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September 7, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

FRED F. FIELDING

COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT:

Nomination of Ronald E. Meredith to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Kentucky

The Attorney General, Deputy Attorney General, Edwin Meese, James Baker, John Herrington, M.B. Oglesby and Fred F. Fielding recommend that you nominate Ronald E. Meredith to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Kentucky. In 1981 you appointed Mr. Meredith to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky. Prior to his appointment as U.S. Attorney, he was a partner in the law firm of Kelley and Meredith (1975-1981); Legislative Assistant to United States Senator Marlow W. Cook (1972-1975); and Minority Counsel, United States Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on National Penitentiaries (1971-1972). Mr. Meredith received a B.A. degree in 1967 from Georgetown College and a J.D. degree in 1971 from the National Law Center, George Washington University. He was admitted to the District of Columbia Far and the Fentucky State Far in 1971. Me is 38 years old, married and has four children. His resume is attached at Tab A.

#### RECOMMENDATION:

- 1. That you call Mr. Meredith (telephone recommendation attached at Tab B).
- 2. That you sign the nomination at Tab C.

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#### MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Recommended Telephone Call

TO:

Ronald E. Meredith

TELEPHONE:

Home: 502 737-3227 Office: 502 582-5911

DATE TO CALL:

Monday, September 10, 1984

RECOMMENDED BY:

The Attorney General, Deputy Attorney General, Edwin Meese III, James A. Baker, III, John Herrington, M.B. Oglesby and Fred F. Fielding

PURPOSE:

To ask him to serve as a United States District Judge for the Western District of Kentucky

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION:

1. In 1981 you appointed Mr. Meredith to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky. Prior to his appointment as U.S. Attorney, he was a partner in the law firm of Kelley and Meredith (1975-1981); Legislative Assistant to United States Senator Marlow W. Cook (1972-1975); and Minority Counsel, United States Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on National Penitentiaries (1971-1972).

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- 2. He received a B.A. degree in 1967 from Georgetown College and a J.D. degree in 1971 from the National Law Center, George Washington University. He was admitted to the District of Columbia Bar and the Kentucky State Bar in 1971.
- 3. Mr. Meredith is 38 years old, his wife's name is Joanne, they have four children and reside in Elizabethtown, Kentucky.

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September 7, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

FRED F. FIELDING

COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT:

Nomination of Walter S. Smith, Jr. to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Texas

The Attorney General, Deputy Attorney General, Edwin Meese, James Baker, John Herrington, M.B. Oglesby and Fred F. Fielding recommend that you nominate Walter S. Smith, Jr. to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Texas. Since 1983 Mr. Smith has served as a partner in the law firm of Vaughn, Terrell, Lynn & Crowden. In addition, he has served as a part-time United States Magistrate for the Western District of Texas since 1983. Prior to joining the above firm, he was a Judge, 54th Judicial District Court of McLennan County (1980-1982); a partner in the firm Fulbright, Winniford, Bice & Marable (1978-1980); a partner in the firm Wallace & Smith (1969-1978) and an associate with the law firm of Dunnan & Dunnan (1966-1969). Mr. Smith received a B.A. degree in 1964 and a LL.B. degree in 1966 from Baylor University. He was admitted to the Texas State Bar in 1966. He is 43 years old, married and has two children. resume is attached at Tab A.

# RECOMMENDATION:

- That you call Mr. Smith (telephone recommendation attached at Tab B).
- That you sign the nomination at Tab C.

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#### MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Recommended Telephone Call

TO:

Walter S. Smith, Jr.

TELEPHONE:

Home: 817 776-7705 Office: 817 752-0395

DATE TO CALL:

Monday, September 10, 1984

RECOMMENDED BY:

The Attorney General, Deputy Attorney General, Edwin Meese III, James A. Baker, III, John Herrington, M.B. Oglesby and Fred F. Fielding

PURPOSE:

To ask him to serve as United States District Judge for the Western District of Texas

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION:

- 1. Since 1983 Mr. Smith has served as a partner in the law firm of Vaughn, Terrell, Lynn & Crowden. In addition, he has served as a part-time United States Magistrate for the Western District of Texas since 1983. Prior to joining the above firm, he was a Judge, 54th Judicial District Court of McLennan County (1980-1982); a partner in the firm Fulbright, Winniford, Bice & Marable (1978-1980); a partner in the firm Wallace & Smith (1969-1978) and an associate with the law firm of Dunnan & Dunnan (1966-1969).
- 2. Mr. Smith received a B.A. degree in 1964 and a LL.B. degree in 1966 from Baylor University. He was admitted to the Texas State Bar in 1966.
- 3. He is 43 years old, his wife's name is Jill, they have two children and reside in Waco, Texas.

