Biographies of Other Administration Officials with Cabinet Rank during the Gerald R. Ford Presidency, 1974-1977

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THE WHITE HOUSE

The President today announced his intention to nominate Anne Armstrong of Armstrong, Texas, to be Ambassador to the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. She will succeed Elliot Richardson who resigned to become Secretary of Commerce.

Mrs. Armstrong was born Anne Legendre on December 27, 1927, in New Orleans, Louisiana. She graduated from the Foxcroft School in Middleburg, Virginia, where she was student body president and senior class valedictorian, and in 1949 from Vassar College, where she was elected to Phi Beta Kappa.

Mrs. Armstrong was named Counsellor to the President in 1973, with Cabinet rank, and served in that capacity until December, 1974. She was the first woman to hold that position. As Counsellor to the President, she served as a member of the Domestic Council, the Council on Wage and Price Stability, the Commission on the Organization of Government for the Conduct of Foreign Policy, and as Chairman of the Federal Property Council. She also served as the President's liaison to women, young people, Hispanic Americans, and the American Revolution Bicentennial Administration. Under her direction, the first Office of Women's Programs in the White House was established.

Mrs. Armstrong was a member of the United States Delegations to the World Food Conference in Rome, Italy, in 1974, and to the Conference for International Women's Year in Mexico City in 1975. In 1975, Mrs. Armstrong was elected a director of several corporations, and she has been active in civic organizations. She serves as a member of the Commission on the Observance of International Women's Year and as a member of the Advisory Council of the American Revolution Bicentennial.

In 1966, Mrs. Armstrong became Vice Chairman of the Texas Republican Party, serving until 1968, when she became Republican National Committeewoman from Texas. She became Co-Chairman of the Republican National Committee in 1971 and was the first woman elected to that position. Mrs. Armstrong became the first woman to make a keynote address at a major political convention at the Republican National Convention in 1972 in Miami Beach.

Mrs. Armstrong is married to Tobin Armstrong and they have five children.

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Office of the White House Press Secretary (Key Biscayne, Florida)

THE WHITE HOUSE

The President announced on November 28, 1972, that he would appoint Roy L. Ash, of Los Angeles, California, as Director of the Office of Management and Budget, effective upon the confirmation of Caspar W. Weinberger as Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare.

Mr. Ash has been President of Litton Industries, Inc., of Beverly Hills, California, since 1961. He co-founded the company in 1953 and has been a member of Litton's Board of Directors since that date.

From April 1969 to May 1971, Mr. Ash served as Chairman of the President's Advisory Council on Executive Organization. During its two years the Council, informally known as the Ash Council, made recommendations on Executive Branch organization in a series of meetings with the President. The Council's recommendations led to the President's reorganization plans of 1970 and 1971. Among them was the plan which created the Office of Management and Budget out of the former Bureau of the Budget.

Mr. Ash was born October 20, 1918, in Los Angeles and is a lifelong resident of that city. Although he had no undergraduate work, Mr. Ash graduated first in his class when he received his MBA degree from the Harvard School of Business in 1947.

He was with the Bank of America from 1936 to 1942 and from 1947 to 1949. During World War II, he served with the Air Force and attained the rank of Captain. From 1949 to 1953, Mr. Ash was chief financial officer of the Hughes Aircraft Company.

In addition to his positions with Litton Industries, Mr. Ash is a director of the Bank America Corporation, the Bank of America, Global Marine, Inc., and Pacific Mutual Life Insurance Company. He is also a member of the executive and trust committees of the Bank of America.

Mr. Ash is co-chairman of the Japan-California Association, and immediate past president of the Los Angeles World Affairs Council. He is a trustee of the California Institute of Technology, the Committee for Economic Development and the Urban Institute. He also serves as a member of the executive committee of the U.S. -Japan Advisory Council.

Mr. Ash is married to the former Lila M. Hornbeck. They have five children, two of whom are married.



AUGUST 15, 1974

Office of the White House Press Secretary

THE WHITE HOUSE

The President today announced the appointment of Philip W. Buchen, of Grand Rapids, Michigan, as Counsel to the President.

