

A Summary of Supreme Court Actions

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 WASHINGTON, May 27—
 The Supreme Court took the following actions today:

ALIENS

Agreed to review a decision invalidating a Puerto Rican statute that denies an engineering license to alien applicants (No. 74-1267, Examining Board of Engineers v. Flores de Otero.) Not participating: Douglas.

CIVIL SERVICE

Upheld the constitutionality of the Economic Stabilization Act of 1970, which expired in April, 1974, as barring states from increasing their employes salaries above levels authorized by the Pay Board (No. 73-822, Fry v. United States.) Voting to withdraw review: Douglas. Dissenting: Rehnquist.

Decided to hear reargued during the 1975-76 term appeals from two decisions upholding Federal wage and hour standards for state and city public employes, particularly policemen and firemen (No. 74-878, National League of Cities v. Dunlop, and No. 879, California v. Dunlop.)

CONSTITUTIONAL LAW

Upheld the right of a Congressional committee to subpoena bank records of an organization suspected of weakening armed forces morale, over objections that constitutional rights of freedom of expression and association were violated (No.

73-1923, Eastland v. United States Servicemen's Fund.) Concurring in the judgment: Marshall, Brennan and Stewart. Dissenting: Douglas.

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Agreed to review a decision barring the Suffolk County, L. I., Police Department from enforcing regulations limiting the length of policemen's hair on grounds that it is an unconstitutional interference with freedom of expression and guarantees of equal protection of the laws (No. 74-1269, Barry v. Dwen.)

CRIMINAL LAW

Agreed to review a decision that a defendant is entitled to a new trial when he has been convicted on two counts that are mutually exclusive (No. 74-1171), United States v. Gaddis.)

Ruled that a defendant found guilty in juvenile court 'unfit for juvenile treatment cannot then be prosecuted as an adult in the regular courts without violating the constitutional ban on double jeopardy (No. 73-1995, Breed v. Jones.)

DISBARMENT

Ordered John W. Dean 3d, former White House counsel, disbarred from practice before the Supreme Court. (No. D-42, in the matter of disbarment of John W. Dean 3d.) Not participating: Douglas and Rehnquist.

DISCRIMINATION

Agreed to review a decision that a 1973 Supreme Court ruling, requiring a trial judge to permit questioning of prospective jurors about racial prejudice, should be applied retroactively (No. 1216, Ristaino v. Ross.)

EDUCATION

Remanded to a lower court a decision upholding Chio's

aid program for private school auxiliary services, for reconsideration in the light of last week's Supreme Court ruling striking down such a plan in Pennsylvania (No. 74-399, Wolman v. Essex.) No participating: Douglas.

Declined to review a decision invalidating as unconstitutional a Minnesota statute providing tax credits for parents of private school pupils (No. 74-1166, Minnesota v. Minnesota Civil Liberties union.)

INFORMATION

Let stand a decision permitting the Central Intelligence Agency to refuse to allow a former agent to publish in a book material that the agency regarded as classified (No. 74-1164, Knope v. Colby.) Dissenting: Douglas.

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Declined to review a decision invalidating a Chicago ordinance that prohibited the distribution of literature at O'Hare International Airport (No. 74-1268, Chicago v. Chicago Area Military Project.) Dissenting: Douglas.

Agreed to review a decision requiring the California prison system to make available large numbers of parole and correctional records to inmates bringing a lawsuit to compel fair procedural treatment (No. 74-1023, Kerr v. U.S. District Court.)

WILLS

Let stand a decision upholding a bequest to Protestant Christian hospitals in a single county to help care for patients in them who are native-born and white (No. 74-1279, Sutt v. First National Bank of Kansas City.) Dissenting: Douglas.