

Nomination for a United States District Court Judge *September 23, 1994*

The President announced today the nomination of Patrick J. Toole, Jr., for the U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania.

"Patrick Toole has a profound commitment to public service," the President said. "He will serve Pennsylvania well on the Federal bench."

NOTE: A biography of the nominee was made available by the Office of the Press Secretary.

Appointment of Deputy Chief of Staff for White House Operations *September 23, 1994*

The President today named Erskine B. Bowles, currently the Administrator of the Small Business Administration, as his Deputy Chief of Staff for White House Operations. Mr. Bowles, who will also be an Assistant to the President, will take over his new responsibilities on October 3.

In the new White House staff structure, also announced today by Chief of Staff Leon E. Panetta, Mr. Bowles will be responsible for internal White House operations as well as the day-to-day activities of the President and will oversee access to the Oval Office.

The offices reporting to him will be the Office of Scheduling and Advance, the Office of Management and Administration, the Office of Presi-

dential Personnel, and the Office of the Staff Secretary, as well as the Director of Oval Office Operations.

"I am very excited that Erskine is coming to the White House," the President said. "As SBA Administrator, he turned around an agency that previous administrations had neglected. It has become a beacon of support for the Nation's small businesses, and it now responds with incredible speed and sensitivity to major disasters. Erskine will undoubtedly bring to the White House the same vigor and creativity with which he has headed the SBA."

NOTE: A biography of the appointee was made available by the Office of the Press Secretary.

Nomination for Chair of the Council on Environmental Quality *September 23, 1994*

The White House today announced a plan to reorganize the environmental operations within the Executive Office of the President by merging the White House Office on Environmental Policy (OEP) with the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ). In a move that will give continued strength to environmental policy-making in the administration, environmental activities will be consolidated under the Chair of the CEQ.

The President will nominate Kathleen A. (Katie) McGinty, currently Director of the Of-

fice on Environmental Policy, as Chair of the CEQ.

"I am pleased to nominate Katie as my new chair of the Council on Environmental Quality," the President said. "She has served this administration, the American people, and most of all the environment with skill and dedication. I am confident that Katie will continue to reflect my commitment to the environment in her new, expanded role."

The President continued, "This merger will enable us to advance our environmental agenda sensibly and effectively. Joining these two teams

will make it easier to achieve the goals of economic growth and environmental protection.”

NOTE: A biography of the nominee was made available by the Office of the Press Secretary.

Remarks at a Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee Dinner in Chicago, Illinois

September 23, 1994

Thank you very much. Senator Graham, Senator Simon, Senator Moseley-Braun, Senator Biden, Senator Leahy, Mrs. Daley, Secretary Babbitt, Secretary Shalala. Joe Cari, thank you for doing such a wonderful job tonight. Let me say a special word of thanks to David Wilhelm for his heroic efforts over the last 2 years on behalf of the Democratic Party. David and I were flying in tonight on the helicopter, and we flew across the lake and we were coming in, and I said—I looked at him, and I said, “Lord, I love Chicago, and I miss being here.” And we went through all of our history together. And I remember so well the night at the Navy Pier when I named him my campaign manager and all the things that happened and the night of St. Patrick’s Day in 1992, when the votes in Illinois and Michigan pretty well ensured the nomination of our campaign in the election. I am so glad to be back here, and I want to say a special word of thanks to David and to Degee, who is also here. And I wish them well. They’re about to give us one more Democrat in a couple of months—[laughter]—which is the most important thing of all.

We’re looking forward to being back here for the convention as well, and I know you’ll be a good host. And we will show Chicago to the world in a way that is very, very good.

Let me say—I want to say some political things. I’d like to start by thanking the people who have spoken already so much for what they have said but more importantly for their service to our country and their leadership. Every one of them has rendered enormous service to this Nation and stood up for the ordinary citizens of this country and has been willing to take on the real problems of this country.

But before I get into my remarks about the election and about what’s at stake I think I ought to say a few words to you about our mission in Haiti. I’m pleased to report that we’re making good progress. I had the opportunity

to talk on the plane coming out here with General Shelton, General Meade, and our Ambassador there, Bill Swing, who has done a magnificent job under incredibly adverse circumstances.

Soon our coalition will be at full strength, including about 14,000 American service people, about a thousand military police who will keep a close watch on the Haitian police to see that we do keep order with professionalism and restraint. Soon they’ll be joined and then replaced by hundreds of international police monitors from now well over two dozen countries, many of them coming from all over the world because they believe in what we are trying to do there in ending human rights abuses and restoring democracy.

The Haitian military, so far, has cooperated very well with our Armed Forces. They’re turning over their heavy weapons. We’re helping to buy back light weapons from the militia and the civilians. The situation is already calmer and more peaceful than it was when we got there.

On Monday, the first shipload of Haitian migrants from Guantanamo will go home to Haiti to begin to build a peaceful and a free life, and we expect more to follow soon. Of course, difficulties remain; they are always part of any military undertaking. But I want you to know you can be very proud of the men and women in the armed services that are down there executing a complex and exceedingly difficult task. They deserve our praise, they deserve our prayers, and they deserve our support.

I also want to welcome the three candidates who are here tonight in Chicago: Congressman Sam Coppersmith from Arizona; Jack Mudd, I think clearly one of our most promising challengers from the wonderful State of Montana that was good enough to vote for the Clinton-Gore ticket in 1992; Bob Carr, who’s in a tight race in Michigan but who I am convinced is going to win that race and going to be the next Senator from Michigan. Each of them has