Prior to his appointment, Mr. Buchen, 58, was a senior partner in the law firm of Law, Buchen, Weathers, Richardson and Dutcher, and served as Executive Director of the Domestic Council Committee on the Right of Privacy. He is a former law partner of the President. Mr. Buchen was a member of the United States Delegation to the INTELSAT Conference which negotiated the definitive arrangements for the International Telecommunications Satellite Organization between 1969 and 1972.

Since 1969 he has served on the Board of Directors of the COMSAT Corporation. He has resigned that position effective today. Mr. Buchen received a B.A. Degree from the University of Michigan in 1939 and a J.D. Degree from the University of Michigan Law School in 1941. He is a member of the Michigan State Bar.

Mr. Buchen is married to the former Beatrice Loomis. They have a son, Roderick, and a daughter, Mrs. Victoria Aler.

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DEAN BURCH Biographical Data

Dean Burch of Tucson, Arizona is Counsellor to the President with Cabinet rank. He was appointed February 15, 1974.

Mr. Burch served as Chairman of the Federal Communications Commission from 1969, until his appointment as Counsellor to the President. He was born on December 20, 1927 in Enid, Oklahoma. Mr. Burch served in the U.S. Army from 1946 to 1948. He received his law degree from the University of Arizona in 1953. Following graduation, Mr. Burch served as Assistant Attorney General of Arizona from 1952 to 1954. He served as Legislative Assistant to Senator Barry Goldwater from 1955 to 1959, when he joined the law firm of Dunseath, Stubbs, and Burch, as a partner. He left his law firm in September of 1969 when he was appointed by the President to the FCC. Mr. Burch was Chairman of the RNC in 1964-65.

Mr. Burch is married to the former Patricia Meeks. They have three children and reside in Washington, D.C.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

The President today announced his intention to nominate Frederick B. Dent, of Spartanburg, South Carolina, to be Special Representative for Trade Negestiations, with the rank of Ambassador. This is a new position reestablished by Public Law 93-618 of January 3, 1975. He will succeed William D. Eberle who resigned effective January 31, 1975.

Mr. Dent was President of Mayfair Mills in Arcadia, South Carolina from 1958 to 1972. During 1946 and 1947, he was with Joshua L. Baily & Company, Inc., in New York City. He joined Mayfair Mills in 1947.

He was a Director of Mayfair Mills, the General Electric Company and the South Carolina National Bank. Mr. Dent was Chairman of the Spartanburg County Planning and Development Commission from 1960 to 1972. He was a member of the Business Council and was a Trustee of both the South Carolina Textile Manufacturers Association and the American Textile Manufacturers Institute.

Mr. Dent was a member of the Commission on an All-Volunteer Armed Force (Gates Commission) from its inception in March 1969 until it reported to the President in February 1970.

He was born on August 17, 1922, in Cape May, New Jersey. He received his A.B. degree from Yale University in 1943 and served with the U.S. Navy from 1943 to 1946.

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Mr. Dent is married to the former Mildred C. Harrison. They have five children.

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AUGUST 9, 1974

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ROBERT T. HARTMANN Biographical Data

The President today announced the appointment of Robert T. Hartmann, Chief of his Vice Presidential Staff, as Counsellor to the President.

Mr. Hartmann, was Minority Sergeant at Arms of the House of Representatives in the 91st, 92nd and 93rd Congresses and Legislative Assistant to then Minority Leader, Gerald R. Ford, before Mr. Ford became Vice President on December 6, 1973. Mr. Hartmann was formerly the Chief of the Washington Bureau of the Los Angeles Times from 1954 to 1964.

Mr. Hartmann is a native of Rapid City, South Dakota. He spent most of his lifetime in California and received his B.A. from Stanford University in 1938. He served in the Pacific during World War II and is a retired Captain from the United States Naval Reserve.

He is married to the former Roberta Sankey. They reside in Westgate, Maryland, and have two children.

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Office of the White House Press Secretary (Vail, Colorado)

THE WHITE HOUSE

The President today announced his intention to nominate James T. Lynn of Cleveland, Ohio, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget. Secretary Lynn will continue to have Cabinet rank in his new position. He will succeed Roy L. Ash, who has resigned.

