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2 INVESTITURE OF CALVIN L. SCOTT, JR.

3 COURTROOM 8B

4 2:00 p.m.

5 WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2003

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7 PRESIDENT JUDGE RIDGELY: Welcome to this  
8 special session of the Superior Court commemorating  
9 the investiture of Calvin L. Scott, Jr. as a judge of  
10 the Superior Court of Delaware.

11 Please remain standing for the invocation by  
12 Father John Hynes of Saint Catherine of Siena Church.

13 Father Hynes.

14 MR. HYNES: These words of the One Hundred  
15 and First Psalm:

16 I sing of love and justice;  
17 to you, O Lord, I sing praise.

18 I follow the way of integrity -  
19 when will you come to me?

20 I act with integrity of heart within my  
21 court.

22 I will not allow into my presence  
23 anyone who speaks perversely.

Whoever acts shamefully I hate;  
no such person can be my friend.

I shun the devious of heart.  
The wicked I do not tolerate.

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Whoever slanders another in secret, I  
reduce to silence.  
Haughty eyes and arrogant hearts I  
cannot endure.

I look to the faithful of the land,  
they alone can be my companions, those  
who follow the way of integrity, they  
alone can enter my service.

No one who practices deceit can hold a  
post in my court. No one who speaks  
falsely can be among my advisors.

Each morning I clear the wicked from  
the land and rid the Lord's city of all  
evil doers.

O God, look with kindness upon Calvin, your  
servant and your son.

Grant that the knowledge of the experience  
he has may give him a further wisdom and in sitting  
in the exalted place that he does as a judge he may  
learn still more.

So O Lord, grant unto him your wisdom to see  
what you see which human eyes cannot see. Knowledge  
that he may know the laws and the precedents of the  
post he holds well. Understanding that he may only  
seek to sympathize, to understand that every person  
has a reason why they do what they do. Counsel that  
he may be able to see what is unique in every human

1 situation and apply the law with both compassion and  
2 exalted sense of justice. Fortitude, courage, that  
3 courage which arises not from physical strength or  
4 even mental strength, but from a constant hope and  
5 confidence in you. Grant him also, Lord, the  
6 reverence for the sacredness of every human person.

7 Finally, above all, Lord, grant him a fear  
8 of you, not of your punishment, but fear of ever  
9 separating himself from you through his acts of  
10 judgements. We ask all this from you, the creator  
11 and judge of all humanity, who watch over us with  
12 love and with wisdom all the days of our life.

13 Amen.

14 PRESIDENT JUDGE RIDGELY: Thank you, Father  
15 Hynes.

16 Please be seated.

17 Let me begin by introducing those who are  
18 seated with me on the bench today. To my right is  
19 Chief Justice E. Norman Veasey of the Supreme Court  
20 of Delaware.

21 To my left, Resident Judge Richard R. Cooch  
22 of the Superior Court of Delaware.

23 To the left of Resident Judge Cooch is where

1 Superior Court Judge Calvin Scott, Jr. will be seated  
2 soon.

3 In the jury box are the Superior Court  
4 judges with their robes and sashes on for this  
5 ceremonial occasion.

6 Many of Judge Scott's family and friends are  
7 unable to be with us because of the record snow fall  
8 in Washington D.C. But the Court wishes to recognize  
9 the family members of Judge Scott who are present  
10 today and, in particular, Calvin's wife, Donnita, and  
11 two children, Angela, who is 11 and Calvin, III who  
12 is seven. His brother, John Scott, his wife Tracy  
13 and their two sons, Cortland and Quinn and Donnita's  
14 mother, Ethel Anderson.

15 The Court also wishes to recognize the  
16 members of the Delaware judiciary and the bar and New  
17 Castle County public officers and Calvin Scott's many  
18 friends, including those who will speak today, the  
19 Attorney General, and others. I will be introducing  
20 the speakers to you shortly.

