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February 25, 1992

President George Bush
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20500

RE: Nomination of Andrew O'Rourke

Dear President Bush:

We have received no response to our January 7, 1992 letter--which followed up our November 20, 1991 letter--requesting information as to the basis for your nomination of Andrew O'Rourke for a federal judgeship.

We are informed by the Senate Judiciary Committee that such information must be sought from you directly. Indeed, we received a letter from Chairman Biden, dated January 31, 1992, stating:

"...your inquiries about the selection of Mr. O'Rourke for this position--a process in which the Judiciary Committee is not involved--should be directed to Senator D'Amato's office and the White House."

To date, despite our numerous requests to Senator D'Amato's office, we have received no response as to the basis for the Senator's recommendation of Mr. O'Rourke's name to you.

In view of the lapse of three months since our initial November 20, 1991 letter--and the fact that this nominee is presently before the Senate Judiciary Committee for confirmation--we respectfully ask that this request be accorded some priority.

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To expedite a response, we enclose the previous correspondence sent you in this matter.

Yours for a quality judiciary,

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Enclosures:

- (a) 11/20/91 ltr
- (b) 1/7/92 ltr

cc: Senator Joseph R. Biden, Jr.
Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee
Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan