Supreme Court of the United States Washington, D. C. 20543

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A formal investiture ceremony for Associate Justice Sonia Sotomayor will take place at a special sitting of the Supreme Court in the Courtroom on Tuesday, September 8, at 2 p.m. On August 8, Sonia Sotomayor was sworn in as the 111th Justice in a private ceremony at the Supreme Court so that she could begin to participate in the work of the Court immediately.

Press seating for the Court ceremony will be by reservation. Requests for seating must be received by the Public Information Office no later than 3 p.m., Friday, September 4.

Chief Justice John G. Roberts, Jr., Justice Sotomayor, and Justice Sotomayor's family will be available for photographers at approximately 2:15 p.m., Tuesday, September 8, on the front plaza of the Supreme Court building, immediately following the investiture ceremony.

Chief Justice Roberts and Justice Sotomayor will walk down the front steps of the building and stand briefly at the base of the steps on the plaza. They will not be available for questions. Members of Justice Sotomayor's family will then join the Justice briefly for photographs. Again, there will be no opportunity for questions. Credentials issued by the Public Information Office are required for access to the plaza. Cameras may be positioned on the plaza any time after 1 p.m. in the designated roped-off area. All crews should be in place by 1:45 p.m.

To obtain credentials for the outside photo opportunity, please call the Public Information Office at the Supreme Court, 202-479-3211, by no later than 3 p.m., Friday, September 4.