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President Talbot S. D'Alemberte
American Bar Association
750 North Lake Shore Drive
Chicago, Illinois 60611

Dear President D'Alemberte:

Transmitted herewith is a copy of our critique of the qualifications of Andrew O'Rourke, documenting his unfitness for the federal judgeship to which he has been nominated by President Bush.

Based thereon, we call upon the American Bar Association to reconsider the favorable rating it gave to Mr. O'Rourke's nomination--and retract it.

In view of the clear evidence that appropriate screening is not taking place--a situation affecting not only Mr. O'Rourke's nomination, but other federal judicial nominations as well--we invite the American Bar Association to join us in urging the Senate to declare a moratorium on confirmations of pending judicial nominations.

Very truly yours,

ELENA RUTH SASSOWER
Coordinator, Ninth Judicial Committee

Enclosures:

- (a) critique and compendium of exhibits
- (b) 5/18/92 ltr to Senator Mitchell

cc: Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell
Chairman Joseph Biden, Senate Judiciary Committee
Alliance for Justice
People for the American Way