21 To each of you, a very warm and special  
22 welcome. We are here today to commemorate the  
23 beginning of Calvin Scott's career as a member of the

1 Superior Court, our state's general jurisdiction  
2 trial court.

3 This is the very first swearing in of a new  
4 judge in the new New Castle County Courthouse. This  
5 proceeding, like ones who have preceded it, is one of  
6 investiture, where the historical robing is of  
7 special ceremony, significance and public commitment  
8 under oath. The robe itself is a symbol of  
9 impartiality and the judge's solemn duty to  
10 administer equal justice on behalf of the people we  
11 serve.

12 The robe and the red sash, worn by Superior  
13 Court judges today, symbolizes the heritage and  
14 continuity of the Superior Court as a law court in  
15 Delaware with a history of more than 330 years.

16 Our speakers today will tell you more about  
17 our friend Calvin Scott, a judge who brings  
18 impressive credentials and experience to the Superior  
19 Court. Many of us on the Court have known Calvin for  
20 a long time. He has already joined us at our monthly  
21 meeting where we have welcomed him warmly. Not even  
22 the blizzard of 2003 will deter us from getting him  
23 on board as promptly as possible. I'm confident, as

1 are my colleagues, that Judge Scott will serve the  
2 public with distinction as a Superior Court judge.

3 It is now my pleasure and honor to ask the  
4 Honorable E. Norman Veasey for his remarks and  
5 thereafter to administer the oath of office.

6 Chief Justice Veasey.

7 CHIEF JUSTICE VEASEY: Thank you, President  
8 Judge Ridgely.

9 Good afternoon everybody, distinguished  
10 public officials and Father Hynes and friends of the  
11 Scott family and members of the bar and members of  
12 the judiciary. It is a great honor for me, always,  
13 to be present when a new judge is being sworn in.  
14 And this new judge comes to the Superior Court with  
15 high credentials and a great name.

16 My grandmother's name was Scott, so I think  
17 that is pretty nifty.

18 But I have known Calvin Scott for a long  
19 time. He has always comported himself with the  
20 highest degree of professionalism and integrity and  
21 work ethic. He has always pitched in to help the  
22 courts on this committee, that committee, and done an  
23 extraordinarily effective job and he's been a

1 wonderful lawyer and will be an outstanding judge.

2 And I don't have all that long litany of  
3 advice for you, Judge Scott, the only thing that I  
4 remember is what my wife told me when I took the  
5 bench and that was: "Always take your job seriously,  
6 but don't take yourself too seriously."

7 I know you will do both.

8 So in a minute, I'm going to come down and  
9 Mrs. Scott is going to hold the Bible, I think, and I  
10 will swear you in.

11 But before that, I wanted to give the  
12 regrets of the Governor. Her counsel, Matt Denn, is  
13 here and he told me that the Governor was delayed or  
14 stuck because of the weather problems, so she sends  
15 this which I have been authorized to read for you  
16 from the Governor.

17 "Judge Scott, I am very sorry that the  
18 weather emergency we have had over the past few days  
19 has made it impossible for me to attend your swearing  
20 in ceremony.

21 "I am proud to have nominated you to serve  
22 on the Superior Court bench. I know that I join your  
23 family and friends who are with you today in saying

1 that I am confident that your service will be  
2 distinguished and capable. Everything in your long  
3 public service background and everything that I  
4 learned about you during the nominating process tells  
5 me that you will have nothing but success on the  
6 bench.

7 "Congratulations on this tremendous  
8 achievement and good luck in carrying out your new  
9 responsibilities.

10 "Ruth Ann Minner, Governor of Delaware."

11 Now, we will do the swearing in.

12 I will come down to the podium and if  
13 everyone will rise, please.

14 Dr. Donnita M. Scott will hold the Bible for  
15 the administration of the oath and thereafter the  
16 Honorable Richard R. Cooch will assist with the  
17 robing.

