Fix the Court 201 W. Lake St., Ste. 153 Chicago, IL 60606 The New York Times reports John Roberts wrote, "Only Supreme Court justices and schoolchildren are expected to and do take the entire summer off," in a 1983 memo.

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Twenty-two years later, he became Chief Justice and has been taking entire summers off ever since...



## BUT NOW, IT'S

## BACK TO SCHOOL (OR COURT)

## FOR SCOTUS

## After a three-month break, the nine justices of the Supreme Court are heading back to court on the first Monday in October to hear cases again.

Since they were last seen in their robes, the justices have traveled to South Korea and Salzburg, San Diego and Sun Valley, to bask in the glow of being the most powerful, least accountable U.S. government officials.



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Fix the Court has prepared a **back-to-court supplies list** that will help the justices do their jobs in the coming term.



The justices should pool their resources and buy a **video camera** for use in their courtroom.



A **calendar** would help the justices who've been on the court for decades – that's Scalia (29 years), Kennedy (27½), Thomas (24), Ginsburg (22) and Breyer (21) – finally plan for their retirements.



Stock-owning justices could use a **calculator** to see whether upcoming cases may positively impact their brokerage accounts.



A **scanner** would help the justices upload their financial disclosure reports online, which, to this point, have only been released on paper each year.



Since demonstrations are prohibited on the 20,000-sq.-ft. plaza in front of the building, **a compass and protractor** could be used to help the court design a space for those looking to exercise their First Amendment rights.



Known for writing notes to one another instead of sending e-mails, the justices could use **pen and paper** to let the media know when they're hitting the road for speeches (like the President and members of Congress do, albeit via e-mail).



Since the justices monitor themselves for potential ethics violations and aren't required to follow a code of conduct, they could (metaphorically) use **rulers** to slap one another on the wrist.