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FROM: Elena Ruth Sassower, Coordinator

Dear Mr. Tomasky:

In view of Nat Hentoff's statement in the current issue of The Village Voice,

"...Senate hearings on the qualifications of prospective federal judges are largely ignored by the press--unless the nominees are for the Supreme Court. Yet, if confirmed, district court and circuit court judges have a hell of a lot to do with the ways in which justice turns." (emphasis added),

we ask that you immediately show him our critique and related correspondence--starting with our May 18, 1992 letter to Senate Majority Leader Mitchell which calls for a moratorium of confirmation on judicial nominees.

Since the Senate is coming back into session next week--and the Carnes confirmation (among others) will be high on their agenda--we would appreciate your expeditious return call so that we can discuss how best to proceed with a critique which discredits the entire screening process.

Thanks and regards.

Elena