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Office of the Press Secretary

For Immediate Release

September 21, 1981

STATEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT

I want to express my gratitude to the Senate for unanimously approving today the nomination of Judge Sandra Day O'Connor as an Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court.

Judge O'Connor is, as I have come to know personally, a very warm and brilliant woman who has had an outstanding career in Arizona. I know the Court and the Nation will benefit both from her lifetime of work, service and experience in the legal profession, and from her solid grasp of our Constitution, which she reveres. This truly is a happy and historic day for America.

Judge O'Connor's judicial philosophy is one of restraint. She believes, as she said in her Senate testimony, that a judge is on the bench to interpret the law, not to make it. This philosophy of judicial restraint needs representation in our courtrooms and especially on the highest court in our land.

Let me also say that Judge O'Connor's confirmation symbolizes the richness of opportunity that still abides in America -- opportunity that permits persons of any sex, age or race, from every section and every walk of life to aspire and achieve in a manner never before even dreamed about in human history.

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WASHINGTON

September 14, 1981

Dear Ms. Busick:

Thank you for communicating your support of Judge Sandra O'Connor. We appreciate your concurrence with the President's thinking that Judge O'Connor has all the qualifications to be an excellent Supreme Court Justice.

We look forward to working with you on many issues that can benefit from cooperation between organizations such as yours and the Reagan Administration.

Sincerely,

Mary Elizabeth Quint Counsellor to the Special Assistant

Ms. Mary A. Busick
South Pacific Regional
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1005 Memory Lane
Reno, Nevada 89509

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN

September 9, 1981

Mary E. Quint Old Executive Building #436 Washington, DC 20500

Dear Ms. Quint:

I want to express my support for the nomination of Sandra O'Conner for Supreme Court Justice. Mrs. O'Conner will give a much needed balance to the Court, and she will make a fine contribution to the Court.

I visited the Arizona AAUW in July, and the AAUW State Division expressed how pleased they were about the nomination and spoke of O'Conner's impeccable qualifications.

Please add my endorsement to the thousands of others.

Sincerely yours,

Mary A Busick,

South Pacific Regional

Mary a. Busick

Vice President

American Bar Association Governmental Relations Office 1800 M Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20036 Phone: (202) 331-2213

CRAIG H. BAAB Staff Director for Bar Liaison

TO MEQ

September 10, 1981

Dear Red.

I assume you have a copy of the ABA report on Judge O'Connor, but enclose one in case you haven't seen it.

Regards,

Craig H. Baab

CHB:km

Enclosure



AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION

DIVISION OF COMMUNICATIONS

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ATTACHED IS THE REPORT OF THE AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION'S STANDING COMMITTEE ON FEDERAL JUDICIARY TO THE SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE ON THE FINDINGS OF IT'S INVESTIGATION OF THE PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS OF THE HONORABLE SANDRA DAY O'CONNOR OF ARIZONA TO BE AN ASSOCIATE JUSTICE TO THE SUPREME COURT.

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The Honorable Strom Thurmond Chairman United States Senate Committee on the Judiciary Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

This letter is submitted in response to your invitation to the Standing Committee on Federal Judiciary of the American Bar Association ("the Committee") to submit its opinion regarding the nomination of the Honorable Sandra Day O'Connor of Arizona to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States.

The Committee has unanimously adopted the following evaluation of Judge O'Connor based upon the investigation described below.

The Committee is of the opinion that Judge O'Connor meets the highest standards of judicial temperament and integrity. Her professional experience to date has not been as extensive or challenging as that of some other persons who might be available for appointment to the Supreme Court of the United States. Nevertheless, after considering her outstanding academic record, her demonstrated intelligence and her service as a legislator, a lawyer and a trial and appellate judge, the Committee is of the opinion that she is qualified from the standpoint of professional competence for appointment to the Supreme Court of the United States.

The Committee's investigation of Judge O'Connor was limited to her professional qualifications -- her professional competence, judicial temperament and integrity. Consistent with the Committee's longstanding tradition, the Committee has not undertaken to make any determinations about Judge O'Connor's general political ideology or her views on any issues that she may face

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should she be confirmed to serve on the Supreme Court of the United States. These issues are not matters properly of concern to the Committee. */

The Committee's investigation of Judge O'Connor included the following inquiries:

- (1) Members of the Committee interviewed a large number of federal and state judges throughout the United States.
- (2) Members of the Committee interviewed a cross section of practicing lawyers, including government lawyers, legal services and public interest lawyers and private practitioners, both in and outside of Arizona.
- (3) Members of the Committee interviewed a number of deans and faculty members of law schools throughout the country.
- (4) Members of the Committee interviewed a number of members of the Arizona State Senate.
- (5) A group of practicing attorneys and two groups of law professors reviewed Judge O'Connor's judicial opinions.
- (6) Three members of the Committee interviewed Judge O'Connor.

^{*/} The Committee's approach in this respect is based on well established standards of behavior governing the conduct of those seeking judicial positions. These standards, which are set forth in the American Bar Association's Code of Judicial Conduct, provide that a candidate for judicial office "should not make pledges or promises of conduct in office other than the faithful and impartial performance of the duties of the office; [or] announce his views on disputed legal or political issues . . . " ABA Code of Judicial Conduct, Canon 7, ¶ B(l)(c). Because it would be improper for a nominee to address such political matters, it would be inappropriate for the Committee to evaluate a nominee on that basis.

