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PPO Non-Career Appointment Form

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TO: Mark Sullivan ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR, PPO DATE IN: _____

FROM: Mark R. Levin TELEPHONE 633-2707 DATE SENT: 11/18/85

CANDIDATE: Samuel A. Alito, Jr.

DEPARTMENT: Department of Justice

JOB TITLE: Deputy Assistant Attorney General GRADE: ES-I

SUPERVISOR: Charles J. Cooper FOIA (b)(6)

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RACE: white ETHNIC: _____ SEX: male DATE OF BIRTH: Apr. 1, 1950

SOCIAL SECURITY #: REDACTED RED REDACTED HOME STATE: New Jersey

PREVIOUS GOVERNMENT SERVICE: YES X NO _____

If yes, give departments, dates, career or non-career positions held:

Assistant to the Solicitor General, Dept. of Justice, 1981 to present;

Assistant U.S. Attorney, N.J., 1977-1981;

Law clerk to Judge Leonard I. Garth, U.S. Court of Appeals, Third Cir., 1976-1977

X NEW ___ AMENDMENT ___ RE-ESTABLISHMENT ___ AGENCY TRANSFER ___ UPGRADE

A completed Form 171, political and personal resumes, complete job description, and letters of support must be included for White House clearance to begin.

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1980 DOMICILE (STATE): New Jersey FOIA (b)(6)

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IF YOU DID NOT VOTE IN 1984, PLEASE EXPLAIN THE CIRCUMSTANCES.

PLEASE PROVIDE ANY INFORMATION THAT YOU REGARD AS PERTINENT TO YOUR PHILOSOPHICAL COMMITMENT TO THE POLICIES OF THIS ADMINISTRATION, OR WOULD SHOW THAT YOU ARE QUALIFIED TO EFFECTIVELY FILL A POSITION INVOLVED IN THE DEVELOPMENT, ADVOCACY AND VIGOROUS IMPLEMENTATION OF THOSE POLICIES.

Please see attached sheet

PLEASE INDICATE 1984 REAGAN/BUSH INVOLVEMENT OR ANY PREVIOUS REAGAN/BUSH CAMPAIGN INVOLVEMENT. INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

ROLE/POSITION:

SUPERVISION/CONTACT:

SUPERVISOR'S TELEPHONE NUMBER:

HAVE YOU EVER SERVED ON A POLITICAL COMMITTEE OR BEEN IDENTIFIED IN A PUBLIC WAY WITH A PARTICULAR POLITICAL ORGANIZATION, CANDIDATE OR ISSUE?
(PLEASE BE SPECIFIC AND INCLUDE CONTACTS WITH TELEPHONE NUMBERS.)

Please see attached sheet

APPLICANT SIGNATURE: Samuel A Alito Jr DATE: Nov. 15, 1985

ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR RECOMMENDATION: ✓ APPROVED

DISAPPROVED

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I am and always have been a conservative and an adherent to the same philosophical views that I believe are central to this Administration. It is obviously very difficult to summarize a set of political views in a sentence but, in capsule form, I believe very strongly in limited government, federalism, free enterprise, the supremacy of the elected branches of government, the need for a strong defense and effective law enforcement, and the legitimacy of a government role in protecting traditional values. In the field of law, I disagree strenuously with the usurpation by the judiciary of decisionmaking authority that should be exercised by the branches of government responsible to the electorate. The Administration has already made major strides toward reversing this trend through its judicial appointments, litigation, and public debate, and it is my hope that even greater advances can be achieved during the second term, especially with Attorney General Meese's leadership at the Department of Justice.

When I first became interested in government and politics during the 1960s, the greatest influences on my views were the writings of William F. Buckley, Jr., the National Review, and Barry Goldwater's 1964 campaign. In college, I developed a deep interest in constitutional law, motivated in large part by disagreement with Warren Court decisions, particularly in the areas of criminal procedure, the Establishment Clause, and reapportionment. I discovered the writings of Alexander Bickel advocating judicial restraint, and it was largely for this reason that I decided to go to Yale Law School.

After graduation from law school, completion of my ROTC military commitment, and a judicial clerkship, I joined the U.S. Attorney's office in New Jersey, principally because of my strong views regarding law enforcement.

Most recently, it has been an honor and source of personal satisfaction for me to serve in the office of the Solicitor General during President Reagan's administration and to help to advance legal positions in which I personally believe very strongly. I am particularly proud of my contributions in recent cases in which the government has argued in the Supreme Court that racial and ethnic quotas should not be allowed and that the Constitution does not protect a right to an abortion.

As a federal employee subject to the Hatch Act for nearly a decade, I have been unable to take a role in partisan politics. However, I am a life-long registered Republican and have made the sort of modest political contributions that a federal employee can afford to Republican candidates and conservative causes, including the National Republican Congressional Committee, the National Conservative Political Action Committee, Rep.

Christopher Smith (4th Dist. N.J.), Rep. James Courter (12th Dist. N.J.), Governor Thomas Kean of N.J., and Jeff Bell's 1982 Senate primary campaign in N.J. I am a member of the Federalist Society for Law and Public Policy and a regular participant at its luncheon meetings and a member of the Concerned Alumni of Princeton University, a conservative alumni group. During the past year, I have submitted articles for publication in the National Review and the American Spectator.