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RMS HONORABLE RONALD REAGAN RPT DLY MGM
WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON DC 20500

DEAR MR PRESIDENT:

I AM PLEASED TO LEARN THAT SANDRA O'CONNOR MAY BE YOUR NOMINEE FOR THE VACANCY ON THE SUPREME COURT. HAVING BEEN BROUGHT UP IN A FAMILY WITH EXTENSIVE JUDICIAL BACKGROUND, I RECOGNIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF YOUR NOMINATION TO THE HIGH COURT. MY FATHER SERVED AS A MEMBER OF THE ARIZONA SUPREME COURT AND

ALSO AS ARIZONA'S ATTORNEY GENERAL.

I HAVE KNOWN SANDRA O'CONNOR SINCE THE EARLY 1960'S WHEN WE WORKED TOGETHER IN STATE GOVERNMENT. I WAS THE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO THE GOVERNOR OF ARIZONA AND JUDGE O'CONNOR SERVED AS A DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL. SHE HAS A SPLENDID BACKGROUND IN THE JUDICIARY, SERVING AS A TRIAL JUDGE AND ON THE STATE BOARD OF APPEALS. SHE HAS A STERLING REPUTATION AND WOULD BRING TO THE COURT A COMBINATION OF COMMON SENSE AND FAIRNESS.

OUR NATION WOULD BE GREATLY SERVED WITH THE ADDITION OF JUDGE SANDRA O'CONNOR TO THE SUPREME COURT. I SUPPORT HER NOMINATION AND URGE YOU TO DO LIKEWISE.

SINCERELY
DENNIS DECONCINI, UNITED STATES SENATOR
101 NORTH 1 AVE SUITE 1684

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For Immediate Release

July 7, 1981

The President today announced his intention to nominate Judge Sandra Day O'Connor to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, filling the vacancy created by the resignation of Justice Potter Stewart. Judge O'Connor presently serves on the Arizona Court of Appeals. The President will forward to the Senate his nomination of Judge O'Connor upon completion of the required background check by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Judge O'Connor, age 51, earned both her undergraduate and law degrees at Stanford University. She received her B.A. magna cum laude in 1950, and her LL.B. with high honors in 1952. She was a member of the Board of Editors of the Stanford Law Review and a member of the Order of the Coif. Judge O'Connor was admitted to the Bar of the State of California in the year of her graduation and to the Bar of the State of Arizona in 1957.

Judge O'Connor practiced law in Phoenix, Arizona, for a number of years. She served as Assistant Attorney General of Arizona from 1965 to 1969 and served in the Arizona State Senate from 1969 to 1975.

In 1974, Judge O'Connor was elected to the Superior Court for Maricopa County, Arizona. She served on that court until she was appointed to the Arizona Court of Appeals in 1979.

Judge O'Connor is married to John Hay O'Connor III. They have three children.

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• Marital Status: Married John Jay O'Connor, III
3 children

Education: 1950 Stanford University
1952 A.B. degree
LL.B. degree

Bar: 1952 California
1957 Arizona

Experience: 1952 - 1953 Deputy County Attorney
San Mateo County, Ca.

1954 - 1957 Civilian Attorney
Quartermaster Market Center
Frankfurt/Main, W. Germany

1958 - 1960 Private practice
Maryvale, Arizona

1961 - 1964 Homemaker & Childcare

1965 - 1969 Assistant Attorney General
State of Arizona

1969 - 1975 State Senator
Arizona State Senate

1975 - 1979 Judge
Maricopa County Superior Court

1979 - present Judge
Arizona Court of Appeals

Office: 101 W. Jefferson
Phoenix, Arizona 85003
602 255-4828

Home: 3651 E. Denton Lane
Paradise Valley, Arizona 85253
602 955-6653

Ethnic Group: Caucasian

Salary: \$88,700

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WASHINGTON DC 20045

PRESIDENT REAGAN HAS EXPRESSED PRIVATELY AND PUBLICLY THE IMPORTANCE
OF FUTURE U.S. SUPREME COURT CANDIDATES POSITIONS ON THE LIFE ISSUES.
THIS WAS LATER REFLECTED IN THE REPUBLICAN PARTY PLATFORM. FOR THIS

REASON PLEASE REQUEST THE PRESIDENT TO WITHHOLD THE FINAL DECISION ON
JUDGE SANDRA O'CONNORS APPOINTMENT UNTIL OUR DOCUMENTATION ARRIVES BY
FEDERAL EXPRESS SENT 7-6-81.