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Professional Background

The Committee's investigation revealed that Judge O'Connor's career has included service as a practicing lawyer, a legislator, and a judge. She received an A.B. degree with great distinction from Stanford University in 1950. She received an LL.B. from Stanford Law School in 1952. While in law school, Judge O'Connor was a member of the Board of Editors of the Stanford Law Review and was elected a member of the Order of the Coif, an honorary scholarship society. She was admitted to the Bar of the State of California in 1952 and to the Bar of the State of Arizona in 1957.

Judge O'Connor spent a year in 1953 working at the San Mateo District Attorney's Office in California, first as a law clerk and then as a Deputy District Attorney. Thereafter, from 1954 through 1957 she worked as a civilian attorney at the Quartermaster Market Center in Frankfurt, West Germany.

From 1959 to 1965, Judge O'Connor was engaged in the private practice of law in Maricopa County, Arizona. Her practice covered a broad spectrum of matters, including contracts, domestic relations, and criminal matters. She was also active in community volunteer work, including work in county bar activities and service as a juvenile court referee.

From 1965 to 1969 Judge O'Connor was an Assistant Attorney General in Arizona, representing the state finance department, the state auditor, the governor's office and the state welfare department. Then in 1969 she was elected to the Arizona State Senate where she served two terms until 1975. During this period Judge O'Connor was elected Majority Leader of the Arizona State Senate and served as Majority Leader during 1973 and 1974.

In 1975 Judge O'Connor was elected Superior Court Judge in Maricopa County, Arizona. She was elevated to the Arizona Court of Appeals, an intermediate state appellate court, by Governor Babbit in 1979 and has served as a judge of that court until the present.

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Through interviews of those who worked with Judge O'Connor during various stages of her professional career, the Committee learned that she has performed her work very competently, has demonstrated a high degree of integrity and has displayed excellent judicial temperament.

1. Interviews With Judges

In its investigation the Committee interviewed more than three hundred persons of whom over a hundred and fifty are federal, state and local judges. A significant number of the judges interviewed are judges sitting in Arizona who are familiar with Judge O'Connor and her experience as a trial and appellate judge. Judge O'Connor received uniformly favorable reviews from these individuals. Her colleagues on the Arizona Court of Appeals referred to her as "a tremendous worker," "a careful and exacting lawyer" and "a person of superb quality and keen intelligence." In addition, judges from the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit who are familiar with Judge O'Connor expressed their admiration for her performance on the bench, her integrity and her judicial temperament.

The Committee also interviewed federal and state judges outside Arizona. Although most of these judges have no firsthand knowledge of Judge O'Connor's performance, those who do described her in favorable terms. She was characterized as "intellectually well prepared," "very thoughtful" and "capable of mastering anything she puts her mind to master." Many judges who do not personally know Judge O'Connor have a favorable impression of her based on conversations they have had with their colleagues. On the whole, the Committee found that the judicial community — both in and outside of Arizona — supports Judge O'Connor's nomination.

2. <u>Interviews With Lawyers</u>

In our evaluation of Judge O'Connor, the Committee contacted about a hundred practicing lawyers throughout the United States. We talked with a broad cross section of the legal community, including lawyers

The Honorable Strom Thurmond September 8, 1981 Page Five

who represent women's groups, minority groups, labor unions, large corporations, individuals in civil litigations and defendants in criminal cases. Without exception the Arizona lawyers who were interviewed reported favorable impressions of Judge O'Connor, her abilities as a lawyer and her performance as a trial and appellate judge. They described her as "bright" and "objective" and as a "quick study." Lawyers who have tried cases before Judge O'Connor reported that she is always prepared and runs a "tight ship" in the courtroom. These interviews convinced the Committee that, although her experience as a trial and appellate judge has been limited, Judge O'Connor has demonstrated the necessary qualities of professional competence, judicial temperament and integrity.

Very few lawyers interviewed who practice outside of Arizona are personally familiar with Judge O'Connor. However, the uniform reaction of those who have a basis for opinion is favorable. One lawyer aptly summed up the comments received by saying that he would give Judge O'Connor "high marks in every department."

3. Interviews With Deans and Professors of Law

The Committee spoke to more than forty deans and faculty members of a number of law schools throughout the country. Only a few of those to whom we spoke know Judge O'Connor personally or are familiar with her work on the bench. However, those individuals spoke favorably of Judge O'Connor.

4. Interviews With State Senators

The Committee interviewed approximately a dozen Arizona State Senators -- both Democrats and Republicans -- who had served with Judge O'Connor. They were uniform in their praise of Judge O'Connor, describing her as "an excellent Senator," "an enormously intelligent person," "a woman of integrity" and a "very fair and open-minded" person. The Committee was assured that "she has no prejudices with respect to race, creed or color."

