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Office of the White House Press Secretary

NOTICE TO THE PRESS

John R. Stiles of Grand Rapids, Michigan, is a long time friend of President Ford and was his campaign manager during Mr. Ford's first congressional race. Stiles also was a staff assistant during the early days of Mr. Ford's congressional career.

Stiles also served as a special assistant to Mr. Ford when he was a member of the Warren Commission, and later co-authored with Mr. Ford the book "Portrait of an Assassin".

Stiles has been in the lumberyard and house construction business in Grand Rapids, and most recently has had real estate and land investment interests.

He is not on the White House payroll, although he has served as a consultant to the President.

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