WHILE IN THE ARIZONA STATE SENATE JUDGE O'CONNOR COSPONSORED THE 1973
FAMILY PLANNING BILL ALLOWING BIRTH CONTROL MEASURES, INCLUDING
SURGICAL PROCEDURES, MADE AVAILABLE TO MINORS WITHOUT PARENTAL
CONSENT.

SHE VOTED AGAINST ARIZONA HOUSE MEMORIAL 2002 IN THE SENATE JUDICIARY
COMMITTEE, EVEN AFTER A RAPE EXCEPTION CLAUSE HAD BEEN ADDED TO THE
LIFE OF THE MOTHER.

SANDRA O'CONNOR VOTED AGAINST THE MEMORIAL AGAIN IN THE SENATE
MAJORITY CAUCUS.

SANDRA O'CONNOR CAST ONE OF THE NINE VOTES AGAINST THE 1974 SENATE
BILL WHICH WOULD BAR ABORTION IN TUCSON UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL EXCEPT TO
SAVE LIFE OF THE MOTHER. IN ADDITION TO HER PRO-ABORTION VOTING
RECORD, JUDGE O'CONNOR'S PRO-ERA POSITION IN 1972 AND 1974 HAS
AROUSSED THE OPPOSITION OF PRO-FAMILY ORGANIZATIONS.

IT IS VITAL THAT THE ADMINISTRATION BE APPRIISED OF SANDRA O'CONNOR'S
RECORD.

CAROLYN F GERSTER, M.D. VICE PRESIDENT IN CHARGE OF INTERNATIONAL
AFFAIRS NATIONAL RIGHT TO LIFE COMMITTEE

529 14 ST NW STE 341

WASHINGTON DC 20045

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: July 7, 1981

TO: Jim Baker

FROM: Clayton Yeutter *CY*

I note from the news media that Sandra O'Connor is apparently receiving strong consideration for the forthcoming U.S. Supreme Court vacancy. I just wanted to tell you that I believe this would be an absolutely outstanding appointment.

I first met Sandra during the presidential campaign of 1972. I was tremendously impressed by her, and asked others in the Arizona campaign if they shared that assessment. Everyone with whom I talked did so, and many said then already that Sandra would very likely some day be named to the U.S. Supreme Court.

I have not talked with Sandra O'Connor in nine years, Jim, but if she has the same composite of characteristics today that she had then (and I assume she is even more impressive today with nine additional years of judicial, political and other experiences) she just has to be a brilliant appointment. She could very well turn out to be one of the finest Supreme Court Justices of all time.

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United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

July 7, 1981

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

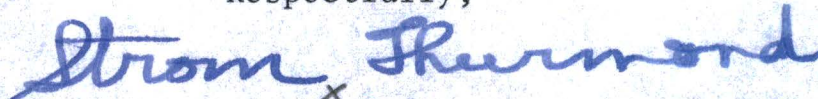
Dear Mr. President:

I am attaching a list of objections to the nomination of Sandra O'Connor that were sent to me by various people.

I felt that you should have this list for your use in such discussions as you may have with Senators and interested citizens.

With best personal regards,

Respectfully,



Strom Thurmond
Chairman

ST:jep

Enclosure

SANDRA O'CONNOR

1. During 1970 she supported an abortion on demand bill in the Committee on the Judiciary of the Arizona Senate and in the Arizona Senate Republican Caucus.
2. In 1972 she introduced in the Arizona Senate the Equal Rights Amendment ratification resolution.
3. In 1973 she was the prime sponsor in the Arizona Senate of S. 1190, a bill to allow abortion information to be sent to minors without parental consent.
4. In 1974 she voted in the Arizona Senate against a resolution petitioning the United States Congress for passage of the Human Life Amendment.
5. In 1977, at the request of Bella Abzug, she served as keynote speaker at the Arizona state convention of the United Nations' International Women's Year.
6. The July 2, 1981 issue of the Phoenix Gazette stated
"In 1974, O'Conner sponsored a measure to submit the Equal Rights Amendment to an advisory referendum but it died in committee. That same year she was one of 9 Senators to oppose a bill which would have outlawed abortions in Tuscons University Hospital unless the mother's life was in danger."
7. Women Today, which publishes a directory of feminist organizations, lauded her in a feature article.
8. She is reported to be an intimate friend of Mary Crisp and other Republicans generally identified with the liberal wing of the Republican Party.
9. She is believed to have gone on record against tuition tax relief.
10. She may have publicly espoused stringent gun control.
11. As a judge of an inferior court of a state bench she is viewed by many as inadequately experienced for the position of Justice of the United States Supreme Court.