18 CHIEF JUSTICE VEASEY: Are you ready to take  
19 the oath of office?

20 Get all the help you can.

21 Please place your right hand on the Bible  
22 and repeat after me:

23 I, Calvin L. Scott, Jr.

1 JUDGE SCOTT: I, Calvin L. Scott, Jr.

2 CALVIN III: I, Calvin...

3 CHIEF JUSTICE VEASEY: Do proudly swear.

4 JUDGE SCOTT: Do proudly swear.

5 CHIEF JUSTICE VEASEY: To carry out the  
6 responsibilities.

7 JUDGE SCOTT: To carry out the  
8 responsibilities.

9 CHIEF JUSTICE VEASEY: Of the Office of  
10 Associate Judge of the Superior Court.

11 JUDGE SCOTT: Of the office of Associate  
12 Judge of the Superior Court.

13 CHIEF JUSTICE VEASEY: To the best of my  
14 ability.

15 JUDGE SCOTT: To the best of my ability.

16 CHIEF JUSTICE VEASEY: Freely acknowledging.

17 JUDGE SCOTT: Freely acknowledging.

18 CHIEF JUSTICE VEASEY: That the powers of  
19 this office.

20 JUDGE SCOTT: That the powers of this  
21 office.

22 CHIEF JUSTICE VEASEY: Flow from the people  
23 I am privileged to represent.

1           JUDGE SCOTT: Flow from the people I am  
2 privileged to represent.

3           CHIEF JUSTICE VEASEY: I further swear.

4           JUDGE SCOTT: I further swear.

5           CHIEF JUSTICE VEASEY: Always to place the  
6 public interests.

7           JUDGE SCOTT: Always to place the public  
8 interests.

9           CHIEF JUSTICE VEASEY: Above any special or  
10 personal interests.

11          JUDGE SCOTT: Above any special or personal  
12 interests.

13          CHIEF JUSTICE VEASEY: And to respect the  
14 right of future generations.

15          JUDGE SCOTT: And to respect the right of  
16 future generations.

17          CHIEF JUSTICE VEASEY: To share the rich,  
18 historic.

19          JUDGE SCOTT: To share the rich, historic.

20          CHIEF JUSTICE VEASEY: And natural heritage  
21 of Delaware.

22          JUDGE SCOTT: And natural heritage of  
23 Delaware.

1 CHIEF JUSTICE VEASEY: In doing so.

2 JUDGE SCOTT: In doing so.

3 CHIEF JUSTICE VEASEY: I will always uphold  
4 and defend.

5 JUDGE SCOTT: I will always uphold and  
6 defend.

7 CHIEF JUSTICE VEASEY: The Constitutions of  
8 my country and my state.

9 JUDGE SCOTT: The Constitutions of my  
10 country and my state.

11 CHIEF JUSTICE VEASEY: So help me God.

12 JUDGE SCOTT: So help me God.

13 CHIEF JUSTICE VEASEY: Congratulations,  
14 Judge Scott.

15 (Applause.)

16 CHIEF JUSTICE VEASEY: Judge Cooch will do  
17 the robing.

18 PRESIDENT JUDGE RIDGELY: Welcome to the  
19 Superior Court, Calvin.

20 (Applause.)

21 PRESIDENT JUDGE RIDGELY: Please be seated.

22 JUDGE COOCH: Very briefly, I want to  
23 extend the warmest welcome from the Superior Court in

1 New Castle County, all the judges, all of the  
2 employees, we look forward to helping you in every  
3 way possible of becoming a Superior Court judge in  
4 this county. Welcome aboard.

5 JUDGE SCOTT: Thank you.

6 PRESIDENT JUDGE RIDGELY: Thank you,  
7 Resident Judge Cooch.

8 It is now my privilege to introduce Patricia  
9 C. Hannigan, Esquire, President of the Delaware State  
10 Bar Association, to speak to all of us. Among her  
11 duties, I think, will be finding a new successor for  
12 their office of the presidency. But Ms. Hannigan,  
13 please come forward and address us.

