## Supreme Court nomination and confirmation statistics

## Since the Johnson administration:

- 3 nominees have been rejected by a full Senate vote
- 3 nominees have been withdrawn by the president
- · 4 times cloture has been invoked
  - 3 successful: Alito, Rehnquist and Gorsuch for associate justice positions
  - 1 unsuccessful: Rehnquist for chief justice (vote later allowed under unanimous consent and confirmed)
- 1 nominee never withdrawn or voted upon in the Senate (Garland

## 28 nominations since 1965







## Timeline for last 19 confirmed justices (average, excluding Gorsuch)

The president formally submits his nomination to the Senate

The Senate Judiciary Committee commences public hearings

The Senate Judiciary Committee votes

The Senate Judiciary Committee votes or deny (60 votes required to overcome filibuster)

Sources: Denis Rutkus and Maureen Beardon, "Supreme Court Nominations, 1789 to the Present: Actions by the Senate, the Judiciary Committee, and the President," Congressional Research Service, December 7, 2012.

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