

Supreme Court of the United States
Washington, D. C. 20543

File

CHAMBERS OF
JUSTICE HARRY A. BLACKMUN

January 6, 1976

Dear Lewis,

*As I recall, it is four years tomorrow!
I think you know how pleased I am
that you are - and have been - here.*

Sincerely,

Harry

*Correspondence with
members of the Council*

January 6, 1976

MEMORANDUM TO THE CONFERENCE:

In the event you missed it, I know you will be interested in the enclosed article on Jim Rehnquist.

The article also tells us something about his father. I hope he never mistakes any of us for a "referee".

L.F.P., Jr.

SS

Young Rehnquist Supreme on Court

By Thomas Boswell
Washington Post Staff Writer

When a young man has the highest scoring average of any college basketball player in America and is the son of Supreme Court Justice William H. Rehnquist, he might expect special attention.

But Jim Rehnquist gets up each morning at 6:30 to inspect garbage disposals and throw out old coffee grounds for \$2.30 an hour.

"Amherst College is great to her athletes," says the cryptic junior, who supervises a wing of the college dining hall when he isn't scoring 35.5 points a game. "I hope the NCAA

never finds out about this cushy job."

Amherst, part of the "Little Three," would never give an athletic scholarship; the Lord Jeffs consider Ivy League sports a den of perdition.

A typical Amherst basketball crowd might include a dozen fraternity friends of the players, all studying biology during times-out, and the head of the English Department, Ben DeMott, roughing out a piece for the Saturday Review in the top bleacher row with his young son beside him. A good game against American International College might

attract a half-dozen jahlors to boot.

Nevertheless, Rehnquist has not regretted "falling in love" with Amherst the first time he sat on Memorial Hill and looked out over the Holyoke mountain range. Amherst recruited Rehnquist the same way it did Doug Swift, now of the Miami Dolphins, and Jean Fugett of the Dallas Cowboys. They were shown the new physics building and promised so much book work that they would never catch up.

"To satisfy myself, I would have liked to find out just how good a player I could have become," said Rehnquist.

"But I made the right decision. I've been happy here in other things."

Among the advantages are the constitutional and diplomatic history courses, the genetics labs and art lectures and the study of socialism and revisionism that he enjoys discussing with his father.

Not that the Justice does not follow basketball. He missed only one varsity game during his son's career at Langley High in suburban Virginia and that was "the day I was sworn in. By 8 o'clock that night I could barely stand on my feet," the elder Rehnquist said.

He dispatched his wife and two daughters to root for a victory that day. "Nancy," the father asks his older daughter, who is a star discus thrower at Langley now, "the night you and Mommy went without me, did they beat Hayfield?"

The Justice was not always so avid. "He didn't know anything about basketball when Jim made the team," said Langley coach Bob Pence. "But he learned fast and became vehemently opposed to what he thought were bad calls."

Once when Rehnquist got in early foul trouble, the furious father rose to his feet and

roared, "You blind son of a bitch" at the official.

"I looked back to reprimand the parent," recalled Pence. "I don't like that sort of thing from my fans. And there I was, face-to-face, glaring at a Supreme Court Justice."

"I've told my wife ever since, 'That proves even smart people can get carried away.'"

If young Rehnquist even felt a touch of the son-of-an-important-father syndrome, it disappeared at Amherst.

"Everybody levels off here," said Amherst athletic director Ben McCabe. "They

walk in the shadows of their fathers more at home than they do here."

Rehnquist's Amherst coach, Rick Wilson, is hardly impressed by names. "Yeah, he's one of my two luminaries," said Wilson. "I've also got Howie Cosell's nephew."

Yet Wilson loses his usual

Yankee, tight-lipped approach when he talks about Rehnquist. "He's one of the great shooters, a beautiful touch from everywhere. He's pleasant to watch. Somebody really did a job of teaching him to shoot."

That was the 5-foot-8 Pence, who stood on a chair and held a broomstick over the 6-3 Rehnquist's head to teach him

proper release.

His only problems offensively are in ball-handling skill and a surfeit of unselfishness. Wilson begs the small forward, who averaged 24 points a game last year after a 27-point year on the freshman team (Amherst still insists on freshman ball), to shoot more.