14 MS. HANNIGAN: Thank you, President Judge  
15 Ridgely. I have to say, these are always such feel  
16 good events. And I always get kind of teared up and  
17 then I turned around and I looked and I realized all  
18 the name tags are wrong. So all of the photographs  
19 that show who is sitting here for this memorable  
20 event -- well, we'll just have to fix it. I don't  
21 know. We'll have to get some whiteout for the photos  
22 or something.

23 Mr. Chief Justice, members of the judiciary,

1 honored guests, members of the Scott family, friends  
2 and any mere mortals who have snuck in to join us,  
3 good afternoon. It is a great pleasure for me to  
4 have the opportunity to add my voice to the chorus  
5 welcoming Judge Scott to the bench.

6           Though, as was just suggested, in truth, I  
7 have to say that on behalf of the Bar Association I  
8 am really of two minds about this. We had all looked  
9 forward to the Scott Administration when he assumed  
10 the presidency of the Delaware State Bar Association  
11 next summer. Calvin has served the bar well for many  
12 years, in many capacities, including on the Executive  
13 Committee, as Assistant Treasurer, then Treasurer,  
14 Vice-President for New Castle County, then  
15 Vice-President at Large, and this July, as I said,  
16 was to have become our President Elect. And as I  
17 thought about all this today, and preparing for the  
18 ceremony this afternoon, I thought that I really  
19 should take the opportunity here publicly to ask  
20 Calvin whether it was the looming advance of your  
21 presidency that caused you to bail out and to jump to  
22 the bench.

23           JUDGE SCOTT: Absolutely.

1 MS. HANNIGAN: Well, my first thought upon  
2 hearing that Calvin was interested in moving to the  
3 bench was that he truly is the personification of  
4 what we call judicial temperament. Over the many  
5 years I have attended meetings with Calvin I don't  
6 believe I have ever once heard him raise his voice.  
7 I have never known him to grab the spotlight for  
8 himself, not that that's a problem with litigators.  
9 He is always, always courteous and respectful of all.  
10 These personal characteristics will, no doubt, serve  
11 him well in the rather rarified atmosphere and  
12 comparative isolation of judicial life.

13 I read a book by Judge Harold Medina, U.S.  
14 District Court Judge in New York and then judge on  
15 the Second Circuit Court of Appeals back in the  
16 1950's. He wrote: "After all is said and done we  
17 cannot deny the fact that a judge is almost of  
18 necessity surrounded by people who keep telling him  
19 what a wonderful fellow he is. And if he once begins  
20 to believe it, he is a lost soul."

21 I don't think we have anything to worry  
22 about with Judge Scott in that regard.

23 Moreover, Judge Scott brings an honest,

1 open, evenhandedness to his new position. He is  
2 always thoughtful in his analysis of the issues.  
3 Lawyers and litigants who appear before him will know  
4 they have been heard and that they have been treated  
5 fairly. He will be a wonderful addition to our  
6 bench.

7 And so, Calvin, we wish you well as you  
8 begin what we expect to be a long and distinguished  
9 judicial career. And as a parting thought, from my  
10 background I offer you this benediction, if you will,  
11 from Gilbert and Sullivan's Trial by Jury expressing  
12 our hopes for you.

13 "May each decree as statute rank and never  
14 be reversed on bank."

15 Good luck to you.

16 PRESIDENT JUDGE RIDGELY: I'm pleased to  
17 welcome back the Honorable Joshua Martin President  
18 and CEO of Verizon Delaware and former resident judge  
19 of this court.

20 Judge Martin.

21 MR. MARTIN: May it please the Court, Chief  
22 Justice Veasey, President Judge Ridgely, Resident  
23 Judge Cooch, Father Hynes, members of the bench and

1 bar, family of Judge Scott, ladies and gentlemen.