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TODAY'S WASHINGTON POST BADLY MISQUOTES ME AND JUXTAPOSES SEVERAL OF MY COMMENTS MADE TO ANOTHER REPORTER. OUR POSITION HAS NOT CHANGED ANY SINCE THE NOMINATION WAS MADE. WE WILL NEED FURTHER INFORMATION CONCERNING JUDGE ^{SANDRA} O'CONNOR AND THE ABORTION QUESTION BEFORE WE ARE ABLE TO MAKE A DECISION ON WHETHER TO SUPPORT OR OPPOSE. WE WOULD WELCOME THE OPPORTUNITY FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION AND WOULD GLADLY RECEIVE FURTHER INFORMATION PERTAINING TO THE CONCERNS WE HAVE RAISED ABOUT THE JUDGE.

CAL THOMAS

VICE PRESIDENT FOR COMMUNICATIONS

THE MORAL MAJORITY

500 ALLEGHANY AVE

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16 July 1981

Dear LaMont:

Thank you for your recent message regarding the President's appointment of Judge Sandra O'Connor to be an Associate Justice to the Supreme Court.

The President chose Judge O'Connor because of her distinguished judicial career after careful evaluation and an investigation conducted by the Attorney General. The President personally met and interviewed Judge O'Connor and is convinced she shares his views on many issues. Please know that I will always be most interested in your comments and thoughts.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

EDWIN MEESE III
Counsellor to the President

X
A. LaMont Smith, D.P.A.
1019 East 57th Avenue
Spokane, WA 99203

✓ cc: Ed Meese

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Dear LaMont

(509) 448-9307

A. LAMONT SMITH, D.P.A.
Criminal Justice Consultant

1019 E. 57TH AVENUE
SPOKANE, WA 99203

A. LaMont Smith, D.P.A.

July 10, 1981

Mr. Edwin Meese, III
Attorney to the President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20530

Re: Judge Sandra D.

Dear Ed:

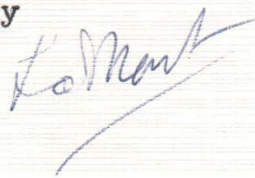
O'Connor.

I was the Executive Officer of the California Board of Corrections when you were working for Frank Coakley and representing the District Attorney's Association in Sacramento.

I later retired from the faculty of the UC School of Criminology, Berkeley, and became Deputy Director of the Arizona Department of Corrections. As you can see from the attached copy of my letter to Senator Slade Gorton I had considerable contact with Judge O'Connor. I hope my observations will help counteract those of the representatives in our State of the national organizations opposing confirmation

Sincerely

1019 E. 57th Ave
Spokane, Wa 99203



A. LA MONT SMITH

Senator Slade Gorton
770 U.S. Court House
920 West Riverside
Spokane, Wa 99203

July 9, 1981
Spokane, Washington.

Re: Judge Sandra D. O'Connor

Dear Senator Gorton:

I may well be your only constituent that has had both a professional and social association with Judge O'Connor.

I was Deputy Director of the Arizona Department of Corrections from June 1969 until March 1977. In this capacity I had the responsibility for presentation to members of the Legislature proposals recommended for enactment. I appeared on numerous occasions during those years before committees of which Judge O'Connor, then a member of the Arizona Senate, was a member.


In addition to advocacy of measures supported by departmental policy, it was also necessary for statements to be made in opposition to some bills or the draft under consideration. I always found her queries to be pertinent and fair giving evidence that she had not only studied the related material but many times had initiated additional investigations having a bearing on the matter under consideration. She was always concerned on the long range, total impact, of enactments. She was one of the very few lawyers in the Senate and her expertise in achieving the precise legal terminology required to achieve legislative objectives was recognized by her peers.

As you know, she was selected as majority leader which a real tribute and recognition of her skill at bringing together opposing points of view into workable solutions. I have been in conferences she convened in her office for that purpose and moderated with efficient, tactful skill. The results, I should add, were not always in accord with Department of Corrections wishes but there was never any feeling but that a fair hearing had been achieved.

John O'Connor and I were members of the same Rotary Club and from this connection we met at various social functions and attended barbeques at their Phoenix home.

In my opinion, her legislative experience is far more valuable in her job ahead than a few additional years on a higher State or Federal Court. I certainly hope that you will support and work for her confirmation as a Justice of the Supreme Court both on her professional qualifications and demonstrated ability. She will render signal service to our country during her appointment.