"I think he's taking this basketball business a little

more seriously of late," said Justice Rehnquist. "His mother and I went to Vermont to ski over Christmas and he said he'd rather stay in Washington and play in pickup basketball games. He didn't want to twist an ankle skiing. That's not like him."

Rehnquist has no illusions about pro basketball. "I'm not good enough," he said.

*other members
of Court*

February 20, 1976

Dear Potter:

In view of our discussions of the imperceptive and grudging editorials in the Times, I think you will be doubly interested in the enclosed letter (with attachments) from Professor Gunther. I would like them returned at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Mr. Justice Stewart

lfp/ss

Cocoy

February 20, 1976

Dear Thurgood,

Thank you for giving me the opportunity of looking at the two plaques you received on your recent visit to the Thurgood Marshall School of Law in Houston.

I warmly agree with that conferred by the Student Bar Association. I have said publicly that, when the proper history is written of our time, you will be recognized as having done more to assure freedom for the Negro race than any other.

It also may surprise you to know that I endorse the quotation on the other plaque as to the fundamental importance of education.

Very few lawyers have lived to see a law school named after them. This is a signal honor, and no one deserves it more than you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Justice Marshall

lfp/ss

Supreme Court of the United States
Washington, D. C. 20543

CHAMBERS OF
JUSTICE THURGOOD MARSHALL

February 23, 1976

Dear Harry:

I will be with you on Monday, May 17th.

Thanks.

Sincerely,

JM.

Mr. Justice Blackmun

Copies to the Conference

Count

April 29, 1976

Dear Potter:

This is the reminder you requested to have Cathe Skefos call George Hamilton.

The dinner last night at the Alibi was delightful. I continue to be ever so grateful to you for this new, interesting dimension to my Washington life.

As ever,

Mr. Justice Stewart

lfp/ss

Court

May 26, 1976

MEMORANDUM TO THE CONFERENCE:

Attached hereto are brief biographical summaries on the two new Fifth Circuit Judges: James C. Hill and Gerald B. Tjoflat - both promoted from the District bench.

Both are highly regarded in the Fifth Circuit.

L.F.P., Jr.

Court

June 16, 1976

Dear Thurgood:

The current issue of Time has just been brought to my attention.

I write to express my indignation at several statements in the article on page 48 entitled "Justice in Arrears", and particularly the wholly erroneous and unfair comment about you and your law clerks. So far as I can recall, you have not missed a single day this Term on account of illness. But my major concern is the unjust characterization of the work of your law clerks.

My own observation, which I am confident is shared by others, is that your clerks this Term are excellent. Moreover, they certainly have the full respect of their peers among the other clerks.

Of course, the article's focus on the number of opinions "brought down" at any particular time is irrational to anyone familiar with or thoughtful about the way the Court must function.

Please say to your fine clerks that this unjustified libelous inference is a reflection on Time and certainly not on them.

Sincerely,

Mr. Justice Marshall

lfp/ss

Justice in Arrears

The Supreme Court, like many lower courts in the land, is mortifyingly behind in its work. Only once has the court found it necessary to delay beyond the end of June adjudication of a case argued during its regular nine-month term. That came two years ago in the Detroit cross-district school segregation controversy, a case of extraordinary complexity. Moreover, the Justices were then on the threshold of one of the most important cases in Supreme Court history, the U.S. vs. Richard Nixon. But even with eleven decisions announced last week, the court still has not rendered judgments in 72 of the 179 cases argued this year. Thus an unprecedented spillover of court decisions into July appears increasingly inevitable.

What has gone wrong? Chief Justice Warren Burger has long complained that the high court workload is too much for nine mortal judges, and that some way must be found to reduce the burden, such as a new intermediate National Court of Appeals or a statutory

reduction in Supreme Court jurisdiction.

That is Burger's diagnosis. Some staff personnel at the court privately offer three *ad hominem* explanations for the slowdown: the Chief Justice himself, Associate Justice Thurgood Marshall and Associate Justice Harry Blackmun. Burger's numerous off-court activities have cut sharply into his time for court work. Justice Marshall has been frequently ill this term, and the work of his law clerks on whom he has relied in the past for excellent writing has been uneven.

