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Hon. Chas E. Hughes,  
Washington, D. C..

Dear Sir:-

As one of those who supported you for the Presidency, and who has the very highest confidence in your ability and integrity (and one who also thoroughly believes in the wisdom of a judicial body to have check against the passions, prejudices and ambitions of politicians) I am appalled at the barefaced and revolutionary attempt of the President to pack the Supreme Court--for, whatever reason may be assigned, this is the real one.

I have very grave fears, however, that he will be successful in his efforts to dominate the Court, for the very simple reason that the Courts have, themselves, created a tremendous popular prejudice against the delayed legal processes which are common in the land; and the President has, with his usual skill, marshalled this provoked sentiment to his support in his revolutionary proposal. It is strange that the Judges of our Courts could not have been more responsive to the criticisms against undue delay which have been so generally manifested for many years.

I am seriously concerned as to where we are going in this nation; but it seems evident we will go wherever Franklin D. Roosevelt chooses to take us – and the situation looks dark.

Respectfully,

W. A. Taylor.