

Replacing RBG:

In the wake of the death of Supreme Court Justice Ginsburg, President Trump says he will put forth his nominee by the end of this week. His vow to appoint a woman has many looking for who the potential nominee might be.

CNN reports, the most notable potential appointments are Amy Coney Barrett, Barbara Lagoa and Allison Jones Rushing. Barrett, who the President appointed to a seat on the 7<sup>th</sup> US Circuit Court of appeals. She is a former professor of law at her alma mater, Notre Dame. Lagoa was appointed by President Trump to the 11<sup>th</sup> US Circuit Court of Appeals in 2019. She is the first Hispanic woman and the first Cuban American to have served on the Florida Supreme Court. Rushing was appointed to the 4<sup>th</sup> US Circuit Court of Appeals since March of 2019. Most notable about Rushing is she is currently under 40 years old. If Rushing was nominated and approved, she would be one of the 4 youngest justices ever to serve the U.S. Supreme Court.

Now alt left fascists are threatening to burn down US government buildings as well as fight to the death to stop the Senate from ratifying an appointment. Many verified members of twitter are inciting violence saying things like “If they even TRY to replace RBG we burn the entire f\*\*\*\*\*g thing down” from Reza Aslan, and “Burn Congress down before letting Trump try to appoint anyone to SCOTUS” from Emmett Macfarlane, a professor at the University of Waterloo.

According to SCOTUS blog, there are no instances since 1900 of the president failing to nominate, or the senate failing to confirm a nominee in an election year. Justices have been confirmed in election years seven times in the 20<sup>th</sup> century. In 2016, Justice Ginsberg herself said “There’s nothing in the Constitution that says the president stops being the president in his last

year” and added that the senate should not avoid confirming an appointment because “That’s their job”

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