Frequent Forays. The prime offender, however, is seen to be Justice Blackmun, a slow writer and ponderous thinker, who not only weighs his opinions meticulously but writes them out in longhand. An extremely effective and popular public speaker, Blackmun has made frequent forays on the creamed chicken circuit all over the country this spring. Before tackling the court's work this week, he was off to Emory University in Georgia to accept yet another honorary degree. While the six other full-term Justices on the court have each

published between ten and 13 majority opinions, Marshall has announced only seven and Blackmun but six.

Of eleven decisions handed down last week, one involving airline overbooking gladdened every passenger who has ever been bumped off a flight (see box). Other noteworthy cases settled:

► In a split (5-4) decision, the court found that state, county and city governments have wide authority to fire their employees without first granting due process protections of specific charges and hearings. Government workers, wrote Justice John Paul Stevens for the majority, have no property interest in their jobs unless state law specifically so provides. "We must accept the harsh fact that numerous individual mistakes are inevitable in the day-to-day administration of our affairs."

► In a 7-2 decision (Brennan and Marshall dissenting), the court indicated a perceptible shift, still somewhat unclear as to practical effect, in the course of race relations law charted by the Warren court. The case came up on a challenge of the District of Columbia police

A Big Bump for Bumping

The seasoned air traveler acquires a high tolerance for most man-made frustrations. He can take in stride the long check-in lines, extended circling in approach patterns while the air traffic thins out, missed connections, even an occasional trip by his suitcase to Chicago after he got off at Memphis. There is one experience, however, that never fails to boil him: being "bumped" off a flight on which he holds a valid ticket and confirmed reservation. The odds against its happening, according to the airlines, are 2,000 to 1, but given the numbers of Americans who fly each year, those odds translate into a sizable contingent of very angry people.

One such passenger, on April 28, 1972, was Ralph Nader, *bête noir* of the American business establishment, who showed up at the Washington National Airport just five minutes before Allegheny Airlines flight 864 was to take off for Hartford. Nader was on a tight schedule to appear at two consumer rallies in Connecticut. He had no seat.

Nader demanded to know whether standby passengers had been boarded, was told instead that the airline would fly him to Philadelphia by air taxi to connect with another flight due to arrive in Hartford two hours later. This Nader refused, and in due course he filed suit against Allegheny.

It turned out that Allegheny had sold 107 tickets for the 100 seats on flight 864, typical of industry practice designed to compensate for "no-shows." The central issue of Nader's suit was a charge of fraudulent misrepresentation by the airline in failing to notify passengers of deliberate overbooking.

In the first finding in the suit, U.S. District Judge Charles Richey awarded Nader \$10 in compensatory damages and \$25,000 in punitive damages; another \$51 compensatory and \$25,000 punitive damages went to the Connecticut citizens group that sponsored the rallies Nader was unable to reach. However, the Circuit Court of Appeals set aside this judgment, holding that lawsuits like Nader's should not be decided until the Civil Aeronautics Board, which has been studying the mirror evils of no-show and overbooking for years, had more time to rule on appropriate penalties for overbooking. But last week the Supreme Court, in a unanimous opinion written by Justice Lewis F. Powell, ruled with Nader and the legions of the bumped. Their common-law right to sue, without further reference to the CAB, was affirmed.

PASSENGER RALPH NADER IN FLIGHT

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June 22, 1976

Dear Harry,

Although I have spoken to you about the grossly unfair article in last week's Time magazine, I write this note for your file.

I think the record should show that your colleagues and clerks - the people who know the facts - regard the Time article as a blend of fiction and libel which, unhappily, is not unique in what many in the media write and say.

With admiration and affection.

As ever,

Mr. Justice Blackmun

lfp/ss

Count

July 6, 1976

Dear Thurgood:

I was shocked and distressed to learn that you had had a health set-back.

As I was in Richmond for the weekend, I did not learn about your illness until we assembled in the robing room this morning. The Chief Justice had tried unsuccessfully to reach me.

The Chief reported, to the relief of all of us, that the doctors view your condition as entirely satisfactory, and advised that - after the usual recuperation period - you will be free to return to your normal duties and activities.

It may cheer you a bit to know that my father had a massive heart attack at age 74. After a long period of hospitalization, he returned to a normal and active life. He lived another 20 years, dying at age 94, with no reoccurrence of any heart problem.

We will be in Richmond, but if you think of any errands that I can run for you, I can be back in Washington in a matter of a few hours. Meanwhile, Jo and I send you affectionate best wishes.