Sincerely yours,


1019 E. 57th Ave
Spokane, Wa 99203

CC: Edwin Meese III

16 July 1981

Dear Mr. Youker:

Thank you for your recent message regarding the President's appointment of Judge Sandra O'Connor to be an Associate Justice to the Supreme Court.

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With best wishes,

Sincerely,

EDWIN MEESE III
Counsellor to the President

X
Mr. Robert B. Youker
5825 Rockmere Drive
Washington, D.C. 20016

✓ cc: Ed Meese

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ROBERT B. YOUKER
MANAGEMENT PLANNING AND CONTROL SYSTEMS

7/8/81

ED MEESE

WHITE HOUSE

REGARDING THE O'CONNOR SUPREME COURT NOMINATION I DEEPLY RESENT A MINORITY GROUP TRYING TO IMPOSE THEIR RELIGIOUS BELIEFS AND THEIR SINGLE ISSUE POLITICS ON THE MAJORITY. THE AMERICAN PEOPLE ELECTED RONALD REAGAN PRESIDENT — NOT JESSE HELMS! I RESENT THE ATTEMPT TO EQUATE RIGHT TO LIFE WITH CONSERVATISM AND I ESPECIALLY RESENT THE NEWS MEDIA GIVING FREE NATIONAL PUBLICITY TO A SMALL MINORITY.

Robert Youker

16 July 1981

Dear Betty:

Thank you for your recent message regarding the President's appointment of Judge Sandra O'Connor to be an Associate Justice to the Supreme Court.

The President chose Judge O'Connor because of her distinguished judicial career after careful evaluation and an investigation conducted by the Attorney General. The President personally met and interviewed Judge O'Connor and is convinced she shares his views on many issues. Please know that I will always be most interested in your comments and thoughts.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

EDWIN MEESE III
Counsellor to the President

Miss Betty J. ^XBensen
1811 Glenwood Avenue
Joliet, IL 60435

cc: Ed Meese

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Ed

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July 7, 1981

Dear Ed, Dear Betty

I want to ask you to tell President Reagan that I think his appointment of a woman to the Supreme Court is excellent, brilliant and this just reinforces my belief that he is "my kind of President"!

Sincerely,
Betty Greenwood
1811 Greenwood Ave
Jules 60435
JL

16 July 1981

Dear Mr. Levin:

Thank you for your recent message regarding the President's appointment of Judge Sandra O'Connor to be an Associate Justice to the Supreme Court.

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With best wishes,

Sincerely,

EDWIN MEESE III
Counsellor to the President

Mr. Ephraim Levin^X
6517 North Tenth Street
Philadelphia, PA 19126

cc: Ed Meese

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July 8, 1981

Dear Mr. Meese:

The nomination of Mrs. O'Connor to the Supreme Court was certainly in the best interests of the country. Calling Dr. Fallwell to explain the nomination was certainly NOT.

If you keep acting or making policy to suit the morality and politics of any group, Mr. Meese, the Administration will get mixed in a swamp of moralistic jingoism.

I am including my phone number, Sir, in this letter in case President Reagan wishes to explain any policy that he thinks might offend my sensibilities. And I am not being facetious.

With kind regards, I am,

Your most obedient servant,
Ephraim Levini

Ephraim Levini
6517 N. 10th St.
Phila, PA; 19126

215-548-0396

16 July 1981

Dear Paul:

Thank you for your recent message regarding the President's appointment of Judge Sandra O'Connor to be an Associate Justice to the Supreme Court.

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With best wishes,

Sincerely,

EDWIN MEESE III
Counsellor to the President

Mr. Paul W. Cane
Vice President
Bechtel Power Corporation
50 Beale Street
San Francisco, CA 94105

✓ cc: Ed Meese

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Paul W. Cane
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Engineers—Constructors
Fifty Beale Street
San Francisco, CA 94105


July 8, 1981

Mr. Edwin Meese, III
Counsellor to the President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Ed:

This is just a note of great support for the President's appointment of Mrs. O'Connor to the Supreme Court. The decision simply could not have been better.

Sincerely,



Paul W. Cane

PWC/11

cc: Herbert G. Klein
Editor-in-Chief
Copley Newspapers

16 July 1981

Dear Mrs. Pais:

Thank you for your recent message regarding the President's appointment of Judge Sandra O'Connor to be an Associate Justice to the Supreme Court.

