancy Lee; 3 children

Education: 1938-1946 George Washington University
A.B. degree (1944)
LL.B. degree (1946)

Bar: 1945 District of Columbia

Experience: 1946-1947 Law Clerk to Chief Judge Bolitha J. Laws, U.S. District Court, District of Columbia

1947-1951 Assistant U.S. Attorney
District of Columbia

1951 to present Associate, Partner
Hogan & Hartson
Washington, D.C.

Office: 815 Connecticut Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20006
202-331-4548

Home: 10605 Stable Lane
Potomac, Maryland 20854
301-299-4225

Present Position: Lawyer

Political Affiliation: Republican

Ethnic Group: Caucasian

Salary: \$38,250



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Office of the Attorney General
Washington, D. C. 20530

October 4, 1974

My dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to enclose the nomination of C. Frank Reifsnyder, of Maryland, to be an Associate Judge of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals for the term of fifteen years vice Hubert B. Pair, retired.

Mr. Reifsnyder was born September 6, 1920 in Ottumwa, Iowa, is married and has three children.

He attended George Washington University from 1938 to 1946, receiving his A.B. degree in 1944 and his LL.B. degree in 1946.

From 1946 to 1947 Mr. Reifsnyder served as a law clerk to Chief Judge Bolitha J. Laws, United States District Court for the District of Columbia. From 1947 to 1951 he served as Assistant U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia. Since 1951 he has practiced law with the firm of Hogan and Hartson in Washington, D.C.

The Judicial Appointments Committee of the Bar Association of the District of Columbia has submitted a report in which they state their opinion that Mr. Reifsnyder is highly 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 an Associate Judge of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals.

I recommend the nomination.

Respectfully,

Wm B Saypol

The President

The White House

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

October 15, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR:

PHILIP BUCHEN

FROM:

SAMUEL A. SCHULHOF

CONCUR: _____

WILLIAM N. WALKER

SUBJECT:

U.S. District Judge, Northern District
of Illinois

Attached is a copy of my proposed memorandum to The President discussing the nomination of Joel M. Flaum as U.S. District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois.

As we wish to finalize this recommendation by Friday, October 18, 1974, please have your office let Mr. Lebedev's office know of your opinion as soon as convenient in order that we may accurately represent your views in the final decision memorandum. If we have not hear from your office by that time, we will assume that you have no opinion and go forward with the memorandum. Your observations and assistance will be greatly appreciated.

Thank you very much.

Attachments



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

October 10, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: DONALD RUMSFELD
FROM: SAMUEL A. SCHULHOF

CONCUR: _____
WILLIAM N. WALKER

SUBJECT: Joel M. Flaum as United States
District Judge for the Northern
District of Illinois

This memorandum seeks your approval of Joel M. Flaum as U.S. District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, vice Philip W. Tone, elevated. Mr. Flaum, 37, currently serves as the First Assistant U.S. Attorney in the Northern District of Illinois; and his career profile is attached for your review (Tab A).

Mr. Flaum is an Independent, and is primarily supported by Senator Charles Percy (R-Illinois). The Attorney General's letter of recommendation states that the Standing Committee on Federal Judiciary of the ABA has submitted a report in which they indicate that "...half the members feel that Mr. Flaum is well qualified and the other half feel he is qualified for appointment to this position." (Tab B)

I, therefore, recommend the nomination of Joel M. Flaum as United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois.

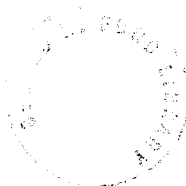
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_____ Disapprove

Attachments: Tabs A-B



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JOEL M. FLAUM

Born: November 26, 1936 Hudson, New York

Legal Residence: Illinois

Marital Status: Married Wife-Thea; two children

Education: 1954-1958 Union College, B.A. degree
1958-1959 Albany Law School
Northwestern University
School of Law
1961-1963 J.D. degree
1963-1964 L.L.M. degree

