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Statement from Chief Justice John G. Roberts, Jr.:

I am authorized to announce that the Court has acted upon all cases submitted to the Court for decision this Term. Disposition of items considered at conference this morning will be reflected on an Order List that will be released tomorrow, July 2, at 9:30 a.m. The Court will then be in recess until the first Monday in October 2021, at which time the October 2020 Term of the Court will be adjourned, and the October 2021 Term of the Court will begin, as provided by law.

On behalf of all the Justices, I thank the employees of the Court for their outstanding work and dedication to their important responsibilities. The Court also thanks the members of the Court's bar for their professionalism and cooperation. The flexibility shown by the Court's staff and bar members have made it possible to discharge our public business in the current Term notwithstanding the coronavirus pandemic.

Before we rise for the summer, I would like to recognize the retirement this Term of six dedicated Court employees, who together have more than 200 years of service at the Supreme Court.

Sara Sonet retired from our Library with more than 46 years of service. Daniel Long retired as Publications Officer in our Reporter's Office after more than 41 years of Supreme Court service. Kim Oliver-Parker also retired from our Library with more than 27 years of Supreme Court service, and Steven Firnung retired from the Police with more than 25 years of Supreme Court service. Jeffrey Smith, our Chief of Police since 2016, retired last November after 25 years of service.

I also note that our Public Information Officer, Kathleen L. Arberg, has announced her retirement, effective July 3, after 38 years at the Supreme Court. Ms. Arberg has served in her current role since 1999 and is only the fifth person to hold the position since it was established in 1935. The public and the Court have benefited greatly from Ms. Arberg's tireless work to facilitate coverage of the Court by the media and to promote public understanding of what we do and how we do it.

Ms. Sonet, Mr. Long, Ms. Oliver-Parker, Officer Firnung, Chief Smith, and Ms. Arberg, the Court thanks each of you for your dedicated public service to Court and Country. We wish each of you well in your retirement.