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THE WHITE HOUSE

The President today announced the appointment of William N. Walker as Director of the Presidential Personnel Office. He has been a consultant in the White House since late September. In this new position, Mr. Walker will advise the President on selection of candidates for appointments to full-time executive level positions and to part-time boards and commissions.

Mr. Walker was General Counsel of the Federal Energy Office from January 8, 1974 through June 30, 1974, where he was responsible for the petroleum allocation and price control regulations. During the summer of 1974, he conducted a study of international petroleum pricing policies for FEO. Before joining FEO, he served from August, 1972 as General Counsel of the Cost of Living Council. In that position, he prepared the wage and price control regulations administered by the Cost of Living Council.

From May, 1971, to August, 1972, Mr. Walker was Deputy Director of the Office of Consumer Affairs. Prior to that he served from September, 1969, in various positions in the Office of Economic Opportunity.

Before coming to Washington, Mr. Walker was an attorney in private practice with a large law firm in Chicago. He was a resident of Evanston, Illinois.

Mr. Walker was born in Newton, Massachusetts, on April 3, 1938 and attended the Newton public schools. He graduated cum laude from Wesleyan University in 1960 and received his J. D. degree from the University of Virginia in 1963.

He is married to the former Janet Mason Smith. They have two children and reside in the District of Columbia.

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