Bar: 1963 Illinois

Experience: 1964-1965 Schimberg, Greenberger, Krauss
& Jacobs; Chicago, Illinois
1965-1969 Assistant State's Attorney
Cook County, Illinois
1967-1969 Lecturer, Northwestern University
School of Law
1969-1970 Assistant Attorney General
1970-1972 First Assistant Attorney General
State of Illinois
1972 to present First Assistant U.S. Attorney
Northern District of Illinois

Office: Everett McKinley Dirksen Building
219 South Dearborn Street
Chicago, Illinois 60604
Telephone: 312-353-5331

Home: 734 West Hutchinson Street
Chicago, Illinois 60613
Telephone: 312-935-5524

Present Position: Assistant U.S. Attorney

Politics: Independent

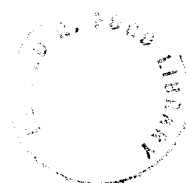
Ethnic Group: Caucasian

Salary: \$40,000



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Office of the Attorney General
Washington, D. C. 20530

September 23, 1974

My dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to enclose the nomination of Joel M. Flaum, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois vice Philip W. Tone, elevated.

Mr. Flaum was born November 26, 1936 in Hudson, New York, is married and has two children.

He attended Union College from 1954 to 1958 when he received his B.A. degree. He attended Albany Law School from 1958 to 1959 and Northwestern University School of Law from 1961 to 1963 when he received his J.D. degree. He received an L.L.M. degree from Northwestern in 1964. He was admitted to the Illinois State Bar in 1963.

From 1964 to 1965 he practiced law with the firm of Schimberg, Greenberger, Krauss & Jacobs in Chicago. He served as Assistant State's Attorney for Cook County, Illinois from 1965 to 1969. From 1967 to 1969 he was a lecturer at Northwestern University School of Law. From 1969 to 1970 he was an Assistant Attorney General and from 1970 to 1972, First Assistant Attorney General for the State of Illinois. Since 1972 he has been First Assistant United States Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois.

The Standing Committee on Federal Judiciary of the American Bar Association has submitted a report in which half the members feel that Mr. Flaum is well qualified and the other half feel he 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 District Judge.

I recommend the nomination.

Respectfully,

Wm B Sayler

The President

The White House



*For filing
with Rosemary
Scott Allen*

Tuesday 10/15/74

4:55 Dudley Chapman checked with Greg Lebedev concerning the nomination of C. Frank Riesnyder to be a judge.

It is being circulated for approval now and we have until Friday to give our approval. It apparently has been O. K. 'd by everyone but us.



Friday 10/11/74

2:50 Rosemary Scott called from Grand Rapids --
concerned the nomination of C. Frank Riesnyder
(apparently nominated and apparently cleared by
Justice to be appointed a judge).

(616) 454-7070

*Returned
call 10/15/74*

*Please have Jay
make the*
~~See Att. 11/1/74~~

Dudley Chapman:
Kindly advise ^{me} where this
nomination stands

J.



10/15/74 3:40
called Dudley; he
will let us know



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Boisfeuilly

April 28, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: JOHN MINTZ
GENERAL COUNSEL
FBI

FROM: KEN LAZARUS *KL*

SUBJECT: D. C. Judicial Nominations Commission

In accordance with my phone conversation with Jack Harrington earlier today, this is to advise that we have no objection to your providing assistance to the D. C. Judicial Nominations Commission in the course of their screening of candidates for appointment to the D. C. Superior Court. Specifically, the Commission's request for access to "Name Check" and "Ident" information should be honored provided that written releases are obtained from the individuals involved and provided to the Bureau.

I have discussed this matter with Deputy Attorney General Tyler who concurs with our views.

cc: Honorable Harold Tyler
Phil Buchen ✓
Rod Hills
Bernie Rachner



May 19, 1975

*Justice
Personnel
Judgeships*

MEMORANDUM FOR:

MR. JOHN T. DUFFNER
EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO
THE DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

Enclosed is a copy of a recommendation concerning Edwin C. Brown, Jr. as a candidate for Judge of the District of Columbia Superior Court. I have acknowledged receipt of this letter.

