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Correspondent: HARRIET MIERS
Subject/Description: RENOMINATION OF BRETT M. KAVANAUGH, OF MARYLAND, TO BE UNITED STATES CIRCUIT JUDGE FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA CIRCUIT
January 18, 2006

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: THE EXECUTIVE CLERK

FROM: HARRIET MIERS

SUBJECT: JUDICIAL NOMINATION

Attached for your approval and signature is the renomination of the following individual:

Brett M. Kavanaugh, of Maryland, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit, vice Laurence H. Silberman, retired.

You approved this nomination on May 16, 2003.

All necessary clearances have been completed.
The White House,

JAN 25 2006

To the Senate of the United States.

I nominate Brett M. Kavanaugh, of Maryland, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit, vice Laurence H. Silberman, retired.

GEORGE W. BUSH
Dear Mr. President:

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Susan,

As you know, only nominations up to S. Pamela Gray have been signed by the President.

Are you going to bring us paper on Bryant down tonight or tomorrow?

-----Original Message-----
From: Courtwright, Susan M.
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Cc: Roebke, Heather M.; Persinger, John M.; Drummond, Michael
Subject: Tomorrow's Judicial Nominations

Tomorrow's Judicial Nominations

The President intends to nominate the following individuals tomorrow:

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Noel Lawrence Hillman, of New Jersey, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey, vice William G. Bassler, retired.

Susan Davis Wigenton, of New Jersey, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey, vice John W. Bissell, retired.

S. Pamela Gray, of the District of Columbia, to be Judge on the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, vice Susan R. Holmes Winfield.

Vanessa Lynne Bryant, of Connecticut, to be United States District Judge for the District of Connecticut, vice Dominic J. Squatrito, retired.

Michael A. Chagares, of New Jersey, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit, vice Michael Chertoff, resigned.

Brian M. Cogan, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York, vice Frederic Block, retired.

Thomas M. Golden, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern
District of Pennsylvania, vice Franklin Van Antwerpen, elevated.

Andrew J. Guilford, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, vice Dickran Tevrizian, retired.

Gray Hampton Miller, of Texas, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas, vice Ewing Werlein, Jr., retired.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Regards,
Susan Courtwright
White House Counsel's Office
202-456-5049