Secretary Lynn has served as Secretary of Housing and Urban Development since February 2, 1973. He was Under Secretary of Commerce from April 27, 1971, until he became Secretary of HUD, and from 1969 to 1971 he was General Counsel of the Department of Commerce.

Before joining the Department of Commerce, Secretary Lynn practiced corporation law, specializing in the fields of corporate acquisitions, dispositions and joint ventures both in the U.S. and abroad. He was with the firm of Jones, Day, Cockley and Reavis in Cleveland, Ohio, from 1951 to 1969, and was a partner in the firm from 1960 to 1969.

Secretary Lynn was born in Cleveland, Ohio, on April 27, 1927. In 1948 he received an A. B. degree, summa cum laude, from Adelbert College of Western Reserve University, where he was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. He received the LL. B. degree, magna cum laude, from Harvard Law School in 1951 and was an officer of the Harvard Law Review. During 1945-46 he served with the U. S. Navy. Secretary Lynn is a member of the American, Ohio and Cleveland Bar Associations. While in Cleveland, Secretary Lynn was a member of the Cleveland World Trade Association and the Greater Cleveland Growth Association and was active in mental retardation programs of the Cleveland Welfare Eederat ion.

He is married to the former Joan Miller of Cleveland. They have three children and reside in Bethesda, Maryland.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

The President today announced the appointment of John O. Marsh, Jr. as Counsellor to the President. Mr. Marsh has been Assistant to the Vice President for Defense Affairs since January 1974.

From 1973 to 1974, he was Assistant Secretary of Defense for Legislative Affairs. Mr. Marsh, 47, was elected to four successive terms in the U.S. House of Representatives as a Virginia Democrat. He served as a member of the Appropriations, Veterans Affairs, and Interior and Insular Affairs Committees. Mr. Marsh, a graduate of Washington and Lee Law School, has practiced law from 1952 until his election to Congress in 1962 and resumed the practice of law in Washington after retiring voluntarily from the House in 1970 to practice law.

Mr. Marsh was named "Outstanding Young Man in Virginia" by the Virginia Junior Chamber of Commerce in 1959. He also received the Distinguished Service Medal of the American Legion's Department of Virginia. A graduate of the Infantry Officer Candidate School, Mr. Marsh is presently a Lieutenant Colonel in the Virginia National Guard.

Mr. Marsh is married to the former Glenn Ann Patterson of Kenbridge, Virginia. They live in Arlington, Virginia.

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January 13, 1976

Office of the White House Press Secretary

THE WHITE HOUSE

The President today announced the appointment of Rogers C. B. Morton, of Easton, Maryland, as Counsellor to the President with Cabinet rank. He has been Secretary of Commerce since May 1, 1975.

Secretary Morton's duties will encompass several areas of responsibility in domestic and economic policy. He will retain his membership on the Economic Policy Board, the Energy Resources Council and the Domestic Council. He will also direct the liaison with the Republican National Committee and the President Ford Committee. In addition, the Secretary will be available to take on such specific assignments as the President may direct.

Born on September 19, 1914, in Louisville, Kentucky, Secretary Morton received his B.A. degree from Yale University in 1937. He served with the United States Army from 1943 to 1945, attaining the rank of Captain.

Secretary Morton was elected to the 88th Congress from Maryland's First District in 1962 and subsequently elected to the 89th through 92nd Congresses. He was Secretary of the Interior from January, 1971 until May, 1975. He also served as Chairman of the Republican National Committee.

While serving in the Congress, Secretary Morton was a member of the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs (1963-1968), the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries (1963-68), the Select Committee on Small Business (1967-68) and from 1969 until he became Secretary of the Interior, he was a member of the Committee on Ways and Means.

Secretary Morton is married to the former Anne Jones and they have two children.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

The President today announced his intention to nominate Daniel Patrick Moynihan, of West Davenport, New York, to be United States Representative to the United Nations with the rank of Ambassador and U. S. Representative in the Security Council of the United Nations. He will succeed John A. Scali who has held this position since February 2, 1973.

