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The President today announced the appointment of Richard A. Cooley, of Santa Cruz, California, to be a Member of the Marine Mammal Commission, for a term expiring May 13, 1977. He succeeds John Ryther who resigned effective November 13, 1973.

Since 1970, Dr. Cooley has been Professor of Geography at the University of California at Santa Cruz. From 1966 to 1970, he was Associate Professor of Geography at the University of Washington. He was a Wage Adjustment Analyst for the Department of Labor in 1952, after having served with the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service in 1951.

He was born on June 15, 1925, in Raton, New Mexico, and received his B.A. degree from the University of New Mexico in 1951. He was awarded his M.A. degree from the University of Chicago in 1955 and his Ph.D. from the University of Michigan in 1962.

Dr. Cooley is married to the former Alice Sigismund and they have two children. They reside in Santa Cruz, California.

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