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5. Survey of Judge O'Connor's Opinions

Judge O'Connor's opinions and other legal writings were examined for the Committee by a group of practicing attorneys and by two groups of law school professors. Those consulted expressed differing views concerning the strength of her opinion writing. Judge O'Connor has written relatively few published opinions -- approximately thirty -- since she became a judge in 1975. She has also written two published articles. surprisingly, Judge O'Connor's opinions deal almost exclusively with issues of state law. For the most part, the subject matter of her opinions is such that they do not involve the elaborate legal analysis or complex social issues often found in Supreme Court decisions. Nonetheless, the Committee concluded that the opinions are competently written and her writing style is clear and logical.

6. Interview With Judge O'Connor

Judge O'Connor was interviewed by three members of the Committee. Their impression of Judge O'Connor is that she is an intelligent, articulate person who is committed to the law and to equal justice and who is concerned about people and their problems. She will approach her new position, if confirmed, with enthusiasm, determination and dedication.

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Based on the investigation described above and notwithstanding the fact that Judge O'Connor's professional experience has not been as extensive or challenging as that of others who might be available, the Committee has unanimously found that Judge O'Connor has the professional qualifications required of an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States.

Those who have worked with Judge O'Connor describe her as very intelligent, analytical, thorough and hard-working. The diversity of her experience as a practicing lawyer, legislator and judge provides a valuable background for a Supreme Court Justice. She is dedicated to the legal profession and has made significant contributions to her community.

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Furthermore, the Committee's investigation has demonstrated that Judge O'Connor has an appropriate judicial temperament. Her judgment is sound, and she is well respected by her colleagues. Her integrity is above reproach.

This report is being filed at the commencement of the Senate Judiciary Committee's hearing. We will, as a matter of routine, review our report at the conclusion of the hearings and notify you if any circumstances have developed that may require modification of our views.

Respectfully submitted,

Brooksley E. Landau

Chairperson

BEL:djr

WASHINGTON

September 2, 1981

Dear Ms. Maddox:

Thank you for your letter of August 26.

Elizabeth Dole read with interest your thoughts and observations regarding Judge Sandra O'Connor. She appreciates your sending her a copy of the Phyllis Schlafly letter you sent to Senators Ford and Huddleston. As you are well aware, this topic has been the focus of numerous discussions amongst White House staff, and Mrs. Dole was pleased to have a minute to make note of your own views.

Mrs. Dole thanks you once again for your interest in bringing your views to her attention. She sends her best regards and apologizes for not being able to personally respond at this time.

Sincerely,

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Diana Lozano
Deputy Director
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Ms. Carol Maddox 122 Woodside Place Ft. Thomas, KY 41075

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ATTORNEY AT LAW

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TELEPHONE 618 /482-5415

August 21, 1981

Senator Senate Office Building Washington, D.C.

Dear Senator:

I am writing to call to your attention some important information pertaining to Judge Sandra O'Connor's service on the Defense Department's advisory committee called DACOWITS.

The minutes of the DACOWITS meetings prove that Judge O'Connor was the initiator and principal sponsor of the effort to repeal the laws that exempt women from military combat (10 U.S. Code 6015 and 8549).

It would be difficult to name any issue more ideologically extremist than the peculiar push by a tiny minority to put women into military combat by repealing the laws that prohibit it. Yet, the DACOWITS minutes show that Judge O'Connor "initiated" the discussion and made the motion in the "Utilization Subcommittee", April 6-10, 1975 to repeal the laws that exempt women from military combat duty. Her motion passed in the Utilization Subcommittee, and then was passed year after year by the full DACOWITS. This agitation resulted in the House Military Personnel Subcommittee's holding four days of hearings, November 13-16, 1979, in which the chairperson of DACOWITS (Sally Richardson) was a principal witness urging the assignment of women to military combat. The House Subcommittee had the good judgment never to report out the bill that DACOWITS recommended.

The U.S. Supreme Court has just upheld Congress' constitutional right to exempt women from the military draft (Rostker v. Goldberg). The Court's opinion treated the laws that exempt women from military combat as so fundamental to a civilized society that they need no argument to justify them.

Do you think the American people want the Senate to confirm for a lifetime position on the Supreme Court anyone who has a public record of urging the assignment of women to military combat duty? Judge O'Connor's position on this vital issue is contrary to the position of Congress, of the President, of the majority of the present Supreme Court, of the Republican Platform, and of the wishes of the overwhelming majority of Americans.

Faithfully

September 2, 1981

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Dear Mrs. von Limbach:

Thank you for sending me a copy of your letter of congratulations to Judge O'Connor. I'm sure she was pleased to hear from you.

We look forward to Judge O'Connor's confirmation and feel confident she will be an excellent Supreme Court judge.

Sincerely,

Mary Elizabeth Quint
Counsellor to the Special Assistant

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Ms. Dora von Limbach President Prescott Branch, AAUW 725 Paul Drive Prescott, AZ 86301

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN PRESCOTT, ARIZONA, BRANCH

725 Paul Drive Prescott, AZ 86301 August 24, 1981

Judge Sandra O'Connor Arizona Court of Appeals 1700 W. Washington Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Judge O'Connor,

The Prescott Branch of the American Association of University Women wishes to congratulate you on your nomination to the Supreme Court. We feel that President Reagan made a wise choice and that you will fulfill your duties as a Supreme Court Judge admirably and well.

Our best wishes to you!

