

# LEGALISMS FAIL TO PERSUADE

The spring edition of Law and Courts, a newsletter published by the American Political Science Association (APSA), contained an article on a judge often touted as a possible Supreme Court nominee. Of Judge Emilio Garza it was said that he "is single, is a devout Catholic and is said to regularly attend Mass during his lunch hour. Associates report that he maintains a 'priestly' bearing in the courtroom...."

When we challenged the editor of the newsletter on this, Professor C. Neal Tate of the University of North Texas, he fell back on legalisms. He contended that the author speaks only for himself and that neither he nor the APSA should be held accountable. Which makes us wonder why so few people these days have an aversion to the truth.