Supreme Court of the United States Washington, D. C. 20543

CHAMBERS OF JUSTICE DAVID H. SOUTER May 1, 2009

Dear Mr. President:

When the Supreme Court rises for the summer recess this year, I intend to retire from regular active service as a Justice, under the provisions of 28 US.C. § 371(b)(1), having attained the age and met the service requirements of subsection(c) of that section. I mean to continue to render substantial judicial service as an Associate Justice.

Yours respectfully,

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