Ambassador Moynihan served as Ambassador to India from 1973 to 1975 and at the present time is a Professor and Member of the Faculty of Harvard University. In 1971, Ambassador Moynihan was U. S. Representative to the 26th Session of the United Nations General Assembly. Since 1969, he has been a member of the Board of Trustees of the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars in the Smithsonian Institution and has been its Vice Chairman since 1971. He was a member of the President's Science Advisory Committee.

From January, 1969, to November, 1969, he was Assistant to the President for Urban Affairs and he also was a member and Executive Secretary of the Council on Urban Affairs. He served as Counsellor to the President and as a Member of the President's Cabinet from November, 1969, to January, 1971, when he returned to Harvard. He was a Member of the Domestic Council from its creation in July, 1970, to January, 1971, and in January, 1971, to 1973, was Consultant to the President.

He served as Assistant Secretary of Labor from 1963 to 1965, after he was Special Assistant (1961-62) and Executive Assistant (1962-63) to the Secretary of Labor. Mr. Moynihan is a member of the American Philosophical Society, the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Ambassador Moynihan was born March 16, 1927, in Tulsa, Oklahoma. He was graduated cum laude from Tufts University in 1948 and received his M.A. in 1949 and Ph.D. in 1961 from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy. He was Director of Public Relations for the International Rescue Committee in 1954, Assistant Secretary and Acting Secretary to the Governor of New York from 1955 to 1958, and Director of the New York State Government Research Project at Syracuse University from 1959 to 1961.

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BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION ON DONALD RUMSFELD

Donald Rumsfeld was appointed Assistant to the President by President Ford on September 27, 1974. In this capacity, he serves as a member of the Cabinet, Director of the White House Office of Operations, and Coordinator of the White House Staff. Previously, he headed President Ford's transition team in August of 1974.

Mr. Rumsfeld was born on July 9, 1932 in Chicago, Illinois. He received a B.A. in Politics from Princeton University in 1954. He served in the U.S. Navy as a naval aviator from 1954-1957.

Mr. Rumsfeld became active in government in 1958 when he worked as Administrative Assistant to Congressman Dave Dennison of Chio. In 1959, he became a Staff Assistant to then Congressman Robert Griffin of Michigan. From 1960 to 1962, he was with the Chicago investment banking firm of A. G. Becker and Company.

In 1962, he was elected to the United States House of Representatives from the Thirteenth District of Illinois to serve in the Eighty-Eighth Congress. He was re-elected by large majorities in 1964, 1966, and 1968. In the Congress, he served on the Joint Economic Committee, the Committee on Science and Aeronautics, and the Government Operations Committee, and the Subcommittees on Military and Foreign Operations. He was also a co-founder of the Japanese-American Inter-Parliamentary Council.

In 1969, he resigned his seat in the House to join the Cabinet as an Assistant to the President and Director of the Office of Economic Opportunity. In December of 1970, he was named Counsellor to the President and in October 1971, he was appointed Director of the Cost of Living Council.

Mr. Rumsfeld was named United States Ambassador to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization in February 1973. He served as the United States' Permanent Representative to the North Atlantic Council and the Defense Planning Committee, and the Nuclear Planning Group. In this responsibility, he represented the United States on a wide range of military and diplomatic matters.

Mr. Rumsfeld has received honorary degrees in law from Park College (Mo.); Lake Forest College (III.), and Illinois College (III.). Additional awards include the Opport unities Industrial Center's Executive Government Award and the Distinguished Eagle Scout Award.

Mr. Rumsfeld was married to the former Joyce Pierson of Wilmette, Illinois in 1954. They have two daughters, Valerie (19) and Marcy (15), and a son, Nicholas (8).

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THE WHITE HOUSE

The President today announced his intention to nominate Kenneth Rush of Rye, New York, to be Ambassador to France. Mr. Rush will succeed John N. Irwin II.

Mr. Rush has served as Counsellor to the President for Economic Policy since May 25, 1974. He was the President's chief economic advisor and coordinator of domestic and international economic policy. In addition, he was a member of the Cabinet and the National Security Council.

