

## RETIREMENT OF THE CHIEF JUSTICE.

By order of MR. JUSTICE STONE the following correspondence between the Court and the CHIEF JUSTICE is appended to the minutes of June 2, 1941.

SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES,  
*Washington, D. C., June 2, 1941.*

DEAR CHIEF JUSTICE: The announcement of your decision to retire from the active duties of your office brings to us a deep sense of regret that our association with you in the daily work of the Court must end. In all the years of that association you have been tireless in carrying the heavy burden which unavoidably rests on the Chief Justice. With single-minded devotion to the high purpose of the Court you have brought to your leadership there all the resources gained from many years of eminent public and professional service, wide knowledge of the law, and that unflagging energy and painstaking care with which you have guided our deliberations with thoroughness and dispatch.

At this moment of parting we wish to assure you of the high regard and esteem in which we hold you and your distinguished services to the Court and to the country. We wish for you in the years to come unabated vigor and good health and the full enjoyment of the opportunity to continue to employ your talents in agreeable and useful accomplishment.

Faithfully yours,

HARLAN F. STONE.  
OWEN J. ROBERTS.  
HUGO L. BLACK.  
STANLEY REED.  
FELIX FRANKFURTER.  
WM. O. DOUGLAS.  
FRANK MURPHY.

The CHIEF JUSTICE.

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SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES,  
*Washington, D. C., June 3, 1941.*

MY DEAR BRETHREN: I shall always treasure the generous words of your letter. I keenly regret the necessity of giving up the privilege of our daily association and I shall carry into my retirement an abiding and precious memory of the good will and friendly consideration you have invariably shown me in the intimacy of our common endeavor. Despite my withdrawal from active service, I trust that our companionship may still continue and I extend to each of you the assurance of my high esteem and my earnest wish for your health and happiness.

Faithfully yours,

CHARLES E. HUGHES.

MR. JUSTICE STONE.

MR. JUSTICE ROBERTS.

MR. JUSTICE BLACK.

MR. JUSTICE REED.

MR. JUSTICE FRANKFURTER.

MR. JUSTICE DOUGLAS.

MR. JUSTICE MURPHY.