

RETIREMENT OF MR. JUSTICE BRANDEIS.

On March 3, 1939, it was ordered by the Court that the accompanying correspondence between members of the Court and Mr. Justice Brandeis be spread upon the minutes and that it also be printed in the reports of the Court.

SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

WASHINGTON, D. C.

FEBRUARY 17, 1939.

DEAR JUSTICE BRANDEIS: We deeply regret that you have found it advisable to retire from your regular active service as Associate Justice, a service which you have rendered for over twenty-two years with a vigor and devotion which have never been surpassed. Your long practical experience and intimate knowledge of affairs, the wide range of your researches and your grasp of the most difficult problems, together with your power of analysis and your thoroughness in exposition, have made your judicial career one of extraordinary distinction and far-reaching influence. It has always been gratifying to observe that the intensity of your labors has never been permitted to disturb your serenity of spirit and we shall have an abiding memory of your never-failing friendliness. We trust that, relieved of the pressing burden of regular court work, you may be able to conserve the strength which has been so lavishly used in the public service, and that you may enjoy many years of continued

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vigor. We extend to you our best wishes and the assurance of our affection and profound esteem.

Faithfully yours,

CHARLES E. HUGHES,
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HARLAN F. STONE,
OWEN J. ROBERTS,
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MR. JUSTICE BRANDEIS.

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

FEBRUARY 18, 1939.

MY DEAR CHIEF JUSTICE: You and the Associate Justices are very generous. Our friendship gives assurance that throughout the years to come we shall remain companions.

Cordially,

LOUIS D. BRANDEIS.