Sincerely,

Dora von Limbach

Dora von Limbach President, Prescott Branch AAUW

cc: Mary Elizabeth Quint
436 OEB
Washington, D.C. 20500

WASHINGTON

August 20, 1981

Dear Mrs. Culhane:

Elizabeth Dole has asked me to thank you for your letter expressing your objection to the nomination of Sandra O'Connor. As you are well aware, this topic has been the focus of numerous discussions amongst White House staff and Mrs. Dole was pleased to have a minute to make note of your own views.

Mrs. Dole thanks you once again for your interest in bringing your views to her attention. She sends her best regards and apologizes for not being able to personally respond at this time.

Sincerely,

Diana Lozano Deputy Director Office of Public Liaison

Mrs. Anne Culhane 1341 S. Crescent Avenue Park Ridge, IL 60068

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WASHINGTON

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President Ronald Reagan The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

BUDGET CUTS - Yes! A WOMAN - Yes! O'CONNOR - NO! O'CONNOR - NO!

It was indeed shocking to learn of your nomination of Sandra O'Connor to the U.S. Supreme Court. Her record in Arizona is truly a disaster, as far as true conservatives are concerned. That record is clearly anti-family as well as pro-abortion. Mrs. O'Connor is obviously a social liberal - and social liberalism creates the need for fiscal liberalism. Barry Goldwater, whom I had long admired, must have been wearing blinders when he recommended her.

By this nomination, Mr. President, you have (whether you realize it or not) rewarded those feminist groups that are now in the forefront of opposing your budget cuts, your foreign policy, national defense and the alleged positions you have taken on many social issues. I've witnessed enough of their public demonstrations to know this to be absolutely true.

Having been a registered and active Republican for the past twenty-seven years, and having worked in both your '76 and '80 campaigns, I can only say that I have now reached the same conclusion arrived at by many other Americans: THERE IS NO DIFFERENCE between the two major political parties in this country. They, simply, achieve the same goals with different people and different strategies.

Your decision in nominating O'Connor will win favor with some of your bitterest enemies. But for those of us who have supported you and your ideals these many years, it is an overwhelming disappointment. It is indeed a dark day in our nation's history and it is my sincere hope that you will recall her nomination.

Disheartened.

(Mrs.) Unne Culdane

Illinois Delegate (elected)
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White House Conference on

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cc: Mrs. Nancy Reagan Selected U.S. Senators Congressman Henry Hyde

ADDENDUM: While I recognize the importance of compromise, in political life, I also recognize that some values eg., parental rights and the right to life cannot be compromised.

While I recognize the possibility of conversions, I am also aware that tigers don't usually change A) Consequence. It is the risk of her judicial opinions that concerns me and in this regard, it is her overall value system which must be given top priority not her intelligence, temperament, prior experience by Record on the bench, or any other criterion. their stripes. As far as I know, there is nothing changed hers. Her personal opinions are of no consequence. It is the risk of her judicial opinions

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1341 S. Crescent Avenue Park Ridge, IL 60068 July 13, 1981

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Mrs. Elizabeth Dole
Assistant to the President
for Public Liaison
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mrs. Dole:

First, may I say I very much enjoyed reading the article about you which appeared here in the Chicago Tribune July 5th. I also enjoyed the interview with the Senator on CBS-Radio which was aired here yesterday.

In addition to the copy of my letter to the President concerning his nomination of Judge O'Connor to the Supreme Court, I am enclosing a transcript of a talk given by Dr. Bernard Nathanson given at the recent National Right-to-Life Convention in Omaha. Dr. Nathanson was a co-founder of NARAL (National Abortion Rights Action League) and had himself presided over some 60,000 abortions. During his talk to the NRLC, he revealed what is now known as the 'Pentagon Papers' of the abortion movement.

I hope you will be able to take time from your busy schedule to read his comments in order to get a glimpse at what it is that has motivated the Pro-Life movement in this country for these many years, and why we are so very much dismayed at President Regan's appointment (proposed) of Sandra O'Connor to the Supreme Court, 1 WE RECO

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are, however, not "single-issue" people, but are concerned about a wide range of issues, with the inalienable right to life simply being a top priority. For example, we are also greatly concerned about Mrs. O'Connor's callous attitude concerning parental rights, as evidenced by her co-sponsorship of Arizona Senate Bill 1190, allowing family planning (contraceptives and abortion) to be legal for all children, without parental consent or knowledge.

Needless to say, we intend to publicize Mrs. O'Connors record to the widest extent possible, and most sincerely hope that President Reagan will recall her nomination. We realize anyone, even the President, can make a mistake and it is only the unwillingness to correct such that we would not find tolerable.

Thank you for listening.

Sincerely,

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Dear Ms. Miller:

Thank you for communicating the D.C. State Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs' support of Judge Sandra O'Connor to President Reagan. The President appreciates your concurrence with his thinking that Judge O'Connor has all the qualifications necessary to be an excellent Supreme Court Justice.

We look forward to working with you on many issues which will benefit from cooperation between organizations such as yours and the Reagan Administration.

Sincerely,

Mary Elizabeth Quent

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The Honorable Ronald Reagan President of the United States The White House Washington, D.C. 20220

Dear President Reagan:

The Executive Committee of the D.C. State Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs commends you for your nomination of Judge Sandra Day O'Connor for a seat on the Supreme Court. We are convinced that Judge O'Connor will serve the Court well and we have sent letters in support of her early confirmation to the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Your nomination of Judge O'Connor is one giant step toward recognizing the abilities, achievements, and potential of women in this country and will become an important symbol for future leaders.

