

1 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES
2 FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
3 DALLAS DIVISION

4 ROY WILLIAMS and) CA-3-88-1152-R
MARVIN CRENSHAW,)
5 Plaintiffs)
6 THE LEDBETTER NEIGHBORHOOD)
ASSOCIATION)
7 Plaintiff-Intervenors)
8 VS.) Dallas, Texas
9 THE CITY OF DALLAS)
Defendant.) September 11, 1989

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11 VOLUME V

12 TRANSCRIPT OF TRIAL

13 BEFORE THE HONORABLE JERRY BUCHMEYER.
14 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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- 1 Q. Did you vote for any of those?
- 2 A. I surely did. I nominated one.
- 3 Q. Who was that?
- 4 A. Demetris Sampson.
- 5 Q. And Ms. Sampson was not successful, was she?
- 6 A. She was not.
- 7 Q. What was the vote on Ms. Sampson's nomination?
- 8 A. She had five votes.
- 9 Q. And how many of those were at-large votes?
- 10 A. Two of them.
- 11 Q. Your's and the Mayor's?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. Ms. Miers, are you a member of any predominantly minority
- 14 organizations, such as the NAACP, Black Chamber of Commerce,
- 15 Urban League or any other predominantly minority organizations?
- 16 A. Women minorities?
- 17 Q. Well, maybe predominantly racial and ethnic minorities?
- 18 A. No.
- 19 Q. Actually I think we're not. In your capacity as an at-large
- 20 member do you think being involved in such organizations might
- 21 assist you in having a perspective that -- bring a perspective
- 22 to your job that you don't have?
- 23 A. I attend meetings designed to give me that input. However,
- 24 I have tried to avoid memberships in organizations that were
- 25 politically charged with one viewpoint or the other. For

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1 example, I wouldn't belong to the Federalist Society any more
2 than -- I just feel like it's better to not be involved in
3 organizations that seem to color your view one way or the other
4 for people who are examining you. I did join the Progressive
5 Voters League here in Dallas during the campaign as part of the
6 campaign.

7 Q. Are you active in the PVL now, do you intend to be?

8 A. No, I am not and I do not intend to be.

9 Q. Do you think the NAACP and the Black Chamber of Commerce are
10 in the category of organizations you were talking about?

11 A. No, I don't. The chairman of the Black Chamber of Commerce
12 was my treasurer in my campaign.

13 Q. And that is Mr. John Dodds?

14 A. John Dodds.

15 Q. Ms. Miers, are you aware of the issue of the City doing with
16 South Africa and the ordinance that came through the City
17 Council prior to your being on the City Council?

18 A. I'm sorry?

19 Q. Are you familiar with the South African investment issue as
20 it came before the City Council prior to your coming on the
21 Council?

22 A. Yes, I am.

23 Q. Do you support the ordinance that was passed?

24 A. Yes, I do. I have publicly long before now.

25 Q. What was your position on the Police Review Board issue that

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