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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 25, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE HONORABLE JOHN DUFFNER

Enclosed are two letters of recommendation concerning Mr. Arthur R. Heckerman for appointment to the position of District Judge in the Eastern District of Kentucky.

These letters have both been acknowledged.

P.W.B.

Philip W. Buchen

Enclosure



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 25, 1975

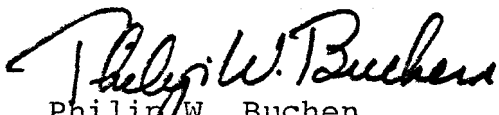
Justice

Dear Ms. Schaefer:

Thank you very much for your letter of April 21, 1975, recommending the Honorable Arthur R. Heckerman to fill the vacancy of Federal Judge in the Eastern District of Kentucky.

I shall immediately pass on your recommendation to the Department of Justice where matters of this sort are first considered.

Sincerely,



Philip W. Buchen
Counsel to the President

Ms. Portia F. Schaefer
Attorney & Counselor at Law
104 E. Seventh Street
Covington, Kentucky 41011



May 10, 1976

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Dear Carroll:

Thank you for your recent letter to the President with which you conveyed the views of Mr. J. William Graves, an attorney in the First Congressional District, regarding the selection of a judicial candidate who does not reside in Jefferson County.

Please be assured that I shall make certain the President receives your letter at the earliest opportunity.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely,

Charles Loppert, Jr.
Deputy Assistant
to the President

The Honorable Carroll Hubbard
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

bcc: w/incoming to Douglas Bennett for appropriate handling
~~bcc: w/incoming~~ to Philip Buchen - FYI

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Congress of the United States

House of Representatives

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May 3, 1976

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

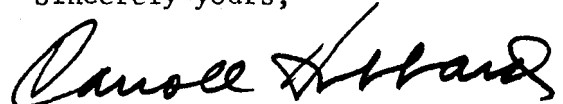
Dear Mr. President:

On behalf of my constituent, J. William Graves, Esq., I would deeply appreciate your consideration of the concerns expressed in the enclosed letter copy. Mr. Graves, a prominent attorney in my First Congressional District of Kentucky, would like the nominee to replace Judge James F. Gordon of the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Kentucky to be a qualified person who does not reside in the area of Jefferson County, Kentucky.

Thank you for your kind assistance. I am looking forward to your reply.

With best wishes for you, I am

Sincerely yours,



Carroll Hubbard
Member of Congress

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April 16, 1976

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Senator Wendell Ford
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20027

Senator Walter D. Huddleston
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20027

Dear Sirs:

This is to commend you for your vote against Senate Bill #354 (national no fault).

I notice from the newspaper that President Ford has nominated a Louisville judge to replace Judge James F. Gordon for the United States District Court for the Western District of Kentucky. The majority of lawyers in West Kentucky favor the appointment of a lawyer from some county other than Jefferson. Federal judges wield tremendous power--so much power that they command lawyers from Paducah to travel a 440 mile round trip to Louisville for a 20 minute pretrial conference solely because the Louisville orientated judge did not want to travel to Paducah. Lawyers from Paducah, the deputy clerk from Paducah, and the deputy marshal have had to travel to Louisville because the federal judge did not want to come to Paducah to hold court. This was not one case but several cases. It is the feeling of the majority of West Kentucky lawyers that someone not so deeply rooted in Louisville would be more willing to travel to Paducah.

Very truly yours,

J. William Graves

JWG:lh

