

ing 30, 40 hours, whatever it is we have been here, I can't imagine anybody would want to spend 30 or 40 minutes in this movie, and I don't really see that as a motivation.

But you did say one thing, and you were very emphatic on this answer, and I want to make sure I understood you right. You said that Judge Thomas never talked about sex matters at work. You were very emphatic about that. Is that right?

Ms. ALVAREZ. That is right.

Senator LEAHY. Including pornography or anything else?

Ms. ALVAREZ. Right.

Senator LEAHY. What about outside of work?

Ms. ALVAREZ. Clarence and I were friends. We had been friends for many, many years, personal friends. Our kids went to the same school together. I knew his wife. We were going through a divorce at the same time and everything else. We had the kind of confidences, personal conversations, that friends have, that close friends have, and any more than that really is not relevant. I mean, at the office we were colleagues and the friendship part of it never—

Senator LEAHY. Did you talk about pornography outside the office?

Ms. ALVAREZ. No, sir, we never did.

Senator LEAHY. Well, I am not sure I understand your answer. I am not really trying to trick you or anything here, but you said you didn't talk about pornography, didn't talk about sex matters at work. I asked you about outside of work, and—

Ms. ALVAREZ. And I am trying to explain to you that Clarence and I knew each other very well, and that we had a personal friendship.

Senator LEAHY. You didn't date?

Ms. ALVAREZ. No, sir.

Senator LEAHY. Do you want to add to that? I am not sure I understand. Do you know of him talking to anybody outside of work?

Ms. ALVAREZ. I am sorry. Say this again.

Senator LEAHY. Other than yourself, do you know of Clarence Thomas talking to people outside of work about either sex or pornography? Outside of yourself?

Ms. ALVAREZ. No, sir. I just know that with me we, we had a friendship and that was it. I mean, we shared conversations that close friends share when you are going through divorce, when you are going through raising kids, all those sorts of things. The typical things that close friends talk about.

Senator LEAHY. Thank you. OK. I just wanted to clear that up. And, Ms. Holt, you have certainly cleared up a question that was left hanging out here and I appreciate that.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

Senator KENNEDY. [presiding.] Senator Thurmond.

Senator THURMOND. I have one question I would like to ask Dr. Fitch.

Dr. Fitch, I believe you said that you visited Professor Hill in the hospital.

Ms. FITCH. Yes, I did.

Senator THURMOND. Do you know roughly when that was and why Professor Hill was there?