Philip W. Buchen
Counsel to the President

Enclosure



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

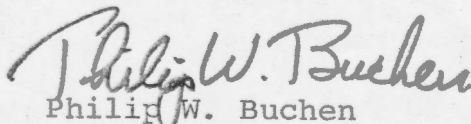
May 19, 1975

Dear Judge Kronheim:

Many thanks for your letter in support of Edwin C. Brown, Jr. as a candidate for Judge of the District of Columbia Superior Court.

I am passing this recommendation on to those who will be organizing the material on each of the possible candidates.

Sincerely,



Philip W. Buchen
Counsel to the President

The Honorable Milton S. Kronheim, Jr.
3120 Chesapeake Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20008



Pres.
(Appt.)

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 1, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR:

ALAN WOODS

FROM:

PHILIP BUCHEN

T.W.B.

Subject;

Associate Judge,
District of Columbia
Court of Appeals

This office concurs in your proposed memo
to the President on this appointment.



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

3:20 p.m.
June 27

Mr. Buchen,

Ken thinks you should
talk to A. G. Levi
and try to talk him
out of this proposal.

shirley



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

6-27-75

From Lazarus:

On the merits, Julia Cooper is far and away the superior candidate. One point not covered in the memo is the fact that Wiley Branton has substantial opposition from powerful conservatives on the Hill and is also strongly opposed by key members of the local federal judiciary. We should strongly oppose this nomination

Q agree

Chapman also supports Cooper.



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

August 18, 1976

MEMO FOR: Phil Buchen ✓
Doug Bennett
Bob Linder

FROM: Ken Lazarus

FYI

Tuesday 8/17/76

9:55 Ken advises that the D. C. Judicial Nomination Commission sent over a letter setting forth three names, from which the President would choose one -- for the vacancy when Judge Draper passed away.

Dudley Williams was one of the names mentioned. They are sending a second letter on Dudley Williams because he had failed to file tax returns for several years.

When these two letters come in, Ken would like copies of the "whole shmear"°!!°!°!°

Aug. 16.

Dean Chas. Duncan
orig - Dong Bennett

John Risher 629-3858



*To - Davis Bennett
8-19-76
LTD*

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WASHINGTON

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HOWARD UNIVERSITY
SCHOOL OF LAW
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20008

CHARLES T. DUNCAN
DEAN

August 16, 1976

The President of the United States
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to submit, pursuant to Public Law 93-198
(December 24, 1973), the following nominees for appointment to
the Superior Court of the District of Columbia:

Edwin Cicero Brown, Jr.
Arthur Louis Burnett
Dudley Ridault Williams

Respectfully yours,

Charles T. Duncan

Charles T. Duncan
Chairman
The District of Columbia
Judicial Nomination Commission

Members:

Frederick B. Abramson
Clifford L. Alexander
Judge Oliver Gasch
John W. Hechinger
Willie L. Leftwich
William Lucy



Judgeships

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 28, 1975

Dear Jim:

Mildred has brought to my attention your letter of July 30th on my return from a brief vacation combined with a number of speaking commitments.


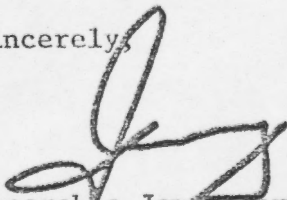
I am not certain at this time whether or not a vacancy is forthcoming in the near future either among the U. S. District Judges for the District of Columbia or the U. S. District Court of Appeals. However, I am asking Phil Buchen to look into the matter and will have him get in contact with you concerning his findings.

I can understand the feeling of mixed emotions you and June may have between living in Bay City or the Nation's Capitol. It seems most people who have lived here for any length of time develop a sense of yearning to return.

I really enjoyed hearing from you and I'm sure Phil will be in touch with you before too long.

Warmest personal regards.

Sincerely,



Honorable James Harvey
U. S. District Court
Bay City, Michigan 48706



0, 1975

July 30, 1975

Dear Mildred:

Thank you in advance for your assistance in this matter. All of us in Michigan especially appreciate the wonderful help that you have rendered to the President during the many years that you have been with him.