Mr. Rush was Deputy Secretary of State from February 2, 1973 to May 25, 1974. He was Deputy Secretary of Defense from February 7, 1972 until he became Deputy Secretary of State. Prior to assuming his Defense Department position, Mr. Rush was Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Germany from July, 1969. As Ambassador he was the principal U.S. negotiator of the Quadripartite Agreement on Berlin. He was decorated by the German Government with the Grand Cross of the Order of Merit, and he is also the recipient of the Department of Defense Medal for Distinguished Public Service.

He was born on January 17, 1910, in Walla Walla, Washington. Mr. Rush received his A. B. degree from the University of Tennessee in 1930 and an LL. B. degree from Yale University in 1932. From 1932 to 1936 he was an associate with the law firm of Chadbourne, Stanchfield and Levy, and during 1936-37 he was an Assistant Professor at Duke University Law School.

Mr. Rush joined Union Carbide Corporation in 1937 and was with the firm until 1969 when he became U.S. Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Germany. While with Union Carbide, Mr. Rush served as Vice President from 1949 to 1961, as Executive Vice President from 1961 to 1966, and as President from 1966 to 1969. He also served as a Director (1958-69), as a member of the Executive Committee (1966-69) and as Chairman of the General Operating Committee (1965-69).

In addition to his affiliation with Union Carbide, Mr. Rush has also been a Director of Bankers Trust Company, American Sugar Company and Bankers Trust New York Corporation. Mr. Rush has also been active in civic affairs, has served the University of Tennessee as a member of the Development Council and was a member of the Executive Committee of the Yale Law School Association from 1952 to 1962.

Mr. Rush is married to the former Jane Gilbert Smith. They have four children.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

The President today announced his intention to nominate John A. Scali to be U.S. Representative to the United Nations and U.S. Representative in the U.N. Security Council, with the rank of Ambassador. He will succeed George Bush, who has held the position since February 16, 1971.

Mr. Scali has served as Special Consultant to the President in the field of foreign affairs since his appointment on April 7, 1971. In his capacity as Special Consultant to the President, he accompanied the President on his trips to the People's Republic of China and the Soviet Union earlier this year.

From 1961 until he joined the White House Staff, Mr. Scali was Chief Diplomatic Correspondent for ABC News. In 1965 the Overseas Press Club presented him a special award for journalistic integrity for his role as unofficial go-between in talks with Soviet diplomats during the 1962 Othan missile crisis. He is also the recipient of a number of other journalism awards.

Mr. Scali was born on April 27, 1918, in Canton, Ohio. He received his B.S. in journalism from Boston University in 1942, joined the Boston Herald as a reporter that year, and was with the Boston bureau of United Press during 1942-43. Mr. Scali was with the Associated Press from 1944 to 1961, serving as a war correspondent in Europe, as a diplomatic correspondent and in AP's Washington bureau.

FEBRUARY 25, 1976

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THE WHITE HOUSE

The President today announced his intention to nominate William W. Scranton of Dalton, Pennsylvania, to be United States Representative to the United Nations with the rank of Ambassador and U. S. Representative in the Security Council of the United Nations. He will succeed Daniel P. Moynihan who has resigned.

Mr. Scranton was born in Madison, Connecticut, on July 19, 1917. He attended Yale University and received his B. A. degree in 1939 and his LL.B. degree in 1946. He served as a Captain in the United States Air Force from 1941 to 1945.

In 1959, Mr. Scranton was appointed as Special Assistant to the Secretary of State. He served as Governor of Pennsylvania from 1963 to 1967, after serving in the U. S. House of Representatives in the 87th Congress from the 10th District of Pennsylvania. He was sent by then President Nixon on missions to the Middle East and Europe, before becoming the U. S. Ambassador to INTELSAT and Chairman of the United States Delegation.

Mr. Scranton served as Chairman on the President's Commission on Campus Unrest in 1970. During 1971 to 1972, he served on the President's Price Commission. He has been a member of the President's General Advisory Committee on Arms Limitation and Disarmament since 1969 and also served on the Board of Directors of the U. S. Railway Association.

Married to the former Mary Lowe Chamberlin, Mr. Scranton and his wife have five children.

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