Sincerely,

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President

WASHINGTON

August 18, 1981

Dear Ms. Sandlin:

Thank you for communicating the San Francisco Commission on the Status of Women's support of Judge Sandra O'Connor to President Reagan. The President appreciates your concurrence with his thinking that Judge O'Connor has all the qualifications necessary to be an excellent Supreme Court Justice.

We look forward to working with you on many issues that can benefit from cooperation between organiztions such as yours and the Reagan Administration.

Sincerely,

Mary Elizabeth Quint Counsellor to the Special Assistant

Ms. Gladys Sandlin
Chairwoman
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City and County of San Francisco

Commission on the Status of Women



August 14, 1981

President Ronald Reagan The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

We, the San Francisco Commission on the Status of Women, would like to express our support for the nomination and confirmation of Judge Sandra Day O'Connor as the first women justice of our country's Supreme Court.

The record of the nominee is exceptional. Judge O'Connor ranked third in her class at Stanford and was elected to the Arizona Senate, where she became the first woman Republican leader.

We are aware that there is controversy in regards to Judge O'Connor's decisions on the ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment and the issue of abortion. The nominee appears to be open-minded to hearing arguments both pro and con, an attitude crucial to objective decision-making and the dispensing of justice.

We re-emphasize our acclamation of the nation's first female Supreme Court nominee, Judge Sandra Day O'Connor, and hope that future nominees will include other outstanding leaders of women and ethnic minorities.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Gladys Sandlin

Chairwoman

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cc: Mayor Dianne Feinstein

Each Commissioner

August 18, 1981

Dear Ms. Howard:

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We look forward to working with you on many issues which will benefit from cooperation between organizations such as yours and the Reagan Administration.

Sincerely,

Mary Elizabeth Quent

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Ms. Adeline B. Howard President, Idaho Federation Business & Professional Women's Clubs Route 1, Box 213 Potlatch, Idaho 83855 . Idaho:Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs

MEMBER NATIONAL FEDERATION OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN'S CLUBS, INC.



August 12, 1981

President Ronald Reagan The White House Washington DC 20510

Dear President Reagan:

I would appreciate you supporting the nomination of Judge Sandra D O'Connor as Associate Justice, U. S. Supreme Court.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Adeline B. Howard

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WASHINGTON

August 17, 1981

Dear Ms. Muller:

Thank you for communicating the Greater New Orleans Section of the National Council of Jewish Women's support of Judge Sandra O'Connor to President Reagan. The President appreciates your concurrence with his thinking that Judge O'Connor has all the qualifications necessary to be an excellent Supreme Court Justice.

We look forward to working with you on many issues which will benefit from cooperation between organizations such as yours and the Reagan Administration.

Sincerely,

Many Elizabeth Quint

Mary Elizabeth Quint Counsellor to the Special Assistant

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Ronald Reagan White House Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Mr. President,

The 1600 members of the Greater New Orleans Section, National Council of Jewish Women, wish to thank you for your nomination of Sandra O'Connor to the Supreme Court. She is, as you have so aptly described her, "a person for all seasons". Her past record as a judge illustrates her wisdom and ability to view each issue on its own merit and reach a decision which truly interprets the law rather than rewrites or creates law.

We will strongly urge our senators to support you in Sandra O'Connor's nomination.

Sincerely

Leigh Barton Muller

Public Affairs Chairperson

LBM: pdd

WASHINGTON

August 14, 1981

Dear Mrs. Culhane:

Thank you for sending me the transcript of Dr. Bernard Nathanson's tape from the National Right-to-Life Convention. We also appreciated learning of your objection to the nomination of Judge Sandra O'Connor.

While we realize it is not possible to receive one hundred percent support for most nominations, we have been impressed by the tremendous outpouring of support for Judge O'Connor's nomination. We are truly sorry you feel you must question this nomination. I'd like you to know that the President reviewed Judge O'Connor's qualifications, background and dedication to honesty and principles carefully before announcing her nomination. We feel confident Judge Sandra O'Connor will make an excellent Supreme Court Justice.

Again, we appreciate hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth H. Dole Assistant to the President for Public Liaison

Mrs. Anne Culhane 1341 S. Crescent Avenue Park Ridge, IL 60068 1341 S. Crescent Avenue Park Ridge, IL 60068 July 13, 1981

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Mrs. Elizabeth Dole
Assistant to the President
for Public Liaison
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mrs. Dole:

First, may I say I very much enjoyed reading the article about you which appeared here in the <u>Chicago Tribune</u> July 5th. I also enjoyed the interview with the Senator on CBS-Radio which was aired here yesterday.

In addition to the copy of my letter to the President concerning his nomination of Judge O'Connor to the Supreme Court, I am enclosing a transcript of a talk given by Dr. Bernard Nathanson given at the recent National Right-to-Life Convention in Omaha. Dr. Nathanson was a co-founder of NARAL (National Abortion Rights Action League) and had himself presided over some 60,000 abortions. During his talk to the NRLC, he revealed what is now known as the 'Pentagon Papers' of the abortion movement.