As ever,

Mr. Justice Marshall

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July 6, 1976

Dear John:

As this Term draws to a close, I want you to know that - in my opinion - the highlight of the Term has been your joining the Court.

You demonstrated immediately a high degree of competency as a lawyer and judge, and it is evident already that you add strength to the Court. Perhaps even more important in one sense is the personal satisfaction we all derive from working with you. It also is obvious that you are a "team player", concerned with the functioning of the Court as an institution.

All of us, wives included, think that Betty also is a splendid addition to the Court family.

Sincerely,

Mr. Justice Stevens

Court

July 13, 1976

Dear Potter:

I enclose two or three clippings which may be of interest. Those on the capital cases are generally favorable, especially inasmuch as they quote from our opinions.

The Post editorial criticizing the Court for "curtailing privacy" is about as one-sided as some of our dissenting opinions.

I am back in Washington for a couple of days after spending most of last week in Richmond. Thurgood seems to be doing very well, and is out of intensive care. Harry and John are the only other Justices here at the Court.

Jo and I were in Charlottesville Saturday for the visit of the Queen and the Duke to the University of Virginia. They were received warmly (by the weather and the crowd), and seemed to be appreciative. The Queen dresses almost as smartly as Andy.

My best to you both.

As ever,

Mr. Justice Stewart
Bowen Brook Farm
Franconia, New Hampshire 03580

LFP/gg

August 12, 1976

Dear Bill:

The enthusiastic admirers who converged on you following your address Monday evening were so numerous that I despaired of being able to speak to you.

I wanted to say that I thought your talk was superb in every respect. It was appropriate for the audience, thoughtful and attractively delivered. I was proud of you,

We only wished that you and Nan could have stayed in Atlanta longer, although I respect (not without some envy) your reason for returning to the cool hills of Vermont.

We look forward to seeing you and Nan in September.

As ever.

Mr. Justice William H. Rehnquist
Associate Justice
United States Supreme Court
Supreme Court Building
Washington, D. C. 20543

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Court

August 12, 1976

Dear Thurgood:

You were greatly missed at the annual banquet of the College on August 7th.

The announcement of your Honorary Fellowship was most warmly received. President Tom Deacy madeaa complimentary and graceful presentation, and I accepted the Fellowship on your behalf. I enclose a copy of the substance of what I said.

I have the plaque which was presented, and will deliver it to you when I return to the Court in September.

My best to you and Cissy.

As ever.

Mr. Justice Thurgood Marshall
Associate Justice
United States Supreme Court
Supreme Court Building
Washington, D. C. 20543

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Enclosure

C/I ; Lord High Chancellor of G/B; Lord
Other friends from ~~abroad~~ abroad; G/I;
Master of Rolls

JUSTICE THURGOOD MARSHALL

Talked to T M earlier this week.

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QUOTE HIS WORDS:

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"PLEASE CONVEY MY DEEP APPRECIATION TO

THE COLLEGE FOR THIS HIGH HONOR. I LONG

HAVE HAD THE GREATEST ADMIRATION FOR THE

COLLEGE AND ITS MEMBERS, SO MANY OF WHOM

ARE GOOD FRIENDS OF MINE. I REGRET NOT

BEING ABLE TO BE WITH YOU IN PERSON."

/E

President Deacy has given you

THE CITATION THAT HAS BEEN READ TO YOU GIVES THE

HIGHLIGHTS OF JUSTICE MARSHALL'S REMARKABLE CAREER:

[2 AUG. 12, 1974]

member of
Court

August 18, 1976

Dear Harry:

Jo and I had a pleasant but intensely active six days at the American Bar Association meeting in Atlanta. I saw Sally and Mike only once. They were in the audience when I spoke at a program sponsored by the National Legal Aid and Defender Association, and I had a few words with them before my talk. Sally looked quite lovely. During the course of the meeting I had occasion to talk to several students and faculty members from Emory. All spoke most warmly of Sally. And Smythe Gambrell gave me a glowing report on Michael.

The ABA meeting, as you would expect, was no place for a rest. I ended up being persuaded to take part in several programs. These, plus the usual formalities and social events, added up to a rather exhausting six days.

