

Senate Judiciary Committee - Questions for the Record
July 25, 2017

Hearing entitled: "Nominations"

Questions for Mr. Stephen S. Schwartz, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims

1. Can you please describe the interview process that you went through with the White House and who was involved in any and all interviews?

Response: On April 3, 2017, officials from the White House Counsel's Office approached me about my interest in the Court of Federal Claims. I interviewed for the appointment on April 7, 2017, with officials from the White House Counsel's Office and the Department of Justice Office of Legal Policy.

I remember the names and affiliations of the individuals at my interview whom I knew previously—Mr. Daniel Epstein of the White House Counsel's Office and Mr. Jonathan Berry of the Office of Legal Policy—but not those of individuals I met there for the first time. I have reviewed my files and have been unable to find an accurate record of the others who were present. I was not interviewed on any other occasion.

Following that interview, officials from the White House Counsel's Office informed me that the White House intended to move forward with my nomination. Since April 3, 2017, I have been in contact with officials from the White House Counsel's Office and the Office of Legal Policy.