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September 7, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

FRED F. FIELDING

COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT:

Nomination of R. Allan Edgar

to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Tennessee

The Attorney General, Deputy Attorney General, Edwin Meese, James Baker, John Herrington, M.B. Oglesby and Fred F. Fielding recommend that you nominate R. Allan Edgar to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Tennessee. F Mr. Edgar has been in the practice of law with the firm of Miller and Martin as an associate (1967-1972) and as a partner (1972-He served as a Member of the Tennessee House of Representatives from 1971 to 1972. Mr. Edgar received an A.B. degree in 1962 from Davidson College and a LL.B. degree in 1965 from Duke University, School of Law. He was admitted to the Tennessee State Bar in 1965. He is 43 years old, married and has two His resume is attached at Tab A. children.

#### RECOMMENDATION:

- 1. That you call Mr. Edgar (telephone recommendation attached at Tab B).
- That you sign the nomination at Tab C.

Infototress Office: (Sandy Sidey) at 4.45pm, 9/10/84

Announced 9/11/84 (10:10am)

Jo Senate: 9/11/84

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#### MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Recommended Telephone Call

TO:

R. Allan Edgar

TELEPHONE:

Home: 615 821-6449 Office: 615 756-6600

DATE TO CALL:

Monday, September 10, 1984

RECOMMENDED BY:

The Attorney General, Deputy Attorney General, Edwin Meese III, James A. Baker, III, John Herrington, M.B. Oglesby and Fred F. Fielding

PURPOSE:

To ask him to serve as United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Tennessee

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION:

- 1. Since 1967 Mr. Edgar has been in the practice of law with the firm of Miller and Martin as an associate (1967-1972) and as a partner (1972-present). He served as a Member of the Tennessee House of Representatives from 1971 to 1972.
- 2. Mr. Edgar received an A.B. degree in 1962 from Davidson College and a LL.B. degree in 1965 from Duke University, School of Law. He was admitted to the Tennessee State Bar in 1965.
- 3. Mr. Edgar is 43 years old, his wife's name is Frances, they have two children and reside in Lookout Mountain, Tennessee.

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September 7, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

FRED F. FIELDING

COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT:

Nomination of George La Plata

to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan

The Attorney General, Deputy Attorney General, Edwin Meese, James Baker, John Herrington, M.B. Oglesby and Fred F. Fielding recommend that you nominate George La Plata to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan. Since 1979 Judge La Plata has served on the Oakland County Circuit Court. Prior to his appointment to the court, he was in the private practice of law in West Bloomfield, 1972-1979; was a partner in the law firm of La Plata, Finnen & Koscinski, 1962-1972; and a trial practitioner with the Law Offices of George Menendez, 1956-1962. Judge La Plata currently holds the permanent rank of Colonel with thirty-five years of active and reserve service. He received an A.B. degree in 1951 from Wayne State University and a LL.B. degree in 1956 from Detroit College of Law. He was admitted to the Michigan State Bar in 1956. He is 59 years old, married and has two children. His resume is attached at Tab A.

# RECOMMENDATION:

- That you call Judge La Plata (telephone recommendation attached at Tab B).
- That you sign the nomination at Tab C.

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#### MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Recommended Telephone Call

TO:

George La Plata

TELEPHONE:

Home: 313 682-8074 Office: 313 858-5081

DATE TO CALL:

Monday, September 10, 1984

RECOMMENDED BY:

The Attorney General, Deputy Attorney General, Edwin Meese III, James A. Baker, III, John Herrington, M.B. Oglesby

and Fred F. Fielding

PURPOSE:

To ask him to serve as United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION:

- 1. Since 1979 Judge La Plata has served on the Oakland County Circuit Court. Prior to his appointment to the court, he was in the private practice of law in West Bloomfield, 1972-1979; was a partner in the law firm of La Plata, Finnen & Koscinski, 1962-1972; and a trial practitioner with the Law Offices of George Menendez, 1956-1962. Judge La Plata currently holds the permanent rank of Colonel with thirty-five years of active and reserve service.
- 2. Judge La Plata received an A.B. degree in 1951 from Wayne State University and a LL.B. degree in 1956 from Detroit College of Law. He was admitted to the Michigan State Bar in 1956.
- 3. He is 59 years old, his wife's name is Frances, they have two children and reside in West Bloomfield, Michigan.

