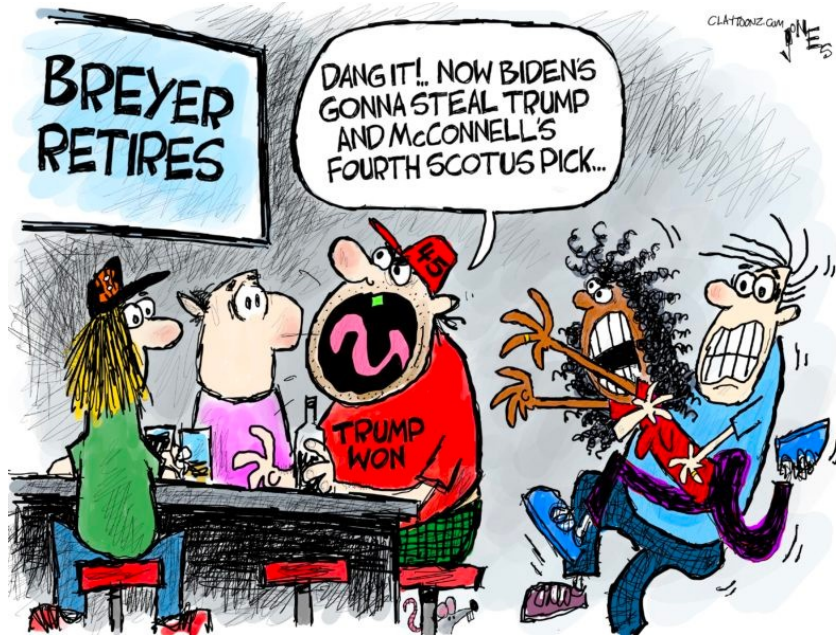


Supreme Court just about politics?



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1. What are these cartoons saying about U.S. Supreme Court Justice Stephen Breyer, 83, announcing last week that he was retiring after nearly 28 years?
2. Breyer has been known for trying to protect the court from partisanship. Is that possible?
3. The Senate voted 87 to 9 to confirm Breyer. Could that happen now? Why or why not?
4. What role has party politics played in court nominations the last two decades?
5. What is "the rule of law?" What happens if it is ignored?

Between the lines

"A judge's loyalty is to the rule of law, not the political party that helped to secure his or her appointment." - Justice Stephen Breyer

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