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Judges*

December 12, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR

**The Honorable Laurence Silberman
Deputy Attorney General
Department of Justice**

**Attached is a copy of a letter from
Owen W. Crumpacker to the President
concerning the appointment of a new
Federal Judge for the Northern District of
Indiana, Hammond Division, to replace
Judge Allen Sharp.**

**Phillip W. Buchen
Counsel to the President**

Attachment

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OWEN W. CRUMPACKER

ATTORNEY AT LAW

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HAMMOND, INDIANA

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PETER CRUMPACKER (1857-1918)
FREDERICK C. CRUMPACKER (1881-1948)
OWEN W. CRUMPACKER

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TELEPHONE WESTMORE 2-0825

December 2, 1974

AIR MAIL

Honorable Gerald R. Ford
President of the
United States of America
White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Jerry:

C As a long-time, card-carrying Republican, I would like to write you on the subject of the appointment of a new Federal Judge for the Northern District of Indiana, Hammond Division, to replace Judge Allen Sharp who is moving to South Bend to take the late George N. Beamer's place.

O The importance of appointing a strong, capable Republican lawyer in this district cannot be underestimated. Congressman Ray J. Madden carried the Indiana 1st Congressional District by a large majority. Senator Birch Bayh beat Richard Lugar by over 40,000 in Lake County --- enough to carry the entire state. Mayor Robert Pastrick, of East Chicago, the Lake County Democratic Chairman, is grooming himself to succeed Madden.

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Y The situation has not changed since the April 29, 1966 article (enclosed) appeared in the "Time Magazine". Dr. John B. Nicosia, former East Chicago mayor, was indicted, tried and convicted of bribery. Ray Madden testified as a character witness. Federal Judge Sam Parry, sent out by Chief Judge Luther M. Swygert of the Seventh Circuit, vacated the conviction. As you are aware, Judge Swygert, a former Lake County, Indiana Democratic Chairman, was a character witness at the trial of Otto Kerner.

I have talked to David Dennis about the situation. A former United States Attorney from Columbia City, Indiana, Phil McNagny, who was cleared by the F.B.I. and the A.B.A. when Judge Sharp was appointed by President Nixon, may be interested in the appointment. Maybe David Dennis might take the job. Earl Landgrebe's man, Valparaiso Circuit Judge Alfred Pivarnik, is not only unqualified, but has been in bed with the democrats too often to be reliable.



OWEN W. CRUMPACKER

Honorable Gerald R. Ford
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I believe it unwise to select someone from the Fort Wayne area other than Phil McNagny. A young man from South Bend, Indiana Court of Appeals Judge Staton, might merit consideration.

I would be extremely circumspect about any recommendations at the moment from Governor Otis Bowen or his Lake County representative, Joseph Kotso. Our big problem is and has been that the Democratic Party has as much, if not more, influence in the Republican Party than the democrats.

I was down in the Snake Pit at Columbus last Saturday. You were lucky to be in Vladivostok.

I hope that you won't get discouraged after the new Congress starts giving you a working over. I think that you are doing a fine job. Also, how about getting B.B. Kelly and a few of the also rans that played on the freshman football team in 1931 down to the White House for brunch?

With best regards, I am

Very truly yours,



Owen W. Crumpacker

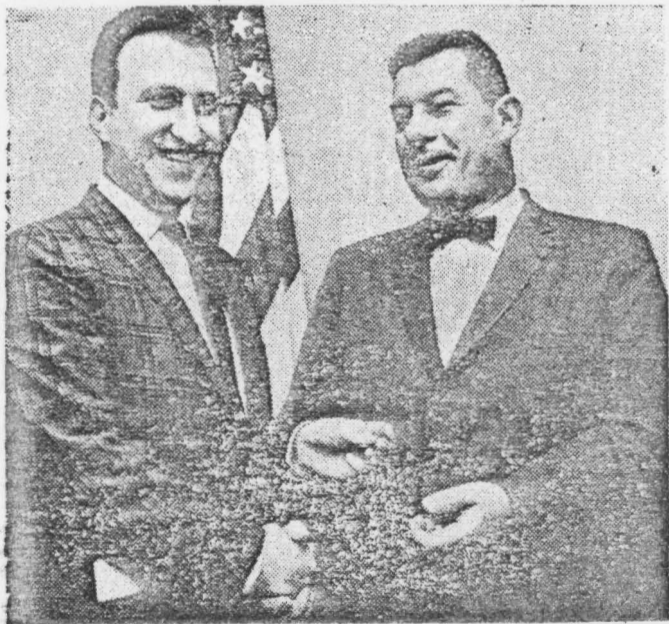
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cc: ✓ Phillip Buchen, Esq.
Hon. David W. Dennis





DEDICATE BUILDING—Speaking at dedication of federal building is George Chacharis, former Gary mayor. Seated are (from left): Sam Bushemi, Lake county assessor; Rep. Ray Madden (D., Ind.); and John Nicosia, East Chicago mayor. Chacharis was asked to come up from audience to speak.



