

Resolved by the Board of Governors of the State Bar of Arizona that the said Board of Governors unanimously endorses the nomination and appointment of WILLIAM H. REHNQUIST as an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States; and be it further

Resolved, that the president of this association be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to proceed in an appropriate manner to communicate this endorsement to the Judiciary Committee of the United States Senate, including, but not limited to, an appearance by a representative of the State Bar of Arizona before such committee in support of Mr. Rehnquist's nomination and appointment.

The above resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Governors of the State Bar of Arizona at its meeting on October 23, 1971.

HOWARD H. KARMAN, *President.*

Attest:

ELDON L. HUSTED, *Executive Director.*

MOORE, ROMLEY, KAPLAN, ROBBINS & GREEN,
1600 ARIZONA TITLE BUILDING,
Phoenix, Ariz., October 27, 1971.

SEN. EDWARD W. BROOKE,
*Old Senate Office Building,
Washington, D.C.*

DEAR SENATOR BROOKE: As the Senate undertakes to deliberate upon President Nixon's recent nominations, I urge your favorable consideration of the appointment of William H. Rehnquist as Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court.

I have known Mr. Rehnquist well as a professional colleague for many years. He is an outstanding lawyer, completely thorough, scholarly, perceptive, articulate and possessed of the utmost integrity as well as a keen wit. He enjoys the highest respect of his fellow lawyers for his legal talent. There is, in my mind, no question about Mr. Rehnquist's legal qualifications to serve upon the Supreme Court.

Parentetically, I wish to state that I do not share much of Mr. Rehnquist's political views or philosophy. But that hardly detracts from his legal abilities or from my recognition of those abilities. Nor am I aware of any real basis for characterizing his views as extremist. Mr. Rehnquist is a consummate advocate, as any good lawyer must be. He states his views (or the views of those whom he represents) with the zeal of a skilled advocate. This is what he is trained to do, and should not be misunderstood as extremism.

For many years I have worked to build bridges of communication and understanding among our many groups of people in Phoenix. I have been, and am, most concerned with prejudice and discrimination against minority groups. In 1963, I was appointed by the Mayor to the City of Phoenix Human Relations Commission, which is dedicated to the elimination of this monstrous social disease. For several years I served as Chairman of the Commission. I have also served as President or Chairman of other organizations whose functions are to promote better human relations among all people. In all my years of intergroup relations in this community, I never once heard reference to Mr. Rehnquist as bearing hostility toward minority persons.

He did, as I recall, disagree with the content of certain proposed civil rights legislation at both the City and State levels. But unlike others, whose opposition was clearly suspect, Mr. Rehnquist's objections were based on legal grounds which he presented in a sincere fashion.

I do not profess to know everything Mr. Rehnquist has ever said or done. On the basis of what I do know, however, I believe that it is neither accurate nor fair to label him as a "racist," sophisticated or otherwise.

If desired by the Senate Judiciary Committee, I would be happy to appear and testify in greater detail in favor of the appointment of Mr. Rehnquist. By copy of this letter to Senator Eastland, I am informing him of my availability.

Yours very truly,

JARREL F. KAPLAN.