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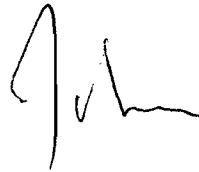
Dear Colleagues,

Collegiality and independence characterize our common endeavor. I thank you for your kind words. Far more importantly, Maryan and I thank each of you and each of your spouses - present and departed - for your warm and enduring friendship.

It has been an honor and a privilege to share custodial responsibility for a great institution with the eight of you and with ten of your predecessors. I have enjoyed working with each of you and with every member of the Supreme Court work force that has always taken such excellent care of the Justices. If I have overstayed my welcome, it is because this is such a unique and wonderful job.

I wish you all the best.

Most sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "John Paul Stevens", written in a cursive style.