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In considering Abe Fortas as a Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, you can list a number of qualifications.

He has been an able Government lawyer in a career that reaches back to the Roosevelt era. In private practice he has won renown as a skilled practitioner of the law and a forceful advocate. He has lectured in law at Yale, and has written articles for scholarly legal journals.

Outside of the courtroom he has

proved himself a negotiator of no mean attainments, an astute political adviser, a loyal Democrat and a trustworthy confidant in council. In his person, he is extremely intelligent and very personable.

But the qualification that counts most, and the only one that has caused him to be chosen from among so many for the highest judicial bench in the land, is the fact that he is a crony of Lyndon Johnson.

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