

I went to the floor of the Senate and demanded an apology from that Senator and said I had not leaked it, neither had my staff. I am pleased to say that he acknowledged that and indicated a correction. But I want to make it clear today to you, Judge Thomas, and to any of the rest of the world that neither this Senator nor any of my staff have been the source of any leaks to the press on this subject.

Thank you.

The CHAIRMAN. Judge, 15, 10, 20? How much time do you want. You are the guy under the gun, how much time do you want?

Judge THOMAS. Ten is fine.

The CHAIRMAN. We will recess for 10 minutes.

Senator KENNEDY. Mr. Chairman, if I could just ask the Judge, I was not aware that the Senator from Ohio was going to make the comment, but I, too, want to indicate here, before this committee and in this forum that neither I nor my staff were involved in any of these leaks. I regret that we all have to get into a situation where we have to deny these matters, but I want to give that assurance in this forum, in this committee to the Judge.

Senator HATCH. Mr. Chairman, I would like to speak on behalf of all of the Republicans, none of us did it, I will guarantee you that.

Judge THOMAS. Somebody did it, Senator.

Senator LEAHY. Well, obviously nobody did it.

The CHAIRMAN. The chair will recess for 10 minutes.

[Recess.]

Judge THOMAS. Senator, I would like to correct something. I was just informed by someone who is more informed than I was about my staff at Education. Again, this has been quite some time. I had two attorney advisors and I think two or three Schedule C appointees who also reported to me.

The CHAIRMAN. I am sorry, I could not hear the last part, Judge.

Judge THOMAS. Senator, I indicated that I only had two professional staffers.

The CHAIRMAN. Correct.

Judge THOMAS. It appears that I had two attorney advisors, one other than in addition to Anita Hill, as well as a second professional, and then, in addition to those, two political appointees, two or three political appointees on my personal staff, so that is six.

The CHAIRMAN. Judge, I am not sure it is relevant, but can you—

Judge THOMAS. Well, the—

The CHAIRMAN. No, no, I appreciate you correcting it. Do you recall the names of the two attorney advisors?

Judge THOMAS. Well, Anita Hill and Kathleen Flake, I think was the second—

The CHAIRMAN. Kathleen?

Judge THOMAS. Flake.

The CHAIRMAN. F-l-a—

Judge THOMAS [continuing]. k-e, I think.

The CHAIRMAN. You also had two or three political appointees.

Judge THOMAS. Whom I can't remember. That's easy enough to check.

The CHAIRMAN. OK, and then you mentioned one other person, the woman who was in law school at the time?

Judge THOMAS. Right. That's right.

The CHAIRMAN. She was not an attorney advisor, but she was one who was in frequent contact.

Judge THOMAS. Exactly.

The CHAIRMAN. OK. Thank you for correcting the record.

I think we are pretty well ready to wind up here, Judge, but it is now the opportunity of Senator Hatch to question, and he says he would like to have 30 minutes and he is entitled to that.

Senator HATCH. I hope I don't have to take the whole 30 minutes, Judge, but I do want to cover just one or two other points before we are through here today.

Judge Thomas, yesterday, Senator Heflin repeatedly asked you to ascribe some motivation to Professor Hill's allegations, and I think, from the way I look at this record, there are some profound differences in political philosophy between you and her.

I am about to read an excerpt of one of her statements that I think is worth putting in the record:

Hill said that her initial impression of Thomas was very favorable and she respected him for his accomplishments and concern for others. She said that she also came from a poor family, so she related closely to his circumstances. She said that when she started working for Thomas, he supported quotas for minorities in employment and Federal sanctions against employers who did not comply with the quotas, and then went on.

That is the relevant part.

Later, Hill said that she has also seen Thomas change his political philosophy since 1981 to the present, from supporting quotas for minorities in employment with sanctions for non-compliance to no quotas. She is concerned that these may be changed for personal political expediency and may not represent his true philosophy. If that is the case, he may no longer be open-minded, which is essential for an Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court.

The CHAIRMAN. Senator, what are you reading from?

Senator HATCH. I am reading from her statements made to the FBI agents.

The CHAIRMAN. So, you are reading from the FBI report?

Senator HATCH. That's right.

The CHAIRMAN. Senator, we agreed that we would not violate the committee rules and read from the FBI report. You and I agreed with the remainder of the committee in the room across the hall 2 hours ago. It is incredible to me that you would walk in here and read from an FBI report, when we all know it is against the committee rules to read from FBI reports.

Senator HATCH. Now we are concerned with FBI reports. I didn't agree to that. If you will recall, I stepped out to use the men's room. [Laughter.]

Which I do with regularity at my age, I have to say. But to make a long story short, how does that hurt anything?

The CHAIRMAN. Senator, let me tell you how it hurts. It is beyond the issue related to here. I may be mistaken, but I thought you were one who said in the other room that having dealt with these reports as much as any of us have, that they are full of nothing but hearsay on most occasions. The reason why I have worked so hard to keep FBI reports totally secret is because they have little or no probative weight, because they are hearsay. The FBI does their interviews by walking up to person A and saying will