

Arkansas's junior Republican U-S Senator says the Senate will hold a vote on President Trump's nominee for late Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg's replacement. Sen. Tom Cotton says Congress will consider Trump's nomination to replace Ginsburg, who died Friday, though a confirmation vote may take place after the November election. Speaking on Fox News Sunday, Cotton said the Senate has a "mandate" from the American people to consider a nominee, despite his original opposition to confirming President Obama's nominee Merrick Garland in 2016 more than 10 months before the election.

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Trump has said he would put forward a nominee to the high court as soon as this week, though on average it takes the Senate roughly 40 days to hold its first confirmation hearing, and 70 days to confirm a new Supreme Court Justice. Election Day is 43 days away. Though Cotton himself has been on the list of potential nominees, he said he supports Trump's intention to nominate a woman to the nation's highest court.

U-S Senator Tom Cotton is siding with fellow Republicans in Congress in calling for a vote on President Trump's nominee to the Supreme Court to be held "without delay." Trump said he would announce a nominee to the high court as soon as this week to replace late Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, who died on Friday. Though Cotton says he supports the confirmation of a new justice with roughly 40 days until Election Day, Arkansas's junior Senator originally opposed the notion of confirming a Supreme Court justice in an election year.

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"...of the Supreme Court."

That was Cotton speaking on the Senate floor in 2016 in opposition to President Obama's Supreme Court nominee Merrick Garland. Speaking on Fox News Sunday, Cotton said this case is different since President Trump has the chance to be re-elected, unlike former President Obama who was term-limited from running again in 2016.

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"...he might nominate."

Cotton himself has been floated as a potential Supreme Court nominee, though he said he would support President Trump's intention to nominate a woman to the High Court. Cotton faces re-election to the Senate in Arkansas this November though he does not face a Democratic opponent.