

AMBASSADOR CLAYTON YEUTTER

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Clayton Yeutter holds a key position as Deputy Special Trade Representative in the Executive Office of the President. In this capacity he is responsible for helping to develop U.S. policy and strategy for the Multilateral Trade Negotiations which are now underway in Geneva. This involves an enormous amount of coordination within the Executive Branch, as well as a close working relationship with many members of Congress. He also represents the United States in trade related contacts with other nations and in a variety of bilateral trade disputes and negotiations.

A native of Eustis, Nebraska, Mr. Yeutter is a farmer, lawyer, economist, and administrator.

As a youth, he was active in Nebraska 4-H Club activities. He obtained his bachelor of science degree from the University of Nebraska in 1952 and was named outstanding animal husbandry graduate in the nation. In 1963 he graduated "cum laude" in law from the university, and in 1966 received his Ph.D. in agricultural economics. He ranked first in his class for every degree.

Throughout much of his career, Mr. Yeutter has operated a 2,500 acre crop farming, cattle-raising, and cattle-feeding unit in central Nebraska.

He served as a faculty member of the Department of Agricultural Economics, University of Nebraska in the early 1960's, then for 2 years was executive assistant to Nebraska Governor Norbert T. Tiemann.

In 1968, Mr. Yeutter became Director of the University of Nebraska's agricultural education mission to Colombia, South America. This program, involving participation by six Midwest land grant universities, was the largest of its kind abroad and was designed to upgrade agricultural teaching, research and extension in Colombia.

In October 1970, Mr. Yeutter became administrator of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Consumer and Marketing Service (C&MS). He left USDA in December of 1971 to become midwest regional director of the Committee for the Re-election of the President and also served as the committee's national director for agriculture. President Nixon appointed him as Assistant Secretary for Marketing and Consumer Services upon his return to USDA in January 1973. He later became Assistant Secretary for International Affairs and Commodity Programs, and was appointed by President Ford to his present position in June 1975.

Ambassador Yeutter is a Lt. Colonel in the Air Force Reserve, is married and has three sons and a daughter.

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The President today announced his intention to nominate Clayton Yeutter to be United States Trade Representative. He would succeed William E. Brock.

Since 1978, Mr. Yeutter has been President and Chief Executive Officer of the Chicago Mercantile Exchange. Previously, he was a senior partner in the law firm of Nelson, Harding, Yeutter & Leonard in Lincoln, Nebraska in 1977-1978.

Mr. Yeutter was Deputy Special Trade Representative in 1975-1977. Prior to that time, he served at the Department of Agriculture as Assistant Secretary for International Affairs and Commodity Programs (1974-1975); Assistant Secretary for Marketing & Consumer Services (1973-1974); and Administrator, Consumer & Marketing Service (1970-1971).

He was Director of the University of Nebraska Mission in Colombia in 1968-1970 and Executive Assistant to the Governor of Nebraska in 1966-1968. He was a faculty member in the Department of Agricultural Economics at the University of Nebraska in 1960-1966. From 1957 until 1975 he operated a 2,500 acre farming-ranching-cattle feeding enterprise in central Nebraska.

Mr. Yeutter serves as a Member of the Boards of Directors of ConAgra, Inc., the U.S. Meat Export Federation, the Japan America Society of Chicago, Inc., and the Chicago-Tokyo Bank. He is Member and immediate past Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Chicago Association of Commerce & Industry and a Member of the Board of Trustees of Winrock, Inc., in Morrilton, Arkansas.

He graduated from the University of Nebraska (B.S., 1952; J.D., 1963; Ph.D., 1966). He is married, has four children and resides in Hinsdale, Illinois. He was born December 10, 1930 in Eustis, Nebraska.

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