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THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN... *leg*

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 7, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

PHILLIP AREEDA *P.A.*

You might want to know that the eminent constitutional lawyer, Professor Alexander Bickel of the Yale Law School, died today after a long illness. He was only in his early fifties.

*I believe I should  
send telegram to widow.  
PR 7*

Jerry:

Roland is preparing an appropriate telegram and will ~~will~~ it with Areeda/

*clear*

*OK*

November 9, 1974

PLEASE SEND STRAIGHT WIRE

Mrs. Alexander Bickel  
58 Hall Street  
Hamden, Connecticut

Our hearts go out to you and your family at this sad time. Alexander Bickel was admired, respected and loved by countless Americans. As one of our most brilliant scholars and distinguished Constitutional lawyers, his contributions to our Nation and its people will serve as a lasting tribute to his memory. He will be sorely missed. It is impossible to measure the great good he has accomplished in the lives he touched, in his students and in others who shared his love and respect for the law. But if ever a man has left a powerful legacy, Professor Bickel's life and work will surely live on to inspire and encourage generations of Americans to come.

Mrs. Ford joins me in sending you our heartfelt sympathy and our prayers.

GERALD R. FORD

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