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February 1, 1972

Dear Mr. McLaren:

Your letter of January 9 has come to my attention, and as you have requested, I accept your resignation as Assistant Attorney General, effective February 2, 1972.

My reluctance at seeing you leave this important position is more than compensated by the knowledge that you will continue to serve our nation as United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois. Valuing as I have your distinguished contributions as director of the Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice, I am confident that you will bring to your new responsibilities the same measure of both excellence and dedication.

With best wishes for every success in the months and years ahead,

Sincerely,

RICHARD NIXON

Honorable Richard W. McLaren
Assistant Attorney General
Antitrust Division
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C. 20530

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Copy to Jerry Brown, Press Office 2/1/72 for their info.

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February 3, 1972

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for the files of the Department of
Justice.

Noble M. Melencamp

Transmitting a copy of the following:

Ltr, 1/19/72, to the President from Honorable Richard W. McLaren submitting his resignation as an Assistant Attorney General, effective 2/2/72; President's letter of acceptance 2/1/72, effective 2/2/72.

Ltr, 1/13/72, to the President from Honorable Richard K. Burke submitting his resignation as United States Attorney for the District of Arizona, effective at the close of business 1/19/72; President's letter of acceptance 2/2/72, effective cob 1/19/72.

(sent to the attention of Miss Dorothy McLean, Room 4216 Justice)

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

The original of this letter has been hand-carried to Chicago with a signed picture of the President for presentation to Judge McLaren at a dinner in his honor on February 1, 1972.



OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20530

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. NOBLE M. MELENCAMP
CHIEF EXECUTIVE CLERK
THE WHITE HOUSE

Attached is a suggested form of reply
for the President's convenience in acknowl-
edging the letter of Richard W. McLaren,
Assistant Attorney General, Antitrust Division,
United States Department of Justice, who is
resigning.

Sincerely,

Richard G. Kleindienst
Deputy Attorney General

SUGGESTED FORM OF REPLY

Dear Mr. McLaren:

Has come to my attention, and,
Your letter of January 19 ~~submitting~~
as you requested. I accept
your resignation as Assistant Attorney General
in charge of the Antitrust Division of the
United States Department of Justice, *effective February 2, 1972* ~~has come~~
~~to my attention.~~ 472

In accepting this resignation, effective
February 2, 1972, as you have requested, I
want you to know that it was a great pleasure
to appoint you as United States District Judge
for the Northern District of Illinois.

Valuing as I do your distinguished
service as Assistant Attorney General, I
am confident you will bring to your new
responsibilities the same high measure of
dedication and excellence. You have my
best wishes for continued success in the months
and years ahead.

Sincerely,

Richard W. McLaren

Born:	April 21, 1918	Chicago, Illinois
Education:	1939	Yale University A.B. degree
	1942	Yale Law School LL.B. degree
Bar:	1944	New York
	1950	Illinois
Employment:	1946 - 1949	Hodges, Reavis, Tantaleoni and Downey (now known as Reavis and McGrath) New York, New York Attorney
	1950 - 1969	Chadwell, Keck, Kayser, Reggles and McLaren Chicago, Illinois Partner
	1969 - Present	Assistant Attorney General Antitrust Division U.S. Department of Justice

Department of Justice
Washington, D.C. 20530

January 19, 1972

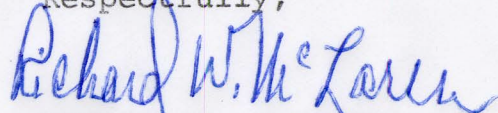
The President
The White House

Dear Mr. President:

I hereby tender my resignation as Assistant Attorney General, effective February 2, 1972, if that meets with your pleasure. It has been a most rewarding experience to serve in your Administration over the past three years, and I thank you most sincerely for affording me that privilege.

May I at the same time express my gratitude to you for nominating me to be a judge of the U. S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois. Conscious, as I am, of the great responsibility which rests upon our courts in these critical times, I pledge to you that I shall bend every effort to be worthy of the confidence you have reposed in me.

Respectfully,



RICHARD W. McLAREN
Assistant Attorney General
Antitrust Division