2           It is indeed an honor for me to be invited  
3 to address this Court on this occasion and to  
4 participate in the investiture of Calvin Scott. I  
5 was really moved when I got a call from his Honor  
6 earlier this month when he asked me to say a few  
7 words at his swearing in. I was particularly  
8 impressed when he shared with me that this would be  
9 the first investiture in this wonderful, modern  
10 courthouse, and I think this is something which  
11 clearly befits a jurist of the 21st century. I  
12 suspect that none of you realize how emotional I get  
13 at the swearing in of a new judge, particularly one  
14 who will join this distinguished Court. I allowed  
15 myself to reminisce, albeit briefly, to that warm  
16 July day in 1982 when I took an oath to uphold the  
17 law and joined my colleagues in this Court to aid in  
18 the administration of justice. I recall my own  
19 preparation, academic training, grounding of the law  
20 and involvement in my community and concerns about  
21 the appropriate impact of compassion. But one has to  
22 merely glance at Calvin Scott's resume and spend a  
23 few minutes talking him to know that he comes well

1 prepared for this task.

2           When he and I sat down to discuss the  
3 ceremony, I knew immediately that he was well  
4 equipped to serve the State and discharge the awesome  
5 responsibility of judging his fellow women and men.  
6 Once you move beyond the B.S. degree in industrial  
7 engineering and economics, the jurist doctorate from  
8 Widener Law School and LLM degree in corporate law  
9 and finance, once you move beyond almost 10 years in  
10 the Department of Justice as a deputy attorney  
11 general and group leader where he worked on health  
12 matters, insurance, education, labor, finance,  
13 taxation, bankruptcy, once you move beyond an earlier  
14 private practice where he honed his private practice  
15 skills, once you move beyond his work with bar  
16 related activities, such as the Pro se Litigation  
17 Assistance Committee also and Delaware Bar  
18 Foundation, Board of Professional Responsibility, the  
19 Professionalism and Ethics Rules Committee and an  
20 entity to close to my heart, the Delaware State Bar  
21 Association where he was moving towards the  
22 presidency, as you just heard.

23           Once you move beyond his community

1 activities, such as his neighborhood Homeowner's  
2 Association, the boards of the Independence School  
3 and Diamond Gymnastics, once you understand his  
4 commitment to family and specifically to his wife  
5 Donnita, that's Dr. Donnita Scott, and his kids  
6 Angela and Calvin III. Once you understand that  
7 anyone who loves golf, bridge and Cajun food has to  
8 be very special.

9           Once you reflect on his calm, compassionate,  
10 yet structured and focused manner, then and only  
11 then, are you in a position to appreciate what a  
12 wonderful human being Calvin Scott is. But his work  
13 here will not be easy. You probably have heard me  
14 say before that judging is very difficult work, not  
15 for the timid or the weak. The infirmities,  
16 frailties and missteps of human beings have to be  
17 adjudicated by people who understand the law, but  
18 also understand people. As important as it is to be  
19 erudite and intellectual, it is also important to  
20 simply care. Persons who come before the Court in  
21 civil and criminal matters deserve respect, patience,  
22 firmness and compassion. But our entire community  
23 requires jurists who will ensure that the

1 administration of justice is efficient, focused and  
2 designed to maintain an ordered society. Judging,  
3 although difficult, is much more than pomp and  
4 circumstance, more than the grandeur of courtrooms,  
5 majestic though they may be, more than the respect  
6 and acclaim that go with the appellation your Honor.  
7 Calvin Scott will handle this awesome responsibility  
8 with dispatch and intellect. He will come to  
9 understand that judging is the awesome daily  
10 responsibility of writing or maybe adjusting life's  
11 wrongs, restoring order where maybe, just maybe, none  
12 exists. Redirecting property to its rightful owner,  
13 or maybe just its right place. Affecting with one  
14 decision whole subpopulations of people. Preserving  
15 liberty where appropriate while maintaining peace and  
16 tranquility that everyone in this room cherishes so  
17 much. It will take the special characteristics and  
18 attributes that Calvin possesses to discharge this  
19 responsibility, because in many cases there will be  
20 no road map. My friend, you may indeed be writing on  
21 a blank slate in many instances, guided by no more  
22 than starry decisus and common sense and aided by the  
23 advocacy of the talented lawyers, such as those in

1     this room.

