

United States District Court  
Central District of California  
United States Court House  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Chambers of  
Thurmond Clarke  
Chief United States District Judge

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The Honorable Richard M. Nixon  
President of the United States  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

My dear Mr. President:

The office of Chief Justice of the High Court of the U. S. Trust Territory has become vacant, and I would like to recommend Arvin H. Brown, Jr., Esq., for the appointment.

I have known Mr. Brown for many years. He is a graduate of Stanford University, and of the University of Southern California Law School. Following graduation from law school in 1947, Mr. Brown became associated with Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher, Los Angeles. He has been a successful attorney and also an outstanding trial lawyer in San Diego.

Mr. Brown served during World War II in the Pacific Theater as an infantry company commander, being released from active duty in February, 1946. After the Japanese surrender in 1945, he acted as governor of a province in Korea. From September, 1950, until February, 1952, he was recalled to active duty because of the Korean War, and served as a Division Staff Judge Advocate in the Far East Command.

On the personal side, Russell E. Train, who is Chairman of the Council of Environmental Quality, is a cousin of Arvin's; and Arvin's father, who is living, was a first cousin of the late General George S. Patton.

I feel that Arvin is eminently qualified for this position, and solicit your earnest consideration for his appointment.

Athalie is busy helping Margaret Brock for the dinner in honor of Senator Murphy to be held August 20th, and is on the women's committee.

With best wishes to you, in which Athalie joins me,  
I remain

Sincerely,

*Thurmond Clarke*

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Chief United States District Judge