

by the Constitution and appreciates the difficult role a court must play as a constitutional arbiter in a democratic society.

It is my anticipation that Mr. Rehnquist, if he is confirmed, will serve with distinction and that history will judge him to be one of our greatest Justices.

Sincerely yours,

RALPH K. WINTER, JR.,  
Professor of Law.

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THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO,  
THE LAW SCHOOL,  
Chicago, Ill., November 10, 1971.

HON. JAMES O. EASTLAND,  
Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary, U.S. Senate,  
Washington, D.C.

DEAR SENATOR EASTLAND: I should like to express my warm support for the confirmation of William H. Rehnquist as Associate Justice of the Supreme Court.

Rehnquist was a student of mine at Stanford Law School. He was not only the top student in his class but one of the best students in the School over a number of years. He has remained in my mind as one of the most impressive students I have had in some twenty-two years of teaching.

I am confident that he is a fair-minded and objective man. Any suggestions of racism or prejudice are completely inconsistent with my recollections of him. Although I have had little contact with him in the intervening years, I have confirmed my impressions about both his intellectual quality and his objectivity with members of the Arizona bar whose judgment I respect.

I believe he would be an independent judge and that he would bring to the Court an unusual capacity for understanding and responding to all dimensions of the difficult problems the Supreme Court must confront. In my judgment his appointment would add great strength to the Court.

Sincerely,

PHIL C. NEAL, Dean.

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ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY,  
COLLEGE OF LAW,  
Tempe, Ariz., November 11, 1971.

HON. JAMES OLIVER EASTLAND,  
Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary, U.S. Senate,  
Washington, D.C.

DEAR SENATOR EASTLAND: I write to support the nomination of William H. Rehnquist to the Supreme Court of the United States. Neither his political party nor his political philosophy is mine. Nonetheless, he is a lawyer of such skill, intelligence and integrity that I was moved to approach him a year ago about the possibility of an academic career with the faculty of the College of Law of Arizona State University. He felt his commitment at the Department of Justice would not then permit him to consider such an appointment.

The qualities that would, in my judgment, have made him an excellent law professor should make him an excellent Justice of the United States Supreme Court. On that Court, charged with responsibility to serve the interests of all of the people in interpreting the Constitution of the United States and the laws of Congress, I am confident he will serve his country with great distinction.

Sincerely,

WILLARD H. PEDRICK, Dean.

The CHAIRMAN. Senator Fannin.

**STATEMENT OF HON. PAUL J. FANNIN, A SENATOR  
FROM THE STATE OF ARIZONA**

Senator FANNIN. Thank you.

Mr. Chairman and members of the committee, I am delighted to join with my colleagues, Senator Goldwater and Congressman Rhodes, in presenting to you Mr. William H. Rehnquist who has been nominated to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court.