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President Donald Trump arrives with Judge Amy Coney Barrett to introduce her as his Supreme Court Associate Justice nominee at the White House on Saturday.

Barrett could be Ginsburg's opposite on Supreme Court

By MARK SHERMAN
Associated Press

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Amy Coney Barrett paid homage to Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg in her White House speech Saturday as a shatterer of glass ceilings. She said she would be mindful of the woman whose place she would take on the Supreme Court.

She even commented that her children think their father is the better cook, much as Ginsburg used to talk about her husband's prowess in the kitchen.

But the replacement of the liberal icon Ginsburg, the second woman to serve on the high court, by Barrett, who would be the fifth, would represent the most dramatic ideological change on the Supreme Court in nearly 30 years and cement conservative dominance of the court for years to come.

Barrett, a judge on the federal appeals court based in Chicago, made clear in her Rose Garden address that she looks to Justice Antonin Scalia on matters of law.

"His judicial philosophy is mine, too. Judges must apply the law as written. Judges are not policy makers," Barrett said. She was referring to their common method of interpreting laws and the Constitution based on what they were understood to mean when they

were written.

Ginsburg, who died this month at age 87, and Scalia were dear friends, but they were on opposite sides of the most divisive issues of the day.

Barrett's conservative judicial record, her writings and speeches suggest that she too would be Ginsburg's polar opposite on a range of issues that include abortion and guns.

Barrett has cast votes suggesting she would uphold state abortion restrictions that Ginsburg found violated the Constitution. Barrett also favors a more expansive interpretation of gun rights.

Ginsburg believed deeply that the Constitution protects a woman's right to an abortion. She was a firm opponent of a broad reading of the constitutional right to "keep and bear arms."

The differences don't stop there. Barrett has been critical of Chief Justice John Roberts' opinion upholding the Affordable Care Act, which is again facing a constitutional challenge at the Supreme Court. Ginsburg was one of five votes that saved the law on two prior occasions.

If Barrett is confirmed before the Nov. 3 election, she would get a chance to weigh in on the latest lawsuit to overturn Obamacare, which is set for arguments a week later.

NY Times: Trump paid \$750 in U.S. income taxes in 2016, 2017

By JOSH BOAK
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President Donald Trump paid just \$750 in federal income taxes the year he ran for president and in his first year in the White House, according to a report in The New York Times.

Trump, who has fiercely guarded his tax filings and is the only president in modern times not to make them public, paid no federal income taxes in 10 of the past 15 years.

The details of the tax filings published Sunday complicate Trump's description of himself as a shrewd and patriotic businessman, revealing instead a series of financial losses and income from abroad that could come into conflict with his responsibilities as president. The president's

financial disclosures indicated he earned at least \$434.9 million in 2018, but the tax filings reported a \$47.4 million loss.

Roughly half of Americans pay no income taxes, primarily because of how low their incomes are. But IRS figures indicate that the average tax filer paid roughly \$12,200 in 2017, about 16 times more than what the president paid.

The Times said the claim comes from tax return data it obtained extending over two decades, comes at a pivotal moment ahead of the first presidential debate Tuesday.

Speaking at a news conference Sunday at the White House, Trump dismissed the report as "fake news" and maintained he has paid taxes, though he gave no specifics.

WALK

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his wife mistook him for an intruder and tried to attack him.

But some of the hallucinations left good memories, Woodfill said. Her mother sometimes saw imaginary children outside and would insist on fixing them a meal. Woodfill and her father would conspire to make her mother think the

kids had eaten the meal and thanked her.

There are advances being made in treatment, she said. Researchers are working in blood tests that would help with early detection. Other research has shown that changes in diet and exercise can help delay the onset of Alzheimer's symptoms.

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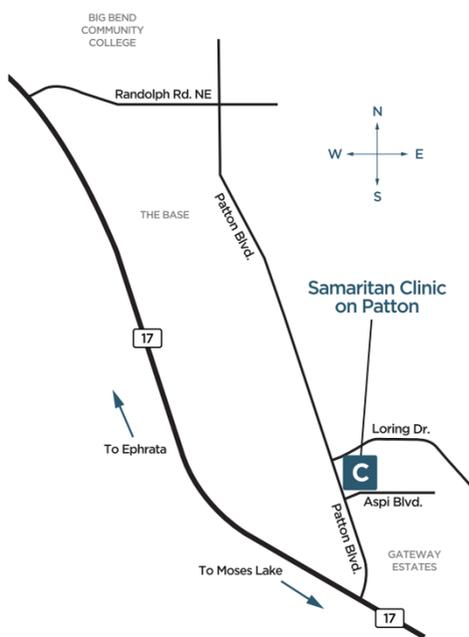
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