2             As a judge you will have to make the tough  
3     decisions, secure the knowledge, the justice must  
4     prevail. It could be both frightfully lonely and  
5     immensely gratifying. It is our own Chief Justice  
6     Veasey who said some 20 years ago when he spoke at an  
7     investiture as president of our bar association that  
8     Delaware is lucky because its bench and bar had the  
9     highest quality and integrity. It is an achievement  
10    for which many people have worked over the years and  
11    continue to work to be protected.

12            Governor Minner and past governors have  
13    placed quality and honesty above politics and  
14    expediency in making their appointments to this and  
15    other appointments of the State. Our citizens have  
16    demanded it and we have come to expect it. I hope we  
17    never take it for granted. Today we have every  
18    reason to be encouraged that our bench is stronger  
19    for you, Judge Scott, having agreed to serve.

20            Your Honor, judges are human, never lose  
21    your sense of humanity. We wish you, Donnita,  
22    Angela, and Calvin III and rest of your family good  
23    health, good tenure and Godspeed.

1           CHIEF JUSTICE VEASEY: I just want to say  
2 one thing about what Judge Martin just said. The  
3 investiture at which I spoke those words was his  
4 investiture as a judge of the Superior Court when I  
5 was president of the Delaware State Bar Association.  
6 That was the only investiture during my tenure and I  
7 was deeply honored to have that investiture be yours.

8           MR. MARTIN: Thank you, Chief Justice.

9           PRESIDENT JUDGE RIDGELY: Thank you, very  
10 much, Judge Martin.

11           It is now my privilege to call upon our new  
12 Superior Court judge for his greetings.

13           Judge Scott.

14           JUDGE SCOTT: Chief Justice Veasey,  
15 President Judge Ridgely, Resident Judge Cooch, other  
16 members of the court, state officials, my family and  
17 friends. Unfortunately, many of my friends and  
18 members of my family were unable to attend today's  
19 ceremony due to the recent record snows this weekend  
20 along the East Coast. But the world's most famous  
21 weather forecaster may have given us a hint on what  
22 kind of weather to expect this week. My wife's  
23 birthday is February 2nd, which is also known as

1 Groundhog Day.

2           Among the cards and notes from friends and  
3 relatives was one from Punxatauny Phil himself, the  
4 card read: "It will be a cold day in February before  
5 you become a judge."

6           My father-in-law attended an athletic  
7 banquet many years ago where the masters of  
8 ceremonies gave a general thank you before the awards  
9 were presented. On behalf of every athlete he  
10 thanked their parents and coaches; needless to say,  
11 that left most of these high school athletes  
12 speechless. To avoid appearing speechless today, and  
13 applying that introduction, I'm going to extend  
14 parents, parents are now translated into a much  
15 larger family, including my wife, two wonderful  
16 children, in-laws and the rest of my extended family.  
17 Coaches now include fellow members of the bar,  
18 professors, supervisors, clients, friends and others  
19 I work with on a day-to-day basis. All of you are  
20 included on the list of those who have had meaningful  
21 impact on my life.

22           My children certainly have kept me well  
23 grounded throughout this entire process. In our

1 first discussions on what a judge does my daughter, a  
2 loyal follower of Law and Order, a judge is the one  
3 that looks at the verdict after he receives it from  
4 the bailiff. Not bad for TV.

5 My son said, isn't the judge the one who  
6 holds up the scores at my daughter's gymnastics  
7 meets? We have some work to do here.

