STANFORD LAW SCHOOL,
Stanford, Calif., October 28, 1971.

Hon. JAMES O. EASTLAND,
Senate Judiciary Committee,
New Senate Office Building. Washington, D.C.

DEAR SENATOR EASTLAND: This letter expresses my unqualified and enthusiastic support of the nomination of William H. Rehnquist as Associate Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court and the hope that his nomination will be speedily approved by the Committee and confirmed by the Senate.

During his student days in the Stanford Law School I came to intimately know Bill Rehnquist in the classroom, in my office, and in my home. Since his graduation in 1952 we have kept in touch with each other and have had frequent chats about his professional activities in private practice and in pubilc service.

As a student he was nothing short of brilliant, dogged in his determination to achieve excellence and persistent in his expectation of excellence on the other side of the podium. I vividly recall that in the give and take of the classroom he tested my stature and sharpened my thinking as an instructor many times. He was always forthright and courageous, never equivocal, never evasive, always refined and profound in his analysis of difficult problems; his thoughts were always precisely formulated and precisely expressed. In those days it was so very easy for one like myself to predict with complete confidence that he would have a distinguished professional career, that he would become, as the President has called him, a "lawyer's lawyer." and that he would fully meet his obligations to society as a lawyer citizen.

Bill Rehnquist is not only qualified, but is eminently qualified to be a Justice of the Supreme Court. He is a fine person, a lawyer of extraordinary ability and competence, extraordinarily well equipped to meet and resolve with wisdom and good judgment those delicate and complex issues which confront a Justice, and above all else he is a man of complete intellectual and personal integrity. He will have a distinguished career on the Court.

Sincerely yours,

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Jackson Eli Reynolds,
Professor of Law Emeritus.

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN LAW SCHOOL,
Ann Arbor, Mich., October 29, 1971.

Senator JAMES O. EASTLAND.
Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee,
The Capitol,
Washington, D.C.

DEAR SENATOR EASTLAND: It was my privilege to serve as Deputy Assistant Attorney General for the Office of Legal Counsel, United States Department of from May, 1969 through July, 1970. In that capacity, I worked very closely with Justice. during the period from May, 1969 through July, 1970. In that capacity, I worked very closely which William H Rehnquist, the Assistant Attorney General for the office nominated for a Supreme Court position by the President last week. I urge you to support his nomination.

William H. Rehnquist is as fine a lawyer as I have encountered. He has a scholarly, intellectual approach to legal problems which is not found in many practicing lawyers. While he and I did not always agree on the resolution of legal issues, I always received a fair hearing and found him eager to learn all that he could before making a decision. In addition to a powerful legal mind, and perhaps equally as important, Mr. Rehnquist has abiding interest in and concern for the development of the law and legal institutions. He has all the qualities to become a truly great judge, and to assume a substantial degree of intellectual leadership on the Court for a number of years to come.

Based upon my close working relationship with Mr. Rehnquist, I believe he is exceptionally well qualified for the position to which he has been nominated. I might also add that I have been somewhat dismayed by charges made during the past that he is a "racist." That is a term used rather loosely these days, but I surely hope that we have not reached the point where all political conservatives

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