

her by listening and providing comfort, and apparently there was no comfort to be found.

Senator SIMPSON. Would you have done it differently now, knowing what you know, than what you did then?

Judge HOERCHNER. If I were dealing with Anita at her present age, confidence, professional status, I would consider advising her to do something or say something. To be frank, I don't remember ever giving Anita advice about anything in my life.

Senator SIMPSON. I thank you, Mr. Chairman.

The CHAIRMAN. Thank you very much.

I have a few questions, and there are still some more, if you are prepared. Let me ask each of you to answer each of these questions, if you would.

Did Professor Hill ever complain to you that any other employer she had or anyone else other than the nominee had harassed her or had made unwanted sexual advances toward her, had asked her for a date, anything? Can anyone? Let's just go down the list. Judge?

Judge HOERCHNER. I will just repeat essentially the same thing that I said the last time I was asked that question. No, she has never complained of that. She was very poised and very capable of brushing off or laughing off unwanted sexual advances. In this situation, in part I am sure because of the great disparity in power, she was not able to successfully do that.

The CHAIRMAN. Ms. Wells.

Ms. WELLS. She has never described to me a situation similar to this or any way remotely similar to this, in terms of a work situation where a supervisor or a superior was making unwelcome advances.

The CHAIRMAN. Mr. Carr.

Mr. CARR. No, Senator.

The CHAIRMAN. Mr. Paul.

Mr. PAUL. No, Senator.

The CHAIRMAN. Now have any of you ever known, under any circumstances—and you are under oath—has there been any circumstance in your relationship at any time with Professor Hill where you have known her to lie? Judge?

Judge HOERCHNER. Absolutely not.

Ms. WELLS. Never.

Mr. CARR. Never.

Mr. PAUL. Absolutely not.

The CHAIRMAN. And it is an obvious question, but do any of you have any reason to believe, because there have been a lot of notions proffered here as to whether Professor Hill, who has obviously made an impression of sincerity on the committee as well as many other people, is doing anything other than simply telling the truth? Judge Thomas has come across as very forceful and sincere in his denials. Do you have any reason to believe that any of the reasons that have been offered here, raised here, suggested here over the last several days as you have watched this, amount to anything other than she is simply telling the truth and the facts as they occurred? Anyone?

Mr. PAUL. Senator, if there were any desire on the part of Professor Hill for some sort of advancement in the profession of legal