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Justice Sandra Day O'Connor has today sent the attached letter to the White House notifying the President of her retirement from the Supreme Court effective upon the nomination and confirmation of her successor.

Justice O'Connor was nominated by President Ronald Reagan on July 7, 1981 and was sworn in on September 25, 1981. She was the first woman appointed to the Supreme Court of the United States.

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CHAMBERS OF
JUSTICE SANDRA DAY O'CONNOR

July 1, 2005

Dear President Bush:

This is to inform you of my decision to retire from my position as an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States effective upon the nomination and confirmation of my successor. It has been a great privilege, indeed, to have served as a member of the Court for 24 Terms. I will leave it with enormous respect for the integrity of the Court and its role under our Constitutional structure.

Sincerely,


Sandra Day O'Connor

The President
The White House
Washington, D. C.