[MS-0494, 02.05.003]

Sen Strom Thurmond of South Carolina Sr Republican on the Judiciary Committee.

I am a Black woman who struggled the hard way to give to my Country a Black Statesman. This I feel I was successful in doing. I need not give you a resume' of his life; this has been thoroughly investigated and approved by all agencies through the Judical Comm.

Judge Earl B. Gilliam is a living example for the yeouth and young men of this area, this beautiful expressed by persons of all races. He has worked hard and has come stept by stept to the highest that he has presently attained. This is why I urge you to please urge confirmation for Federal Judgeship.

Incidentally, His father, who is now deceased, My Husband for 44 years was a native of Dillon S.C. Named J. Earl Gilliam, son of John Gilliam, He was unable to attain a formal education but did instill into his only son (Earl B) the high morals, principals and qualifications of S.C. men.

I thourghly understand the

circumstances you are facing, this being an election year. Likewise I hope you will consider the effect, the failure of this confirmation has having on the efficiency of R. D. and his family.

Thanking you for every consideration,

Sincerely

(Mrs) Lula M. Gillam

(mother)