

APPOINTMENT OF MR. CHIEF JUSTICE VINSON

SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, 1946.

Present: MR. CHIEF JUSTICE VINSON, MR. JUSTICE BLACK, MR. JUSTICE REED, MR. JUSTICE FRANKFURTER, MR. JUSTICE DOUGLAS, MR. JUSTICE MURPHY, MR. JUSTICE JACKSON, MR. JUSTICE RUTLEDGE, and MR. JUSTICE BURTON.

MR. JUSTICE BLACK said:

The President, with the advice and consent of the Senate, has appointed Fred M. Vinson, of Kentucky, to be Chief Justice of the United States. He has presented his commission which will be filed, together with his oaths which he has previously taken in the forms prescribed by law.

The commission of MR. CHIEF JUSTICE VINSON is in the words and figures following, viz:

HARRY S. TRUMAN,

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

*To all who shall see these Presents, Greeting:*

KNOW YE; That reposing special trust and confidence in the Wisdom, Uprightness, and Learning of Fred M. Vinson, of Kentucky I have nominated, and, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, do appoint him Chief

Justice of the United States and do authorize and empower him to execute and fulfil the duties of that Office according to the Constitution and Laws of the said United States, and to Have and to Hold the said Office, with all the powers, privileges and emoluments to the same of right appertaining, unto Him, the said Fred M. Vinson, during his good behavior.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have caused these Letters to be made patent and the seal of the Department of Justice to be hereunto affixed.

Done at the City of Washington this twenty-first day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-six, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and seventieth.

HARRY S. TRUMAN

By the President:

TOM C. CLARK

*Attorney General.*