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September 7, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

FRED F. FIELDING

COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT:

Nomination of William G. Young to be United States District Judge for the District of Massachusetts

The Attorney General, Deputy Attorney General, Edwin Meese, James Baker, John Herrington, M.B. Oglesby and Fred F. Fielding recommend that you nominate William G. Young to be United States District Judge for the District of Massachusetts. Since 1978 Judge Young has served as an Associate Justice of the Superior Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Prior to his appointment to the Superior Court, he was an associate and partner in the law firm of Bingham, Dana & Gould (1975-1978 and 1968-1972); Chief Counsel to the Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (1972-1974); a Special Assistant Attorney General, Commonwealth of Massachusetts (1970-1972); and a law clerk to the Honorable Raymond S. Wilkins, Massachusetts Supreme Court (1967-Judge Young received an A.B. degree in 1962 from Harvard 1968). College and a LL.B. degree in 1967 from Harvard Law School. He was admitted to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Bar in 1967. He is 43 years old, married and has three children. His resume is attached at Tab A.

#### RECOMMENDATION:

- 1. That you call Judge Young (telephone recommendation attached at Tab B).
- 2. That you sign the nomination at Tab C.

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#### MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Recommended Telephone Call

TO:

William G. Young

TELEPHONE:

Home: 617 449-2463 Office: 617 725-8130

DATE TO CALL:

Monday, September 10, 1984

RECOMMENDED BY:

The Attorney General, the Deputy Attorney General, Edwin Meese, James A. Baker, John Herrington, M.B. Oglesby and Fred F. Fielding

PURPOSE:

To ask him to serve as United States District Judge for the District of Massachusetts

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION:

- 1. Since 1978 Judge Young has served as an Associate Justice of the Superior Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Prior to his appointment to the Superior Court, he was an associate and partner in the law firm of Bingham, Dana & Gould (1975-1978 & 1968-1972); Chief Counsel to the Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (1972-1974); a Special Assistant Attorney General, Commonwealth of Massachusetts (1970-1972); and a law clerk to the Honorable Raymond S. Wilkins, Massachusetts Supreme Court (1967-1968).
- 2. Judge Young received an A.B. degree in 1962 from Harvard College and a LL.B. degree in 1967 from Harvard Law School. He was admitted to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Bar in 1967.
- 3. He is 43 years old, his wife's name is Beverly, they have three children and reside in Needham, Massachusetts.



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September 7, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

FRED F. FIELDING

COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT:

Nomination of F.A. Little, Jr.

to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana

The Attorney General, Deputy Attorney General, Edwin Meese, James Baker, John Herrington, M.B. Oglesby and Fred F. Fielding recommend that you nominate F.A. Little, Jr. to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana. Since 1965 Mr. Little has been in the practice of law with the firm of Gold, Little, Simon, Weems & Bruser, Ltd., P.A. (formerly Gold, Hall & Skye) as an associate and as a partner. He was an associate with the law firm of Chaffe, McCall, Phillips, Tolar & Sarpy from 1961 to 1965. Mr. Little received a B.A. degree in 1958 from Tulane University and a LL.B. degree in 1961 from Tulane University Law School. He was admitted to the Louisiana State Bar in 1961. He is 47 years old, married and has two children. His resume is attached at Tab A.

### RECOMMENDATION:

- That you call Mr. Little (telephone recommendation attached at Tab B).
- That you sign the nomination at Tab C.

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#### MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Recommended Telephone Call

TO:

F.A. Little, Jr.

TELEPHONE:

Home: 318 443-1529 Office: 318 445-6471

DATE TO CALL:

Monday, September 10, 1984

RECOMMENDED BY:

The Attorney General, Deputy Attorney General, Edwin Meese III, James A. Baker, III, John Herrington, M.B. Oglesby and Fred F. Fielding

PURPOSE:

To ask him to serve as United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION:

- 1. Since 1965 Mr. Little has been in the practice of law with the firm of Gold, Little, Simon, Weems & Bruser, Ltd., P.A. (formerly Gold, Hall & Skye) as an associate and as a partner. He was an associate with the law firm of Chaffe, McCall, Phillips, Tolar & Sarpy from 1961 to 1965.
- 2. Mr. Little received a B.A. degree in 1958 from Tulane University and a LL.B. degree in 1961 from Tulane University Law School. He was admitted to the Louisiana State Bar in 1961.
- 3. He is 47 years old, his wife's name is Elizabeth, they have two children and reside in Alexandria, Louisiana.