8 I would like to give special thanks and  
9 recognition to those members of the Department of  
10 Justice who I worked with for almost 10 years.  
11 They're hard working, dedicated members of the civil  
12 division whose work is largely unappreciated and  
13 unrecognized by the public and fellow attorneys.  
14 These are men and women, like myself, who value  
15 justice, integrity, responsiveness and their  
16 families.

17 I would also like to thank those I have  
18 worked with on various committees that work toward  
19 improvement in the legal profession and improvement  
20 and public access for lawyers. I am especially proud  
21 of the accomplishment of the Pro Se Litigation  
22 Assistance Committee whose hard work has allowed to  
23 aid access to justice for those who cannot afford

1 attorneys by opening the Self-Help Center on the  
2 second floor of this courthouse. If you haven't  
3 visited it, please visit it. I also urge everyone  
4 here to support the continued struggle to provide to  
5 the poor access to justice and their day in court.  
6 From my days at DuPont whenever I join a new  
7 organization one of the first things I focus on is  
8 the vision, mission and values of the new group. I  
9 would like to briefly share the values of the  
10 Superior Court with you. Superior Court's core  
11 values are unity, neutrality, integrity, timeliness  
12 and quality and dedication. Here's why these values  
13 are important: Unity. We are one court with  
14 courthouses in three counties, through unity there is  
15 a strength we need to be the best trial court in the  
16 nation.

17           Neutrality. The Court exists to ensure  
18 impartial dispute resolution. We must reflect this  
19 neutrality in all that we do.

20           Integrity, faithfulness and honesty in the  
21 performance of our duties is essential to the  
22 public's trust and confidence.

23           Timeliness. Justice delayed is justice

1 denied. The public expects justice without  
2 unreasonable delay.

3 Equality. There is no justice without equal  
4 justice. Everyone's work is important here. Each of  
5 us and what we do is vital to the essential public  
6 service the Court provides. Dedication to our core  
7 values, mission and vision ensures our success.  
8 These values sum up my commitment to the Court and  
9 the fair and equal administration of the law.

10 When you think of the fair and equal  
11 administration of the law I think of the Lady of  
12 Justice and this passage by William Penn.

13 "Justice is justly represented blind because  
14 she sees no difference in the party's concern, she  
15 has but one scale and weight for the rich and poor,  
16 great and small. Her sentence is not guided by the  
17 person but the cause."

18 Thank you for attending, and I would like to  
19 invite you all to the Bar Association afterwards for  
20 a brief reception.

21 PRESIDENT JUDGE RIDGELY: Thank you, Calvin,  
22 and congratulations. All of us on the Court are  
23 looking very much forward to working with you.

1           If you will remain standing we will proceed  
2 with the -- conclude with the benediction.

3           Father Hynes.

4           FATHER HYNES: New Judge, Calvin Scott, and  
5 all of your friends, colleagues, I present a simple  
6 blessing. Please answer amen to each set.

7           May the Lord bless you and keep you.

8           THE AUDIENCE: Amen.

9           FATHER HYNES: May he let the light of his  
10 face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

11          THE AUDIENCE: Amen.

12          FATHER HYNES: May he guide you and infuse  
13 you with wisdom in all your decisions and bring you  
14 always to his peace.

15          THE AUDIENCE: Amen.

16          FATHER HYNES: Amen.

17          THE AUDIENCE: Amen.

18          PRESIDENT JUDGE RIDGELY: This concludes the  
19 special session of the Superior Court of Delaware.  
20 You are all welcome to greet our new judge at 301  
21 North Market Street here in Wilmington.

22                 Upon the adjournment of the Court I ask the  
23 judges in the jury box to lead first and that way

1 someone else can figure out how to open up the door.

2 Court is now adjourned.

3 (This special session of the Superior Court  
4 commemorating the investiture of Judge Calvin L.  
5 Scott, Jr. was then adjourned.)

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