

# Nixon Called a Backer Of Warren for Court

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—Former Supreme Court Chief Justice Earl Warren was appointed to the high court in 1953 because then Vice President Richard M. Nixon wanted to get Mr. Warren out of California politics, according to Associate Justice William O. Douglas.

In an article written by Richard Dudman, Washington bureau chief of The St. Louis Post-Dispatch, Justice Douglas was quoted today as saying that Mr. Nixon and the late Senator William F. Knowland of California had gone to President Eisenhower in 1953 urging him to appoint Mr. Warren. The vacancy was created by the death of Chief Justice Fred M. Vinson.

President Eisenhower, according to Justice Douglas, did not like Mr. Warren's liberal ideas but appointed him anyway. Justice Douglas said Mr. Eisenhower complained bitterly later when The Warren court made its landmark school-desegregation order.