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September 7, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

FRED F. FIELDING

COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT:

Nomination of William D. Keller

to be a United States District Judge for the Central District of California

The Attorney General, Deputy Attorney General, Edwin Meese, James Baker, John Herrington, M.B. Oglesby and Fred F. Fielding recommend that you nominate William D. Keller to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California. 1981 Mr. Keller has been in the practice of law with the firm of Hahn & Cazier. Prior to joining Hahn & Cazier, he was in the private practice of law in Los Angeles (1978-1981); a partner in the law firm of Rosenfeld, Meyer & Susman (1977-1978); United States Attorney for the Central District of California (1972-1977); an associate and then partner in the law firm of. Dryden, Harrington and Swartz (1964-1972); and an assistant United States Attorney for the Southern District of California (1961-1964). Mr. Keller received a B.A. degree in 1956 from the University of California and a LL.B. degree in 1960 from U.C.L.A. He was admitted to the California State Bar in 1961. Mr. Keller is 49 years old, divorced and has three children. His resume is attached at Tab A.

### RECOMMENDATION:

- That you call Mr. Keller (telephone recommendation attached at Tab B).
- That you sign the nomination at Tab C.

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#### MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Recommended Telephone Call

TO:

William D. Keller

TELEPHONE:

Home: 213 933-1550 Office: 213 485-9001

DATE TO CALL:

Monday, September 10, 1984

RECOMMENDED BY:

The Attorney General, Deputy Attorney General, Edwin Meese III, James A. Baker, III, John Herrington, M.B. Oglesby and Fred F. Fielding

PURPOSE:

To ask him to serve as a United States District Judge for the Central District of California

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION:

- 1. Since 1981 Mr. Keller has been in the practice of law with the firm of Hahn & Cazier. Prior to joining Hahn & Cazier, he was in the private practice of law in Los Angeles (1978-1981); a partner in the law firm of Rosenfeld, Meyer & Susman (1977-1978); United States Attorney for the Central District of California (1972-1977); an associate and then partner in the law firm of Dryden, Harrington & Swartz (1964-1972); and an Assistant United States Attorney for the Southern District of California (1961-1964).
- 2. He received an B.A. degree in 1956 from the University of California and a LL.B. degree in 1960 from U.C.L.A. He was admitted to the California State Bar in 1961.
- 3. Mr. Keller is 49 years old, he has three children and resides in Los Angeles.

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### THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 12, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

FRED F. FIELDING

COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT:

Nomination of Herman J. Weber

to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Ohio

The Attorney General, Deputy Attorney General, Edwin Meese, James Baker, John Herrington, M.B. Oglesby and Fred F. Fielding recommend that you nominate Herman J. Weber to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Ohio. Since 1982 Judge Weber has served on the Second District Court of Appeals of Ohio. Prior to his appointment to the appeals court, he was a Judge, Common Pleas Court, Green County (1961-1982); a partner in the law firm of Weber, Hogue & McCarthy (1959-1961); a partner in the law firm of Weber & Hogue (1953-1959); and in the private practice of law (1952). Judge Weber received a B.A. degree in 1949 from Otterbein College and a J.D. degree in 1951 from Ohio State University, School of Law. He was admitted to the Ohio State Bar in 1952. He is 57 years old, married and has two children. His resume is attached at Tab A.

# RECOMMENDATION:

- 1. That you call Judge Weber (telephone recommendation attached at Tab B):
- 2. That you sign the nomination at Tab C.

