

SOTOMAYOR TIME LINE

NAME: Sonia Sotomayor

BIRTHDATE/BIRTHPLACE: June 25, 1954/
New York, N.Y.

FAMILY: Divorced; no children.

QUOTE: "I don't believe we should bend the Constitution under any circumstance. It says what it says. We should do honor to it."

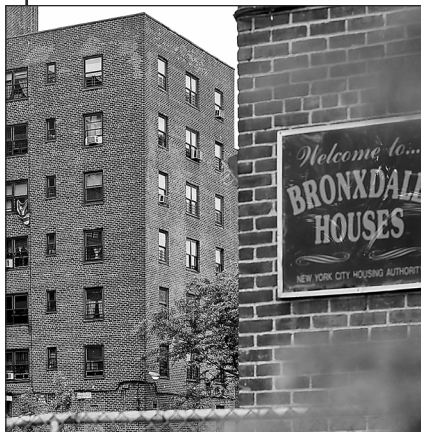
— *During a 1997 nomination hearing.*



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● **1954**

Born in a housing project in the Bronx



● **1962**

Begins taking insulin injections for juvenile diabetes

● **1963**

Father dies, leaving her to be raised by her mother, a nurse at a methadone clinic

● **1964**

Influenced by watching "Perry Mason," she decides to become a judge

1950s

1960s

● **1976**

Graduates summa cum laude from Princeton



● **1979**

Graduates from Yale Law School after serving as editor of the school's law journal, then becomes assistant district attorney in New York City

1970s

● **1984**

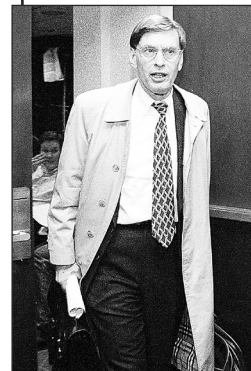
Enters private practice

● **1992**

Appointed by the first President Bush to U.S. District Court Southern District of New York

● **1995**

Rules in a key case that brings Major League Baseball back to the nation after a strike



MLB's then-acting commissioner, Bud Selig

1980s

1990s

● **1998**

Appointed by President Clinton to U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit in New York



● **2009**

Nominated for Supreme Court by President Obama



2000s