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The President today announced his intention to nominate Robert A. Gerard, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury. His area of responsibility will be Capital Markets and Debt Management. He will succeed Charles A. Cooper who resigned effective November 15, 1975. Mr. Gerard has been Deputy Assistant Secretary for Financial Resources Policy Coordination at the Department of the Treasury since September, 1975.

Born on October 19, 1944, in New York, New York, Mr. Gerard received his B.A. degree from Harvard College in 1966. He received his J.D. from Columbia University magna cum laude in 1969. He was law clerk to Judge Carl McGowan of the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit during 1969-70.

In 1970, Mr. Gerard joined the firm of Wilmer, Cutler & Pickering as an Associate, specializing in banking and securities law. He joined the Department of Treasury in 1974 as Director of the Office of Capital Markets Policy.

Mr. Gerard is married to the former Elizabeth Coolidge Gallatin and they have two children.

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