I hope you will be able to take time from your busy schedule to read his comments in order to get a glimpse at what it is that has motivated the Pro-Life movement in this country for these many years, and why we are so very much dismayed at President Regan's appointment (proposed) of Sandra O'Connor to the Supreme Court 1 We RECO

are, however, not "single-issue" people, but are concerned about a wide range of issues, with the inalienable right to life simply being a top priority. For example, we are also greatly concerned about Mrs. O'Connor's callous attitude concerning parental rights, as evidenced by her co-sponsorship of Arizona Senate Bill 1190, allowing family planning (contraceptives and abortion) to be legal for all children, without parental consent or knowledge.

Meedless to say, we intend to publicize Mrs. O'Connors record to the widest extent possible, and most sincerely hope that President Reagan Will recall her nomination. We realize anyone, even the President, can make a mistake and it is only the unwillingness to correct such that we would not find tolerable.

Thank you for listening.

Sincerely.

(Mrs.) Unne Culhane

Enclosures

1341 S. Crescent Avenue Park Ridge, IL 60068 July 8, 1981

President Ronald Reagan The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

BUDGET CUTS - Yes! A WOMAN - Yes! O'CONNOR - NO! O'CONNOR - NO!

It was indeed shocking to learn of your nomination of Sandra O'Connor to the U.S. Supreme Court. Her record in Arizona is truly a disaster, as far as true conservatives are concerned. That record is clearly anti-family as well as pro-abortion. Mrs. O'Connor is obviously a social liberal - and social liberalism creates the need for fiscal liberalism. Barry Goldwater, whom I had long admired, must have been wearing blinders when he recommended her.

By this nomination, Mr. President, you have (whether you realize it or not) rewarded those feminist groups that are now in the forefront of opposing your budget cuts, your foreign policy, national defense and the alleged positions you have taken on many social issues. I've witnessed enough of their public demonstrations to know this to be absolutely true.

Having been a registered and active Republican for the past twenty-seven years, and having worked in both your '76 and '80 campaigns, I can only say that I have now reached the same conclusion arrived at by many other Americans: THERE IS NO DIFFERENCE between the two major political parties in this country. They, simply, achieve the same goals with different people and different strategies.

Your decision in nominating O'Connor will win favor with some of your bitterest enemies. But for those of us who have supported you and your ideals these many years, it is an over-whelming disappointment. It is indeed a dark day in our nation's history and it is my sincere hope that you will recall her nomination.

Mrs.) anne Culhane

Anne Culhane

Illinois Delegate (elected)
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cc: Mrs. Nancy Reagan Selected U.S. Senators Congressman Henry Hyde

ADDENDUM: While I recognize the importance of compromise, in political life, I also recognize that some values eg., parental rights and the right to life cannot be compromised.

While I recognize the possibility of conversions, I am also aware that tigers don't usually change consequence. It is the risk of her judicial opinions that concerns me and in this regard, it is her overall value system which must be given top priority not her intelligence, temperament, prior experience on the bench, or any other criterion. their stripes. As far as I know, there is nothing consequence. It is the risk of her judicial opinions

Compliments of Park Ridge Pro Life P. O. Box 79 Park Ridge, Ill. 60068

Transcription of tape:
Speaker: Bernard Nathanson, M.D.
Introduction by: Carolyn Gerster, M.D.
National Right to Life Convention
Omaha, NE
Sat., June 20, 1981

INTRODUCTION

Speaker: Dr. Carolyn Gerster, past president, National Right to Life.

Bernard Nathanson has become familiar to all of you during the last two to three years.

He is Associate attending, Department of OB/GYN, New York Hospital, '63 to present. Senior attending, Department of OB/GYN, Woman's Hospital, St. Luke's Hospital Center, New York City. Public Relations Committee, New York County Medical Society, 1970 to present.

Co-founder of the National Association for the Repeal of Abortion Laws (now, of course, the National Abortion Rights Action League - NARAL).

He is the former director of the largest abortion clinic in the world. I used to say "Western Hemisphere", but I believe it is the world, the Manhattan Center for Reproductive and Sexual Health. As the director of this center he had the responsibility for 60,000 abortions - performed an additional 1,500 himself.

I first became aware of Dr. Nathanson, as most of my medical colleagues, in the New England Journal of Medicine in 1974 when, although believing abortion should remain legal, stated that he realized now that he had presided over 60,000 deaths.

In '79 came Aborting America which was the expose, I believe, of the century. To attest to its success Doubleday instantly realized the error they had made and it became unavailable in any Doubleday book store. If you requested it the clerk looked embarrassed and said that they would send it to you in a plain brown wrapper.

Dr. Nathanson has appeared on the Donahue show, has testified before many subcommittees for the Pro-Life Movement, including Washington, D.C. two days ago before the Senate subcommittee on Separation of Powers.

He was a speaker, of course, at the California-Anaheim NRLC convention last year, has appeared in many state conventions, including my own.

Now that's the official history that appears in your convention workbook, but I have to give a little personal aside. At the beginning, of course, the pro-life movement was terribly suspicious of Dr. Nathanson's motives. We couldn't imagine that this had really occurred. We couldn't trust it. Mr. Reilly, who was at that time, editor of the National Catholic Register, had the galley proofs of Aborting America, which he sent to me - asked me to look at them but not to reveal that I had them or quote from them because the book was not published.

