

Nicholas deB. Katzenbach (1922-2012)

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I am very sad to report the death yesterday, at age 90, of former Attorney General of the United States Nicholas deBelleville Katzenbach. He was a great lawyer, American public servant, defender of civil rights and humanitarian hero. Links to some early obituaries that begin to tell of his life and accomplishments are [here](#) and [here](#).

I had the good fortune to meet Nick Katzenbach in 2004, at a Robert H. Jackson Center conference on the 50th anniversary of *Brown v. Board of Education*. For my introduction of him on that occasion, [click here](#). For excerpts from his ensuing speech, [click here](#).

The Jackson List today is down one very significant subscriber. What a fortunate world this is to have had him.



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