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Supreme Court Justice Autobiographies and Affirmative Action

The Supreme Court is poised to make a decision on affirmative action. As part of the “Thinking About the Book” Colloquium, the roundtable discussion considers the autobiographies of two current Supreme Court Justices: Sonia Sotomayor’s “My Beloved World and Clarence Thomas’ “My Grandfather’s Son: A Memoir.” In particular, we are interested in their views on and experiences with affirmative action. The discussion will relate to the expected decision in Fisher v. University of Texas as well as the broader effects that this decision may have on colleges and universities around the country.