

I think we have a real opportunity to bring this perplexing matter to conclusion, to be a benefit to the victims, be a benefit to the companies, a benefit to the American economy, and I think that the court systems will probably breathe a huge sigh of relief if we are able to do that.

Chairman HATCH. Well, thank you, Senator.

Mr. Roberts, if you will stand and be sworn? Do you solemnly swear to tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, so help you God?

Mr. ROBERTS. I do.

Chairman HATCH. Thank you. Mr. Roberts, we welcome you again to the Committee. We are honored to have you back, and do you have any statement you would care to make?

**STATEMENT OF JOHN G. ROBERTS, JR., NOMINEE TO BE
CIRCUIT JUDGE FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA CIRCUIT**

Mr. ROBERTS. No, Mr. Chairman, other than to introduce my parents, Jack and Rosemary Roberts; my sister, Peggy; and my wife, Jane.

Chairman HATCH. Please stand up. We are really happy to welcome you all here once again. Okay.

[The biographical information of Mr. Roberts follows:]