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Memorandum to the Conference:

I meant to mention today that I hope we can get No. 6 -- Baker v. Carr down March 19th. This is an election year. If the lower court is to have an opportunity to act, the case should be disposed of soon.

In other like situations the case has reached us so late that we have been powerless to act. I am sure there is no one here who wants to produce that result. But we should not drift into that situation.

William O. Douglas

The Chief Justice  
Mr. Justice Black  
Mr. Justice Frankfurter  
Mr. Justice Clark ✓  
Mr. Justice Harlan  
Mr. Justice Brennan  
Mr. Justice Whittaker  
Mr. Justice Stewart