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Office of Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan
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ATT: Richard Eaton, Administrative Assistant

Dear Mr. Eaton:

This letter follows up my numerous telephone calls over the last several days. Upon calling this morning, your secretary finally confirmed for me that you have, in fact, received the materials we sent to Senator Moynihan's office.

We wish you to know that in the month and a half since we sent the Senator a copy of our critique, we have gotten not the slightest acknowledgement of our efforts, let alone any recognition of the significance of our findings.

We note from the enclosed front-page item appearing in today's New York Law Journal that Senator Moynihan made remarks yesterday relative to confirmation of judicial nominees.

We would appreciate a copy--as soon as possible--of the Senator's full remarks on the subject--which we understand are available as part of the congressional record.

Please call us at your earliest convenience. If you believe that our critique does not merit discussion of the matter with us, kindly send it back to us by return mail. Indeed, our resources have already been sorely depleted by our many long-distance phone calls and faxes--which your office routinely ignores.

Very truly yours,

ELENA RUTH SASSOWER
Coordinator, Ninth Judicial Committee

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Update

Its Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan complained yesterday about the "hold" placed on the confirmation of four women judicial nominees in a political dispute over a fifth nominee, while four "white male Republicans" won unanimous Senate confirmation last Friday, a day after being approved by the Judiciary Committee. Senator Moynihan, in a statement on the Senate floor, noted that Republican Senators have prevented votes on three of the four women nominees — including Loretta A. Preska and Sonia Sotomayor for the Southern District — since they received committee approval June 11. The dispute centers on the nomination of Edward E. Carnes — an Alabama prosecutor with strong capital punishment views dubbed "Mr. Death Penalty" by critics — for the 11th Circuit Court of Appeals. "It would be one thing if all nominations were to be held up," he said. " ... If you happen to be a white Republican male you go right through, but if you happen to be female ... you just stay put," he said.

The Appellate Division, First Department, has rejected claims by Ivana Trump's attorneys that attorneys for Donald Trump misrepresented the record of their divorce proceedings in arguments (NYLJ, May 8). The court has refused to rehear arguments in the case, in which it ordered Mrs. Trump not to discuss the couple's marriage, or to issue a stay pending appeal. Meanwhile, a hearing was held yesterday before Manhattan Supreme Court Justice Phyllis B. Gangel Jacob on whether Mrs. Trump is living with another man. If she is,

Senate Court of Appeals

BY GARY SPENCER

ALBANY — The New York Court of Appeals declared the state's new redistricting plan constitutional yesterday, despite its "intention" of the State Constitution of drawing districts that cross county lines.

"We are satisfied that the state and federal requirements [Legislature] has complied with the State Constitution as far as possible..." Chief Judge Justice wrote in a 4-1 opinion. Dissenting Judge warned that the ruling invites "anti-gerrymandering" of the State Constitution. The Court issued its decision yesterday after hearing oral arguments.

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Letter of Murray D. dated April 15, 1992. It is the official policy of the American Bar Association for a federal judge evaluation of investigations other than the American Bar Association's New York City Bar Association selecting and appointing. Statement of the American Bar Association. The American Bar Association formalized role in understanding that some such interpretations are