KEYS TO FRONT DOOR—Michael Gariup (left), contractor, hands over keys to Gary's \$1,400,000 federal building to Leonard Webb, building manager, during recent dedication ceremony. The building will house 14 federal agencies.

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MODERN ARCHERS

Robin Hood Co

Chicago Tribune

May 12, 1966



U.S. probes cop-hood

12 Section 1 Chicago Tribune, Thursday, November 28, 1974.



From page one

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Indiana policy racket is key

By John O'Brien

Judgehips

December 17, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR

The Honorable Laurence Silberman
Deputy Attorney General
Department of Justice

Attached is a copy of a letter from Louis A. Weil, Jr.,
concerning the appointment to a Federal bench vacancy
for the Northern District of Indiana.

Philip W. Buchen
Counsel to the President

Attachment

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Personal
Judgeships

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 2, 1975

Dear Lou:

My apologies for not answering your letter sooner. However, I did promptly refer a copy to the Attorney General for his consideration, because his office processes recommendations for judgeships.

Best wishes for the New Year.

Sincerely,



Philip W. Buchen
Counsel to the President

Mr. Louis A. Weil, Jr., President
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December 12, 1974

Philip W. Buchen
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Phil:

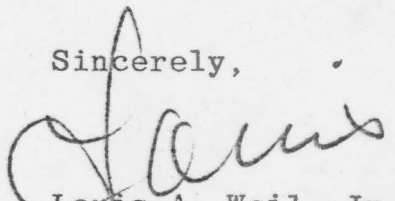
There is a Federal bench vacancy for the Northern District of Indiana that will probably be filled soon. The seat is Hammond, which carries one of the heaviest case-loads of any district in the country.

A leading candidate is Judge Jack A. King, recently re-elected as Judge of Superior Court 2 of this area. I enclose you informational material concerning him and his distinguished career.

I fully realize this may not be in your bailiwick at all and that, with two Indiana Democratic Senators, a recommendation undoubtedly will be forthcoming from Republican Governor Bowen. However, in case this matter should come to your attention, I would appreciate it if you would inform the President it is my personal conviction that Judge King is eminently qualified and that he would be doing a fine service for the State of Indiana and the Federal Judiciary by appointing him. You will note Jack King is endorsed unanimously by the Tippecanoe Bar, Republicans and Democrats alike.

I send you my very best wishes.

Sincerely,


Louis A. Weil, Jr.



Acknowledgment unnecessary.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS due to the untimely and unfortunate death of the Honorable George N. Beamer, a vacancy now exists in the Federal Judiciary for the Northern District of Indiana.

WHEREAS the Northern District of Indiana has always enjoyed a reputation for having outstanding jurists.

WHEREAS a member of the Tippecanoe County Bar Association, the Honorable Jack A. King, Judge of Superior Court 2, should be considered for appointment to the Federal Judiciary as a Judge of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Indiana.

WHEREAS since January 1, 1970 Judge Jack A. King has served as Judge of Superior Court 2 with distinction and has acquired a reputation as one of the outstanding trial judges in the State of Indiana.

WHEREAS Judge Jack A. King has the judicial temperament, integrity, morality, and ability to administer justice in an impartial manner with due regard to efficient administration of a large case load.

WHEREAS Judge Jack A. King is a highly competent legal scholar and was an able and experienced practitioner of the law prior to his appointment as Judge.



WHEREAS the tremendous burden and case load of the Federal Judiciary requires that the individual appointed to replace the Honorable George N. Beamer be an experienced Judge who will be able to assume the duties without a period of uncertainty and learning.

WHEREAS Judge Jack A. King has devoted himself to civic, youth and church activities and is an outstanding citizen.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved, that with great pride, the Tippecanoe County Bar Association wholeheartedly recommends to the President of the United States that the Honorable Jack A. King be appointed as a member of the Federal Judiciary to serve all the citizens of Northern Indiana as Judge of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Indiana.

Approved November 26, 1974.





JACK A. KING

JUDGE, SUPERIOR COURT NO. 2 OF TIPPECANOE COUNTY

LAFAYETTE, INDIANA



RESUME OF JACK A. KING

JUDGE, SUPERIOR COURT NO. 2 OF TIPPECANOE COUNTY

1. Judicial Experience.

In 1969, at the age of 32, Judge King was appointed by Governor Edgar Whitcomb as the first judge of Superior Court No. 2 of Tippecanoe County, a court of general jurisdiction that had been created by the Indiana General Assembly. King took office January 1, 1970, and had the responsibility of organizing the new court. In 1970, King ran for election to a full four year term and was unopposed. He was then one of the youngest trial judges in the State of Indiana. Judge King is now completing his fifth year on the bench, and in November, 1974, he was re-elected to a second term of four years without any opposition.

