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WARREN CHRISTOPHER SWORN-IN AS DEPUTY SECRETARY OF STATE

Warren Christopher of Los Angeles, California was sworn in on February 26 as Deputy Secretary of State. Born in Scranton, North Dakota, on October 27, 1925, Mr. Christopher received an undergraduate degree magna cum laude from the University of Southern California in Los Angeles in February 1945. From July 1943 to September 1946 he served on active duty with the Naval Reserve. He attended Stanford University Law School from 1946 to 1949, where he was President of the Law Review and graduated with Order of Coif.

From October 1949 to September 1950, Mr. Christopher served as law clerk to Mr. Justice William O. Douglas of the United States Supreme Court. He then practiced law with the firm of O'Melveny & Meyers from October 1950 to June 1967. Mr. Christopher served as Deputy Attorney General of the United States from June 1967 until January 20, 1969, after which he rejoined O'Melveny & Meyers.

Mr. Christopher's professional activities have included service as President of the Los Angeles County Bar Association, 1974-75; Chairman of the Standing Committee on Federal Judiciary of the American Bar Association, 1975-76; member of the House of Delegates of the American Bar Association; Chairman of Standing Committee on Aeronautical Law of the American Bar Association, 1966-67; member of the Board of Governors of the State Bar of California, 1975-76; Special Counsel to former California Governor Edmund G. Brown, from January 1959 to April 1959; and President of the Stanford Law Review, 1948-49.

His civic activities included member of the Board of Trustees of Stanford University; member of the Board of Trustees of Occidental College in Los Angeles; member of the Board of Trustees of Harvard School, Los Angeles; director, Southern California Edison Company; director, Pacific Mutual Life Insurance Company; Vice Chairman of Governors's Commission on the Los Angeles Riots, 1965-66; Special Consultant to Undersecretary George W. Ball on Foreign Economic Problems, 1961-65; Special Representative of Secretary of State, Wool Textile Meeting, Tokyo, London and Rome, 1964-65; President, Coordinating Council for Higher Education in the State of California, 1963-65; and Chairman, U.S. Delegation, U.S.-Japan Cotton Textile Negotiations and Geneva Congress on Cotton Textiles, 1961.

Mr. Christopher is married to the former Marie Josephine Wyllis and they have four children -- Lynn, born May 30, 1952, Scott, born December 27, 1957, Thomas, born July 24, 1959, and Kristen, born March 26, 1963.

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