

## Inside the Court: Eyewitness Accounts

### *Justice Stephen Breyer*

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#### **I Clerked for Justice Breyer. There's One Thing I Hope Remains on the Court Long After He's Gone.**

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**Risa L. Goluboff** (2001) : "The justice described, as he often has, the gravity, professionalism, and collegiality with which the justices approach their collective deliberations. He emphasized the importance of simultaneously knowing one's own mind and being open to finding real common ground, both within and beyond the court. "It's always easy to expect the other person to agree with you," he said at the time. What is harder, and what is absolutely essential, is to ask yourself, "How much am I prepared to listen to other people and really mean it?" There are no shortcuts, and there is no pretending. At the end of the day, the justice admonished the students, "[T]he first place to look is the mirror."

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