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With best wishes,

Sincerely,

EDWIN MEESE III
Counsellor to the President

Mrs. Claudette R. Pais^X
1115 14th Street
Santa Monica, CA 90403

✓ cc: Ed Meese

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Claudette R. Pais

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1115 - 14th STREET
SANTA MONICA, CALIFORNIA 90403
(213) 394-2248 / (213) 394-4765

July 7, 1981

Mr. Edwin Meese, III
Counselor To The President,
The White House
6800 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.,
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. Meese:

Althought, I am not an advocate of the ERA, or, any other feminist groups, I feel elated however, and must express my sincere 'Congratulations' to President Reagan and to you.

Naming Arizona Judge Sandra O'Connor--to succeed retiring Justice Potter Stewart is by far--an excellent decision on your part. Positively this will be an historic appointment made by any President of These United States. Certainly, one to be of unique quality to being devoted to the public good and welfare.

Mrs. O'Connor's background is of high caliber and ratings. Her judicial record and performance speaks for itself. Well deserving of an appointment to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Again, may I assure you of my deepest loyalty and say, we are indeed fortunate to have men such as you two in Washington.

Most Respectfully,
Mrs. Claudette R. Pais

Mrs. Claudette R. Pais

enclosure



Capitol Digest

GOP Splits At Top Over Offshore Oil

By James Wrightson
Bee Capitol Bureau

Two potential GOP gubernatorial candidates have split on Interior Secretary James Watt's controversial plans to permit drilling along scenic stretches of the Central and Northern California Coast.

San Diego Mayor Pete Wilson and Attorney General George Deukmejian disagree on whether oil and gas leasing, exploration and drilling should be expanded, while a third likely candidate, Lt. Gov. Mike Curb, declined to take a position.

The matter broke into the open last week when The Bee reported that Bill Roberts, working for Republican candidates who are seeking public office in 1982, warned President Reagan that Watt's proposal may hurt Republican candidates' chances in 1982. Roberts and California GOP Chairman Tirso del Junco asked Watt to defer any decision on expanded oil leasing until after the 1982 elections.

Thursday, the Interior Depart-

ment announced that Watt is delaying a decision on the politically sensitive issue, which has split the Reagan administration.

Roberts, a key strategist in Deukmejian's campaign, said he has not discussed the matter with Deukmejian and Deukmejian had nothing to

do with his memo to the White House.

However, Deukmejian conceded that expanded oil drilling off the California coast may be an issue in the GOP gubernatorial primary.

Capitol Report

"It will be a subject of discussion," Deukmejian said. "But to say it will be a major issue is premature. The interior department could decide not to sell the oil leases; then there would be no controversy." Deukmejian says if the drilling can be done

in a safe manner and without damaging the coast line, and if the yield is sufficient, he would not oppose it.

San Diego Mayor Pete Wilson, on the other hand, says some of the leases being considered off the northern and central California coast line are not worth the economic risk involved in oil exploration. He says geological surveys indicate a low potential yield.

"Different tracts are involved," he said. "One is off ... San Diego; others, off the central and Northern California coast, from Santa Cruz County to Marin County, are similar in that they offer relatively little in the way of yield." "I would measure the potential yield of any field against the risk of onshore damage." The offshore San Diego oil lease was withdrawn by former Secretary of the Interior Cecil Andrus, but there is speculation Watt may include it in his proposal to expand leasing and drilling. Wilson says neither the tract off San Diego nor the central and Northern California

offshore lands should be offered to oil companies.

Curb said that as one of three members of the State Lands Commission it would be inappropriate to comment on Watt's proposals until he has a chance to study the matter further.

Another member of the State Lands Commission, and a potential Democratic candidate for governor, State Controller Kenneth Cory, told The Bee: "I'm against Watt's expanding oil leasing off the California coast because he can't run what the department has already leased. I'm willing to speak out against incompetent government actions and feel that others should as well."

Los Angeles Mayor Tom Bradley, another potential Democratic candidate for governor, has written to Watt telling him, "Additional sales and an accelerated schedule for pending sales are unjustified given the consensus of the industry's comments that changes are not necessary in the scheduling of sales of oil leases in the lower 48 states."

I, personally know Mayor Wilson and he's doing well in the GOP race. Love this article that W.

16 July 1981

Dear Mrs. Daniels:

Thank you for your recent letter regarding the President's appointment of Judge Sandra O'Connor to be an Associate Justice to the Supreme Court.