Conservatives, Pro-Family Coalition

Fired Up Over O'Connor Nomination

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Photo by James Weber

CHICAGO—Seventy members of the Chicago-based Pro-Life Action League protest President Ronald Reagan's appointment of Judge Sandra D. O'Connor to the United States Supreme Court. The President attended a Republican fund-raiser in Chicago on Tuesday, July 7th, after making his announcement earlier that day in Washington. When Reagan's party returned by helicopter to the U.S. Military Base at O'Hare Airport, the demonstrators held up their signs reading "Life, Yes, O'Connor, No," hoping the President would read the message. They also lined the fence and called out pro-life signs as the Presidential party boarded Air Force One to return to Washington.

By PAUL A. FISHER

WASHINGTON, D.C. — A factually well-prepared group of conservatives and pro-family activists charged at a standing-room-only press conference that there has been an "apparent coverup" of facts relating to Supreme Court nominee Sandra O'Connor's background.

Spokesmen for the group urged that her nomination be withdrawn or that the Senate take ample time to examine all the details of her background before considering it on the Senate floor.

The discordant note was sounded at a time when the press, fiscal conservatives, and liberals generally praised the selection of the first woman ever to be nominated to succeed to the high bench.

The principal spokesman for the group Howard Phillips, director of the Conservative Caucus, called for a "thorough and searching review" of Judge O'Connor's record

Phillips stood at a podium on the front of which was a large-lettered quotation from the 1980 Republican Party platform which expressed support for the appointment of judges "who respect traditional family values and the sanctity of innocent human life."

Phillips called the nomination "a major blow" to the political "alliance of social and economic conservatives who contributed to" the President's election and to the election of a number of senators and congressmen.

Also speaking at the standingroom only press conference in opposition to the nomination were two members of the 1980 Republican Platform Committee who

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(Continued from Page 1) er nomination and praised her as conservatives P Danisical Hawai

Mrs. Camping replied: "He's een in Washington for years." ilso, she noted, the senator is a ersonal friend of Mrs. O'Connor nd has been a long time neighbor

Kathleen Teague of the merican Legislative Exchange ouncil (ALEC) distributed a etailed list of some of Mrs. 'Connor's positions when she erved in the Legislature. This ecord showed not only the ominee's support for abortion on emand and for the ERA, but that he succeeded in d'drastically mending" and anti-pornography illawhich would reduce the cation of adult bookstores from ne mile radius of schools and laygrounds to "within 4,000 feet" those locales.

Miss Teague's report also nowed that Mrs. O'Connor oposed legislation which would deny -year-olds the right to drink coholic beverages.

A key document distributed at e press conference was a July 7th emorandum from Kenneth Starr, unselor to the attorney general the United States, to the attorney eneral ritters to assess the

The memo noted that Mrs. Connor admitted co-sponsorship a bill to allow state agencies to disseminate information with spect to family planning," which

spect to family planning," which he did not view as "an abortion leasure."

The memo falled to mention, hillips said, that the legislation ould allow information on surgical procedures," a sphemism for abortion, and that permitted dissemination of this permitted dissemination of this formation without parental dvice or consent.

The memo also states that there no record of how Mrs. O'Connor sted in 1970 on a bill that would rmit abortion on demand. Acally, the chairman of the comittee at that time, John Conlon ater a U.S. representative) told hillips in a telephone con-ersation on July 8th that Mrs. 'Connor voted for the measure.

The memo further states that rs. O'Connor stated that "she id never been a leader or outoken advocate on behalf of either co-life dorn abortion rights ganizations," and that "she lows well the Arizona leader of e right-to-life movement, ominent female physician in Phoenix, and has never disputes or controversies with

er.". The female physician is Dr Carolyn Gerster, former president of the National Right-to-Life Committee, She, Phillips pointed out, views the nominee as a proabortion advocate and so notified the White House

· The information set forth in what is now known as the "Starr Memo and the facts developed by the conservative organizations are substantially contradictory. This conflict in reputed "facts" was cited by Phillips as his basis for

charging a "cover-up." Association of Pro-America said she is "disappointed" that the President is "not playing like a team member."

She said she has worked with many Democrats and Independents who helped to elect Reagan to the presidency and that

the selection of Mrs. O'Coppor will

make it "difficult! to re-elect Republicans in her area! "Judy Campbell" of United Families of America said she had worked with life-long Democrats for the election of the President who went along "on his economic program" because of their "confidence" in him rogram' because of their 'confidence' in him.

She said she is now worried that these people "simply will not get involved" in support of the

President any longer. Connie Marshner of the National Pro-Family Coalition ticked off some of the known support of Mrs. O'Connor for abortion and other issues that are not supported by traditional pro-family people. She said this demonstrates that Mrs. O'Connor has "an insulting at-titude" toward family values, and that her background merits "lengthy investigation."

This is important, Mrs. Marshner said, because the pro-family coalition "worked their hearts or for Reagan, and now the ministration is saying "goodb to the pro-family activists.

The selection of Mrs. O'Con makes clear, Mrs. Marshner ded, that "this Admin stration d not respect our concerns."