Sincerely,

James Harvey
JAMES HARVEY
U. S. District Judge

673 Kenton Drive
Saginaw, Michigan 48603



United States District Court
For the Eastern District of Michigan
Bay City, Michigan 48706

CHAMBERS OF
JAMES HARVEY
DISTRICT JUDGE

July 30, 1975

The Honorable Gerald R. Ford
The President
The White House
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

I am writing this letter at the suggestion of our mutual friend, Senator Bob Griffin, after recently conferring with him in this regard.

Since February 1, 1974, I have been a U. S. District Judge in the Eastern District of Michigan, and I have found it to be a very gratifying and challenging position. I spent most of the first ten months in the Detroit Court, and since January 1st of this year, I have been handling the docket of the late Judge Stephen J. Roth, holding court in both Bay City and Flint, Michigan.

In recent weeks I have heard it discussed on several occasions that there may likely be a vacancy in the near future among the U. S. District Judges for the District of Columbia, and also the further possibility that there may be a vacancy on the U. S. District Court of Appeals. I am well aware that both of these possibilities are no more than rumors at the present time.

My purpose in writing this letter, however, is to ask that in the event either of such vacancies do occur, my name be considered for such appointment.

Senator Griffin advises me, as I am sure you are aware, that recommendations for these appointments originate in the Office of the Attorney General, and are not dependent upon the recommendation of any Senator as is the usual case. If I were appointed to any such position, Senator Griffin would, of course, recommend a successor to my present post in Michigan.



The Honorable Gerald R. Ford

July 30, 1975

I have been a member of the District of Columbia Bar Association since 1963. I have worked harder at acquiring the knowledge and skill necessary to become a good Federal Judge than at anything else in my lifetime, and I believe that I have been successful.

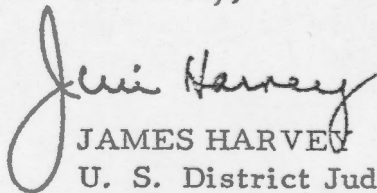
My wife, June, and I have enjoyed becoming reacquainted with our friends in Michigan this past year, although I would be less than honest if I did not say that we have missed our many friends in Washington made during the fourteen years that I served in Congress. In addition, however, I am aware that the nature of the cases commenced in the U. S. District Court for the District of Columbia, and heard by the U. S. Court of Appeals there, are more national in scope, and the decisions of greater consequence, than those in the Bay City or Flint Courts, where I presently serve.

I am not certain that any vacancies will occur in either the U. S. District Court, or the Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia, in the months ahead, but I wanted you to be aware of my interest in any event.

You have made all of us who worked with you in years past very proud, for your accomplishments since taking office last August are unequaled in history. You may be certain of my continued support in your undertakings in the months and years ahead.

Many thanks for your consideration of my request, and my warmest personal regards to you and your family.

Sincerely,


JAMES HARVEY
U. S. District Judge



DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA COURT OF APPEALS
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20001

*Mack,
Julia
(Judge)*

CHAMBERS OF
JUDGE JULIA COOPER MACK

October 22, 1975

Mr. Philip Buchen
Counsel to the President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

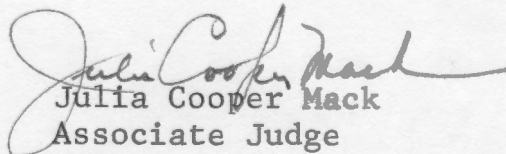
Dear Mr. Buchen:

I interrupt my period of adjustment, as the newest Associate Judge of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, to thank you for your attendance at my investiture in September of this year. I want the President, and you, to know that such thoughtfulness has set the stage for what is proving to be, for me, a fulfilling experience.

Although I neglected to mention this at the ceremony, I would like very much to have a photograph to exhibit along with my Presidential Commission which is hanging now in my Chambers. This display would be singularly meaningful to me since I believe I am the first judge to sit under the provisions of the District Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act.

I am committed to justifying the confidence placed in me.

Sincerely,


Julia Cooper Mack
Associate Judge

10/29

Mildred Leonard is handling.

shirley