His experience has included a wide variety of cases in his own court as well as special judge assignments in courts of other counties. In addition, in 1970 he was appointed by the Indiana Appellate Court to hear tax reassessment cases affecting all of the real estate in Jasper County, and in 1972 he was appointed by the Indiana Supreme Court to conduct hearings and recommend disciplinary action with respect to an Indianapolis Attorney.

Judge King has made a determined and successful effort to manage his increased case-load and to dispose of cases without unnecessary delay.

2. Practice of Law.

- (a) Admitted to practice September 6, 1961. Practiced from then until January 1, 1970, when became trial judge. Former partner in the law firm of Ball, Eggleston, King & Bumbleburg, located at Lafayette, Indiana.
- (b) Served in 1968 as special counsel to the City of Lafayette, Indiana, for the purpose of writing and issuance of \$700,000 municipal bonds.



(c) Litigation handled:

Federal Court

Numerous personal injury claims, mortgage foreclosures, and other civil claims including guaranty, all before Judge Jesse Eschbach of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Indiana, at Lafayette and Fort Wayne.

State Courts

Wrongful death, personal injury prosecution and defense, insurance claims, and general civil and limited criminal cases in State Courts in Tippecanoe, Benton, White, Carroll, Clinton, Montgomery, Fountain, Warren, Jasper, Newton, Miami Counties.

Industrial Board of Indiana

Cases for claimants and insurance defenses.

3. Professional Memberships.

American Bar Association
Indiana State Bar Association
Indiana Judges Association
Tippecanoe County Bar Association
Indiana Judicial Conference

4. Education.

- (a) Doctor of Jurisprudence, Indiana University School of Law--1961
- (b) Bachelor of Science in Business, Indiana University--1958
- (c) Graduated Lafayette Jefferson High School, Lafayette, Indiana, June, 1954
- (d) Attended Washington Junior High School, Lafayette, Indiana, September, 1948 to June, 1949



- (e) Attended Highland Grade School, Lafayette, Indiana, September, 1942 to June, 1948

5. Collegiate Fraternal Affiliations and Activities.

- (a) Indiana Law School Moot Court Team--Regional competition at Chicago-1960
- (b) Phi Delta Phi Legal Fraternity
- (c) Law School Honor Code Committee
- (d) Senior Representative to Student Bar Association
- (e) Phi Kappa Psi Social Fraternity--Undergraduate president of chapter; also recording secretary

6. Religious, Civic and Fraternal Affiliations.

- (a) Member of Congress Street United Methodist Church, Lafayette, Indiana. Present Chairman of its Administrative Board, and Chairman-select of its Pastor-Parish Relations Committee. Former member of Board of Trustees
- (b) B.P.O. Elks Lodge 143, Lafayette, Indiana
- (c) Board of Directors, Golden Broncho Club, Inc., Lafayette, Indiana
- (d) Member Parent-Teachers Associations at Edgelea Grade School and Tecumseh Junior High School, Lafayette, Indiana
- (e) Active in American Legion Baseball from 1963 until 1972, and in promotion of Lafayette Boys Baseball 1973 and 1974

7. Other Public Activities.

- (a) Member of Board of Zoning Appeals for the City of Lafayette, Indiana for a period of 5 years in mid 1960s
- (b) Guest Analyst 1971, 1972, and 1973 Indiana University School of Law Moot Court

- (c) Numerous speeches regarding judicial system made to classes at Purdue University School of Engineering, Sunnyside Junior High School, Lafayette Jefferson High School, service clubs, and Boy Scout, Girl Scout and Cub Scout groups

8. Family and Vital Statistics.

- (a) Residence: 3519 Canterbury Drive, Lafayette Indiana
- (b) Married to former Mary Stover of West Point, Indiana, December 10, 1960
- (c) One son, Jeffrey Alan, born February 10, 1962; Two daughters, Janice Diane, born August 11, 1964, and Julie Denise, born February 19, 1968
- (d) Father was Noah C. King, former vice president of Purdue National Bank of Lafayette. He passed away April 14, 1968

Mother is Mabel Pierce King, 1500 S. 18th Street, Lafayette, Indiana

- (e) Childhood--Born Lafayette, Indiana, July 29, 1936. Grew up in Lafayette and attended local schools until leaving to attend Indiana University in September, 1954.

9. Physical Health.

Good. Passed complete physical exam given at Arnett Clinic, Lafayette, Indiana, November 1, 1974. Personal physician is Fred Kuipers, M.D., whose office is at Arnett Clinic.

