

Dear Mike,

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Rarely has the insanity of this country been so graphically illustrated. Please keep on being honest to yourself and don't let the pusillanimity of those "revered statesmen" inhibit your own courage. You are so very right about Viet Nam - it has overwhelmingly shaped the guidelines for all domestic as well as foreign policy decisions. The action of Justice Brennan in dismissing you could only happen during and because of that holy war.

So much for free speech at the Supreme Court. It is a national disgrace, rivaled only by the moral decisions emanating from the White House. I wish you well and remember that you have my continuing admiration and respect. If there are any letters of protest, shouts of defiance, or any action I am capable of taking to help please call on me. There are many of your friends and classmates in Berkeley willing to help and we would be honored if we could. I know that you are one of the few people with the maturity to take this in stride and become a stronger person because of it.

My best wishes,

Jim Perry