I made the New York Times when I gave Leslie Oelsner an interview she had been requesting for some months on the changes in our lifestyle that had been brought about by my appointment to the Court and moving to Washington. The trivia that was published has afforded amusement to friends here in Richmond, especially the comment that Jo "could not boil water" before she came to Washington. As Dottie will understand, Jo was not entirely enchanted by that observation, especially since Leslie did not also add that Jo has learned to be quite a creditable cook.

August 18, 1976

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I do hope you and Dottie are having the genuine rest that I know you need. I also hope that Dottie has fully recovered, although I must say I thought she looked fine in June.

As ever,

Mr. Justice Harry A. Blackmun
c/o Dr. D. C. Connolly
Route 1
Hayward, Wisconsin 54843

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Supreme Court of the United States
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CHAMBERS OF
JUSTICE HARRY A. BLACKMUN

August 23, 1976

Dear Lewis:

I very much appreciate your letter of August 18 with its report about the American Bar Association meeting. I can easily understand how strenuous it must have been, but it is a great service you are performing there. I feel a little guilty about not accepting at least one of the invitations to go to Atlanta, but perhaps another time. It was good of you also to give me a report of Sally and Michael. She told us that they had a most enjoyable time, but that they too found the week a strenuous one.

I understand your reaction to the New York Times article. Most of it was reproduced in the Minneapolis Sunday Tribune of August 15, but you may assure Jo that the reference to boiling water was omitted. Jo did not deserve the reference, but one never knows what these reporters think is significant or "newsworthy." This is being dictated by telephone, and Mrs. Bartlett will add my name at the end. Dottie and I have been fortunate in having fine weather here in Wisconsin, and feel much the better for the respite. I guess we needed it. She will check in at the Clinic tomorrow for another test, but it seems she is doing remarkably well.

Sincerely,

Harry A. Blackmun
(by sjb)

Mr. Justice Powell

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Supreme Court of the United States
Washington, D. C. 20543

CHAMBERS OF
JUSTICE LEWIS F. POWELL, JR.

September 2, 1976

FILE COPY

PLEASE RETURN
TO FILE

MEMORANDUM TO THE CONFERENCE:

Here are copies of the two talks I made at the
ABA meeting in Atlanta.

L.F.P.

L.F.P., Jr.

SS

Court

September 10, 1976

Swine Flu Shots

Dear Harry:

You may recall that, when Hugh Butt was here last spring, he mentioned the desirability of taking the swine flu shots.

My recollection is that he indicated a desire (willingness) to arrange for his patients here at the Court to take the shots. I wonder whether you discussed this with Hugh when you were in Rochester.

Normally, at this season of the year, Jo and I have taken the flu shots administered by Beckie.

I would welcome your advice.

Sincerely,

Mr. Justice Blackmun

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CHAMBERS OF
JUSTICE HARRY A. BLACKMUN

September 15, 1976

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Dear Lewis:

This is in response to your note of September 10. I have now spoken with Dr. Butt about swine flu shots. The material, as you know, is not yet generally available. It is expected that it will be generally available soon, here as well as at the Mayo Clinic. The doctor says that the situation will be carefully evaluated there before Mayo's indulge in any wide-spread dispensation. He suggested the following:

1. Each of us should proceed with the regular flu shots this year as in other years.
2. When Mayo's evaluation is made, he will let me know and we should then (if it is favorable, as it is anticipated) proceed to take the swine flu shots. He expects that any reaction will be minimal, and he said definitely that there is no incompatibility between the two types.
3. He will protect us in the event of a shortage.

Sincerely,

Harry
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Mr. Justice Powell

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September 15, 1976

Dear Blackmun Clerks (Diane, Bill,
Dick and Richard),

I write to say again how much I enjoyed
lunch with you on Monday.

You introduced me to an attractive
new restaurant; I enjoyed our light-hearted
conversation; and, particularly, I welcomed
the opportunity to know my new neighbors -
and one "old" neighbor - better.

I have said to your Justice that I
think he has a fine "crop" of clerks
this year.

Sincerely,

Supreme Court of the United States
Washington, D. C. 20543

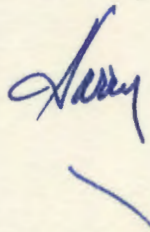
CHAMBERS OF
JUSTICE HARRY A. BLACKMUN

September 17, 1976

Dear Lewis:

I hope that Sunday, September 19, will not find you in the building. This note is merely to wish you and Jo a happy day for your 69th. And may the year ahead be rewarding and satisfying too.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Harry", with a short horizontal line underneath.

