

**Mrs. Fortas Denies Report
Husband Will Leave Court**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (UPI)—Mrs. Abe Fortas denied rumors Thursday that her husband was planning to leave the Supreme Court because the Senate refused to confirm his nomination as Chief Justice.

Mrs. Carolyn Agger Fortas, a tax attorney with the Fortas Washington law firm, was asked about an article in the current issue of the magazine Washingtonian that quoted her as having said that her husband had not wanted to be Chief Justice.

"He wasn't very anxious to have it," she said. "It's a lot of work."

President Johnson withdrew his nomination of Associate Justice Fortas early in the fall after the Senate refused to confirm it.

Asked about rumors that her husband would resign as an Associate Justice, Mrs. Fortas said, "It is not a matter under current consideration."