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Dear Judge Justice,

Since the holiday season is close at hand, I wish to extend my wishes for a happy holiday to you and your family.

I am writing in regards to an Associated Press article printed in the Wisconsin State Journal this past week, which I have enclosed. I hope you don't take this letter to be an angry accusation, I seek only to understand. I have many questions about your recent ruling, would you please take a few moments to answer them?

Let me preface my inquiry with the fact that I am not a bigot. I believe deeply in equality, integration and desegregation. I attended an integrated school prior to the Supreme Court's ruling of the 1950's.

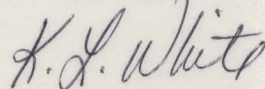
I have always believed that the basis of our laws and government rested on the liberty of the individual. That these liberties are applied to all-young, old, rich, poor, black, white, etc.. Why then did you order 50 families to move from one place of residence to another? Do people who live in public housing give up their individual liberties for a place to live? Can this effort at racial harmony be transferred to the private sector, (where people who have lived and worked to pay for and improve their residences.) Could a government order remove them from their homes and plop them into a possibly alien environment?

I am very confused, your order seems to me one that could be found in a totalitarian government not a democratic one. By setting this precedence, could not a corrupt official order people moved out of an area if they did not conform to his political views or religious principles?

I realize that your position as a federal judge is extremely important and you would not have been appointed if you lacked human compassion and sensitivity. Therefore, I am even more bewildered by your manner of ordering desegregation of public housing in Clarksville. Are our laws not made to serve, not to be served?

Please take a few minutes to answer my questions, I'm sure that I am not the only woman or citizen in the United States wondering about the reasoning that went into your decision.

Yours sincerely,



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