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Sincerely,

EDWIN MEESE III
Counsellor to the President

Mrs. Shasta Daniels
Route 2, Box 688
Robeline, LA 71469

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OPPOSE SANDRA O'CONNOR SUPPORT A STRONG PRO FAMILY NOMINEE
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16 July 1981

Dear Miss Kniep:

Thank you for your recent letter regarding the President's appointment of ~~Judge Sandra O'Connor~~ to be an Associate Justice to the Supreme Court.

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Sincerely,

EDWIN MEESE III
Counsellor to the President

Miss L. Kniep

Byron, NE 68325

✓ cc: Ed Meese

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S. C. F.

Mr. Ed Meese
Mr. Lynn Rofziger

Dear Sirs,

I am writing in regards to
the nomination of SANDRA J. O'CONNOR
I understand she is Pro-Abortion,
and Pro-ERA, which I thought
Pres. Reagan was opposed to and
elected for.

~~We can't support this kind
of person, and OPPOSE her
nomination!!~~

Sincerely
Linda Kniep
Byron, Ne.

16 July 1981

Dear Miss Eldridge:

Thank you for your recent letter regarding the President's appointment of Judge Sandra O'Connor to be an Associate Justice to the Supreme Court.

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Sincerely,

EDWIN MEESE III
Counsellor to the President

X
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Edwin Meese III
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Dear Mr. Meese:

We at this center, as well as many others, were upset with Mr. Reagan's consideration for Supreme Court Justice. Mr. Reagan, in the past, has upheld the value of life at the moment of conception, therefore, it is quite puzzeling to us why he has considered this choice?

I do not believe that compromise is even, or should ever be a consideration when we are weighing out qualification as opposed to destruction of the unborn. There are many well qualified people that will do the job well and restore this Godly nation (once was) to the principals of its foundation.

However, I am not content to believe that we are now to judge the book by its cover! After attending WASHINGTON FOR JESUS and believing that God has placed Mr. Reagan in the position he is in, and also seeing his boldness in the past, at any cost, I want to believe that there is more to this issue than meets the eye.

I am hoping to hear, if it be the will of God, that after she is sworn in, that she will come out and shock this nation and tell them she has changed and is pro-life. I guess I am praying that Mr. Reagan now, is being wise as a serpent and yet gentle as a dove.

In His Love,

Joanne Eldridge
Joanne Eldridge, President
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Dear Dr. Clarke:

Thank you for your recent letter regarding the President's appointment of Judge Sandra O'Connor to be an Associate Justice to the Supreme Court.

The President chose Judge O'Connor because of her distinguished judicial career after careful evaluation and an investigation conducted by the Attorney General. The President personally met and interviewed Judge O'Connor and is convinced she shares his views on social issues. You will find, after careful review, that some misleading statements have been made about her distinguished career. Please know that I will always be most interested in your comments and thoughts.

Sincerely,

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Mr. Edwin Meese,
Chief of Staff,
The White House,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Meese,

I would be most grateful if you would convey to the President my deepest sense of shock and bitter disappointment concerning his choice of Mrs. O'Connor.

I worked without pay and without recognition to help get President Reagan into the White House. Two of the things which motivated me were his anti-abortion and anti ERA positions.

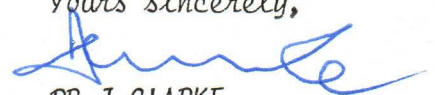
I believe that I was also very helpful in getting Senator East elected, and I have been, for a number of years, of help to Senator Helms. For these services I have never sought recognition or compensation. It was enough that at last conservatives had won a great victory.

But now I see that victory slipping away, with so many non-conservatives appointed to key positions, the latest being Mrs O'Connor.

I cannot see how Mrs. O'Connor's voting record as a legislator, that is to say pro ERA and pro abortion, lines up with the Republican Party platform on these matters. The old adage "Actions speak louder than words" would seem to apply in Mrs O'Connors case.

While Mrs O'Connor may be well qualified judicially, in my opinion she falls far short in the areas mentioned above. The President must surely be aware that his decision to nominate Mrs O'Connor has caused the gravest unrest in conservative circles?

Yours sincerely,


DR. J. CLARKE.

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Mr. Ed Meese
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Attention: Mr. Tom DeCair

Dear Mr. DeCair,

I would like to express
my deep concern for the possible
appointment of Sandra O'Connor
as Supreme Court Justice.

Certainly with the consensus
of the country and the conservative
move, it would be a grave
to appoint someone such as
Mrs. O'Connor who does not
hold to this consensus.

Sincerely

Philip Rohrer