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#### MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Recommended Telephone Call

TO:

Herman J. Weber

TELEPHONE:

Home: 513 878-2362 Office: 513 225-4464

DATE TO CALL:

Thursday, September 13, 1984

RECOMMENDED BY:

The Attorney General, Deputy Attorney General, Edwin Meese III, James A. Baker, III, John Herrington, M.B. Oglesby and Fred F. Fielding

PURPOSE:

To ask him to serve as United States District Judge for the Southern District of Ohio

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION:

- 1. Since 1982 Judge Weber has served on the Second District Court of Appeals of Ohio. Prior to his appointment to the appeals court, he was a Judge, Common Pleas Court, Green County (1961-1982); a partner in the law firm of Weber, Hogue & McCarthy (1959-1961); a partner in the law firm of Weber & Hogue (1953-1959); and in the private practice of law (1952).
- 2. Judge Weber received a B.A. degree in 1949 from Otterbein College and a J.D. degree in 1951 from Ohio State University, College of Law. He was admitted to the Ohio State Bar in 1952.
- 3. He is 57 years old, his wife's name is Barbara, they have two children and reside in Fairborn, Ohio.



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WASHINGTON

September 12, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

FRED F. FIELDING

COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT:

Nomination of Edith H. Jones

to be United States Circuit Judge

for the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals

The Attorney General, Deputy Attorney General, Edwin Meese, James Baker, John Herrington, M.B. Oglesby and Fred F. Fielding recommend that you nominate Edith H. Jones to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals which encompasses the states of Texas, Louisiana and Mississippi. Since 1974 Mrs. Jones has been in the practice of law with the firm of Andrews and Kurth. She has been a partner of the law firm since 1982. Mrs. Jones received a B.A. degree in 1971 from Cornell University and a J.D. degree in 1974 from the University of Texas. She was admitted to the Texas State Bar in 1974. She is 35 years old, married and has two children. Her resume is attached at Tab A.

#### RECOMMENDATION:

- 1. That you call Mrs. Jones (telephone recommendation attached at Tab B).
- 2. That you sign the nomination at Tab C.

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#### MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Recommended Telephone Call

TO:

Edith H. Jones

TELEPHONE:

Home: 713 464-6504 Office: 713 220-4200

DATE TO CALL:

Thursday, September 13, 1984

RECOMMENDED BY:

The Attorney General, Deputy Attorney General, Edwin Meese III, James A. Baker, III, John Herrington, M.B. Oglesby and Fred F. Fielding

PURPOSE:

To ask her to serve as United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals which encompasses the states of Texas, Louisiana and Mississippi

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION:

- 1. Since 1974 Mrs. Jones has been in the practice of law with the firm of Andrews and Kurth. She has been a partner of the law firm since 1982.
- 2. Mrs. Jones received a B.A. degree in 1971 from Cornell University and a J.D. degree in 1974 from the University of Texas. She was admitted to the Texas State Bar in 1974.
- 3. She is 35 years old, her husband's name is Sherwood, they have two children and reside in Houston, Texas.

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#### THE WHITE HOUSE

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## RECOMMENDED TELEPHONE CALL

TO:

Walter B. Jones (D-North Carolina)

DATE:

Thursday, September 13, 1984

RECOMMENDED BY:

M. B. Oglesby, Jr

PURPOSE:

Congressman Jones, Chairman of the House Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee, called the President this morning to discuss S. 2463, the Outer Continental Shelf Revenue

Sharing bill.

**BACKGROUND:** 

The House today passed the Conference Report to accompany S. 2463, the Outer Continental Shelf Revenue Sharing bill. This legislation is strongly opposed by the Administration, and Secretaries Regan, Clark, and Hodel and Director Stockman have informed the Congress that they will recommend a veto should this bill reach the President's desk.

The OCS Revenue Sharing bill creates a new Federal grant program using revenue derived from OCS oil and gas leasing. Currently all states share in OCS revenues as these monies go into the general fund. Under the proposed legislation one quarter of the receipts will be earmarked for coastal zone management programs. This will add \$2 billion dollars to the deficit over the next five years.

It is likely that Congressman Jones will ask the President to sign the legislation despite the objections of the Cabinet officers.

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION:

See Attachment.

DATE:

September 13, 1984

branch is opposed.

# TOPICS OF DISCUSSION FOR TELEPHONE CALL TO CONGRESSMAN WALTER JONES (D-NORTH CAROLINA)

- -- It's good to talk to you again; I always enjoy our conversations.
- -- I understand your interest in the Outer Continental Shelf
  Revenue Sharing legislation-
- -- However, I view the revenues from OCS leasing as a national resource which should be used for the benefit of the people of every state rather than earmark revenues for certain states -- especially since the formula distributes money with little regard to actual OCS leasing activity.
- -- In fact, I understand some states which do not have one mile of coastline would receive money under this proposal.
- -- I am also deeply concerned about this legislation's budgetary impact which will add \$2 billion to the deficit over the next five years.
- -- If we are to control federal spending and reduce the deficit we must avoid the creation of new programs unless absolutely necessary. Therefore, I must reiterate my administration's opposition to this proposal.

