

**Statement of Senator Patrick Leahy (D-Vt.),
Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee
Executive Business Meeting
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There are three judicial nominations and one executive nomination listed on today's agenda that were held over last week and are ready to be reported. With cooperation there is still time to confirm these uncontroversial nominees before we adjourn for the year.

I hope that at the very least, the Texas senators will work to get consent on their side of the aisle to confirm the three district court nominees to fill judicial emergency vacancies pending on the Executive Calendar. These Texas nominees were nominated more than five months ago and reported out on unanimous voice vote. There is no objection on my side of the aisle to confirming them today.

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