

Senator SPECTER. So you have it out of character for Judge Thomas to do this and you have it out of character for Professor Hill to make the charges.

Ms. HOLT. Right.

Senator SPECTER. Then why is she making the charges?

Ms. HOLT. I have no idea, Senator.

Senator SPECTER. No speculation?

Ms. HOLT. None whatsoever, but I hope they find out.

Senator SPECTER. Well, I think that with you four women we have as good a chance to find out as any way.

Ms. FITCH, you were very friendly. You didn't go to lunch with her, but you knew her very well.

Ms. FITCH. We might have had lunch, Senator.

Senator SPECTER. I am sorry, I can't hear you.

Ms. FITCH. We might have had lunch together, Senator, I am not—

Senator SPECTER. But at any rate, you were close to her, you were friendly with her?

Ms. FITCH. Yes, exactly.

Senator SPECTER. And when you first heard of these charges against Judge Thomas what was your reaction?

Ms. FITCH. I was stunned. I was absolutely stunned.

Senator SPECTER. Stunned?

Ms. FITCH. Yes, and I still am.

Senator SPECTER. Still stunned?

Ms. FITCH. Yes.

Senator SPECTER. Was it in character for Professor Hill to make false charges like this?

Ms. FITCH. I have never known Professor Hill to make false charges. And as I said—

Senator SPECTER. Well, you knew her very well for how long?

Ms. FITCH. We were together from July 1982 to whenever she left in 1983, and I stayed in touch with her for possibly 2 years and I called maybe once every other month.

Senator SPECTER. Lots of contacts?

Ms. FITCH. Excuse me?

Well, when I was in the office and she was in the office we saw each other.

Senator SPECTER. Talked to her a great deal?

Ms. FITCH. Yes, I did because—

Senator SPECTER. Got to know her pretty well?

Ms. FITCH [continuing]. I felt she was kind of the person I could of relate to since I was new on the staff and she had been with the Chairman for some time, and I just felt that she was somebody I kind of gravitated to, to kind of get—

Senator SPECTER. But no idea, not any speculation?

Ms. FITCH. No speculation because there was no basis in the conversations that we have had and we had many at work.

Senator SPECTER. Ms. Berry, you have testified that your relationship was barely speaking professionally and we have already had extensive—

Ms. BERRY. With Angela Wright, but not with Anita Hill.

Senator SPECTER [continuing]. No, no, I am coming with Professor Hill. Oh, your relationship with Professor Hill was—