Phillips commenting on favorable support among libe for Mrs. O'Connor's nomina said: "Mrs. Ellie Smeal of National Organization for Wor and Ronald Reagan can't both right!"

The position of Mrs. O'Conn reportedly being "person opposed to abortion," the C servative Caucus executive said, the same as the positions taken Senators Ted Kennedy and Geor McGovern, and Fr. Robert Drins

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August 14, 1981

Dear Ms. Hughes:

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We look forward to working with you on many issues which will benefit from cooperation between organizations such as yours and the Reagan Administration.

Sincerely,

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July 31, 1981 Gresident Reagan The White Laure Mashington, DC 20500 Mr Prisi dent: Thank you, Mr Drusi dent, for fulfilling your Campaign Cammitment to appoint the first warman to the Dupreme Court. Clear graup Supports your chain of Judge O'Cannor, woko has an exemplary record of public Service. With thanks and best wishes, Laddie W Hughen Gresi dent

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Dear Ms. Reedy:

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PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN
WHITEHOUSE
WASHINGTON DC 20500

DEAR PRESIDENT REAGAN
THE MINNESOTA FEDERATION OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN WERE VERY
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JUSTICE U.S. SUPREME COURT WE WISH YOU TO CONTINUE TO FOLLOW JUDGE
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WASHINGTON

August 14, 1981

Dear Ms. McGregor:

Thank you for communicating the New York State Federation of Republican Women's support of Judge Sandra O'Connor to President Reagan. The President appreciates your concurrence with his thinking that Judge O'Connor has all the qualifications necessary to be an excellent Supreme Court Justice.

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Sincerely,

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Mrs. Jane Ham 6637 Surrey Street Las Vegas, Nevada 89119 Dear Mr. President -

ag us in the new york Federation stand prouder after your nomination Judge Sandra Day to the supreme Court

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Constance me gregar Immediate Past President - N.Y.S. Lederation & Republican Women -

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Sincerely,

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August 6, 1981

The Honorable Ronald Reagan United States President White House Pennsylvania Ave. Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear President Reagan:

As a member of Soroptimist International, the world's largest classified service organization for business and professional women, I applaud your nomination of Judge Sandra Day O'Connor to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Her skills as a legislator and judge, her integrity and her commitment to equality, will add a new dimension to this high office.

The 30,000 business and professional women who are American Soroptimists are working diligently in support of Judge O'Connor, who is also a Soroptimist.

We hope that wise and prudent judgement on the part of the Senate will lead to her rapid confirmation.

Sincerely,

Roselyn Khowlden

PRESIDENT, Soroptimist International

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WASHINGTON

August 13, 1981

Dear Ms. Bidgood:

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August 4, 1981

The President The White House 20025 Washington, D.C.

Dear President Reagan:

As a member of Soroptimist International, the world's largest classified service organization for business and professional women, I want to congratulate you on your choice of Sandra Day O'Connor to serve on the Supreme Court.

Her background, credentials and sensitivity will add a new dimension to this high office.

As a Soroptimist and a professional working women, I am proud to support Soroptimist O'Connor.

Sincerely,

Joan Carmean Bidgood, President

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4841 S.E. 30th Avenue

Portland, 0r. 97202

WASHINGTON

August 13, 1981

Dear Ms. Jacobs and Ms. Seager:

Thank you for communicating the Pennsylvania Commission for Women's support of Judge Sandra O'Connor to President Reagan. The President appreciates your concurrence with his thinking that Judge O'Connor has all the qualifications necessary to be an excellent Supreme Court Justice.

We look forward to working with you on many issues which will benefit from cooperation between commissions such as yours and the Reagan Administration.

Sincerely,

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Ms. Alma Jacobs Chairperson Ms. Helen Seager Director Pennsylvania Commission for Women Box 1323 Harrisburg, PA 17105 Pennsylvania Commission for Women Helen Seager, Director Box 1323 Harrisburg, PA 17105 July 30, 1981 **Advisory Board** Alma Jacobs, Chair Blue Bell President Ronald Reagan Marlene Berman White House Camp Hill Washington, D.C. **Muriel Berman** Allentown Dear President Reagan: **Ruby Bowe** Harrisburg Rita Clark The Pennsylvania Commission for Women is Johnstown delighted to note your nomination of Sandra Marian Ungar Coppersmith O'Connor to the United States Supreme Court. State College We believe your choice of Ms. O'Connor is **Carol Coren** Ben Salem an excellent one and that she will bring a Suzanne Glasow solid background of experience and judicial State College wisdom, as well as a woman's perspective, Liz Hrenda to the nation's highest court. Harrisburg **David Johnston** Wayne We applaud this evidence of your promise to appoint women to atrategic governmental positions, and urge you to continue such appoint-Julia Maietta ments. Harrisburg

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IEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 13, 1981

FOR:

ELIZABETH H. DOLE Via DIANA LOZANO

FROM:

MARY ELIZABETH QUINT

SUBJECT:

Letters Received in Support Of and Opposed To Nomination of Judge Sandra Day O'Connor

Comments:

82 Organizations

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ORGANIZATIONS THAT SUPPORT NOMINATION OF JUDGE SANDRA O'CONNOR

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