Honorable Thurgood Marshall
Circuit Court of Appeals
Washington, D. C.

Dear Judge Marshall:

Because of an unusually busy week and my attendance at the Democratic State Convention in Syracuse, I have delayed in writing to you to tell you how very happy I am that the Senate finally confirmed your appointment to the Circuit Court of Appeals. I am one of many millions of people in this country who believe your appointment was timely, wise and appropriate. The delay in your confirmation by the Senate was completely unjustified and inexcusable. The delay shows again the almost unlimited power that, under our Congressional system, is given to the Chairman of a Committee. In this case it was exerted for purely political and local interests.

My heartiest congratulations and warmest good wishes for a full measure of happiness and success in your new and important assignment.

I was delighted that the Convention nominated Judge Dudley as Attorney General. He was been a wonderful public servant and one in whom the State can feel justly proud.

Mrs. Lehman joins me in kindest regards to you and Mrs. Marshall.

Yours very sincerely,