Mr. Justice Powell

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September 17, 1976

Dear Potter:

The Harvard applicant whom I mentioned to you, now clerking for Carl McGowan is Miles N. Ruthberg. I selected another Harvard applicant (Robert Comfort) largely because he is clerking for Judge Hunter on CA3. I have never had a clerk from that Circuit, whereas I have had one or more every year from CADC.

In my view, Ruthberg and Comfort were a toss-up - both bright and impressive.

Of the several Yale applicants whom I interviewed, I thought Keith P. Ellison was outstanding. Again, largely because of a desire to "diversify" I did not go back to Yale this year. But I thought Ellison was as good as anyone whom I interviewed.

Sincerely,

Mr. Justice Stewart

lfp/ss

Court

September 22, 1976

Dear Bill,

It is distressing to me and all of your other friends that you have had a bit of a setback with your hip.

Until this occurred, the news reaching me has been most heartening. I continue to admire the courage and fortitude with which you have accepted your partial disability, and your determination to carry forward the important task of recording your fabulous experience in government and on the Court.

It may interest you to know that my father, at age 91, underwent the same operation - and joint replacement - that you experienced. He also had a good deal of trouble initially, but in the end was able to move about quite well with the aid of a "walker".

We do indeed miss you here, and pray for your early return.

As ever,

Mr. Justice Douglas

lfp/ss

Count

October 1, 1976

Dear Thurgood:

Mr. McGurn requested permission from me to print, in the Docket Sheet, the comments I made at the banquet of the American College of Trial Lawyers when I received your Honorary Fellowship.

I was happy to give my consent, but I now understand that you have some reluctance about this being printed.

I do hope you will give this further thought. My remarks were made at a public meeting, before an audience of about 1,000 lawyers, judges and spouses. The Docket Sheet is a "family publication", and I am sure that the people who work here would be interested. I would like for them to know what your colleagues think about you.

My suggestion is that you leave this to Mr. McGurn and me, and we will make the decision.

As ever,

Mr. Justice Marshall

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Note in front Justice Rehnquist

Supreme Court of the United States
Memorandum

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Lewis

It has to be a
wonderful day for
Jo & you - My
congratulations both
to them & to both of you
Paul

This memo was passed to
me on the Bench the day
Molly & Kit were admitted
to Supreme Court Bar on
my motion - Nov 1976
It was a
wonderful day.

T. F. P.

Supreme Court of the United States
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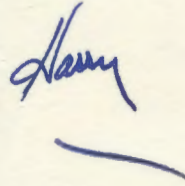
CHAMBERS OF
JUSTICE HARRY A. BLACKMUN

December 13, 1976

Dear Lewis:

You recall that you have an outstanding invitation to join the Eighth Circuit for its annual conference. It is scheduled this year for June 29 - July 2 at Kansas City. For once, this does not coincide with the Fourth Circuit Conference, scheduled June 23 - 25. I appreciate how rough that time of year is, but I hope that you and Jo can join us at the Eighth Circuit some time. Perhaps it could be this year.

Sincerely,



Mr. Justice Powell

Curt

December 14, 1976

Dear Harry:

As always, you are most thoughtful and generous.

But again I think it best to decline your invitation to attend the Eighth Circuit Conference. Although it does not conflict with the Fourth Circuit Conference, I find it difficult to face, when we finally conclude in June, the prospect of a long trip to a meeting where there would be the pressures of meeting new people.

The Fourth Circuit Conference that meets either at the Homestead or the Greenbrier, attended by friends almost of a lifetime, is a thoroughly relaxing experience.

I do want to know the Eighth Circuit Judges, and one of these years I will try to muster the requisite energy. But memories of last June and early July remain too vivid at this time.

I know Jo will join me in thanking you for the invitation.

Sincerely,

Mr. Justice Blackmun

lfp/ss



"CINCH RING"
 Painted by Charles M. Russell 1864-1926
 CMR title, copyrighted June 28, 1909

[c. 1976]

Dear Lewis,

Marion and I had a great time at
your dinner party for the Skovens. Everything
was just right. We appreciated being there.

Also, please join me in Doyle & Wood #'s
75-5014 and 75-5015. This will put a new flavor in your
case files.

Sincerely
Byron