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WASHINGTON

#### MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Recommended Telephone Call

TO:

Joseph H. Rodriguez

TELEPHONE:

Home: 609 424-5422 Office: 609 292-1889

DATE TO CALL:

Thursday, September 13, 1984

RECOMMENDED BY:

The Attorney General, Deputy Attorney General, Edwin Meese III, James A. Baker, III, John Herrington, M.B. Oglesby and Fred F. Fielding

PURPOSE:

To ask him to serve as United States District Judge for the District New Jersey

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION:

1. Since 1982 Mr. Rodriguez has served as the Public Advocate of New Jersey which is a state cabinet level position. Prior to being appointed Public Advocate, he was in the practice of law with the firm of Brown, Connery, Kulp & Wille (1957-1982). In addition, he served as Chairman for the State Commission of Investigation, State of New Jersey (1974-1979); and as Chairman of the State Board of Higher Education for the State of New Jersey (1972-1974).

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- 2. Mr. Rodriguez received an A.B. degree in 1955 from LaSalle University and a LL.B. degree in 1958 from Rutgers University, School of Law. He was admitted to the New Jersey State Bar in 1959.
- 3. He is 53 years old, his wife's name is Barbara, they have four children and reside in Cherry Hill, New Jersey.

WASHINGTON

September 12, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

FRED F. FIELDING

COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT:

Nomination of Joseph H. Rodriguez to be United States District Judge

for the District of New Jersey

The Attorney General, Deputy Attorney General, Edwin Meese, James Baker, John Herrington, M.B. Oglesby and Fred F. Fielding recommend that you nominate Joseph H. Rodriguez to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey. Since 1982 Mr. Rodriguez has served as the Public Advocate of New Jersey which is a state cabinet level Prior to being appointed Public Advocate, he was position. in the practice of law with the firm of Brown, Connery, Kulp & Wille (1957-1982). In addition, he served as Chairman for the State Commission of Investigation, State of New Jersey (1974-1979); and as Chairman of the State Board of Higher Education for the State of New Jersey (1972-1974). Mr. Rodriguez received an A.B. degree in 1955 from LaSalle University and a LL.B. degree in 1958 from Rutgers University, School of Law. He was admitted to the New Jersey State Bar in 1959. He is 53 years old, married and has four children. His resume is attached at Tab A.

#### RECOMMENDATION:

- That you call Mr. Rodriguez (telephone recommendation attached at Tab B).

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#### RECOMMENDED PHONE CALL

TO:

Barbara Mandrell

DATE:

September 13, 1984 - Baptist Hospital Nashville, Tennessee

(615) 329-5555

RECOMMENDED BY:

Frederick J. Ryan, Jr. #1

PURPOSE:

To convey his best wishes for a speedy recovery from her recent automobile accident.

BACKGROUND:

On Tuesday evening, September 11, entertainer Barbara Mandrell and her two children were involved in a serious automobile accident in Nashville, Tennessee. A car driven by 19-year old Mark White crossed over the center divider and struck Mandrell's car head on. Mark White was killed in the accident.

Because they were wearing seat belts, Barbara and her children's lives were saved. While the children were unharmed, Barbara suffered a concussion, broken right leg and numerous lacerations. Miraculously, her face was not even scratched. She is now listed in fair condition at Baptist Hospital.

At this point, visitors have been limited to family members. She is expected to be released in three days.

Barbara and her sisters, Louise and Irene, starred in a television show from 1980 to 1982. She has won over 50 major music awards including the Country Music Association's Entertainer of the Year in 1980 and 1981. She has been nominated for Entertainer of the Year and Female Vocalist of the year at the Country Music Awards scheduled for October 8.

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## TALKING POINTS

- 1. I just wanted to call and express Nancy's and my concern about your accident;
- 2. I know that you and your family are praying for the White family and we join in those prayers;
- 3. When we learned that you had asked your children to fasten their seat belts just seconds before the accident occurred and that the seat belts saved your lives, it was clear that God was surely watching out for you.
- 4. I will be seeing many of your friends and fans at the Opryland today. Is there any message that you would like me to give them?
- 5. Best wishes from Nancy and I for a speedy recovery.