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The President today announced his intention to nominate John B. Rhineland, of McLean, Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Housing and Urban Development. He will succeed James Mitchell who resigned effective June 2, 1975.

Since October, 1973, Mr. Rhineland has been General Counsel of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. During 1972 to 1973, he was in the private practice of law in the firm of Leibman, Williams, Bennett, Baird & Minow which later became the firm of Sidley & Austin in 1973. From 1971 to 1972 he was Legal Adviser to the United States SALT Delegation, after having served since 1969 as Deputy Legal Adviser in the Department of State. He served as Chief Counsel and later Acting Deputy Director of the Office of Foreign Direct Investment in the Department of Commerce from February, 1968, to July, 1969. From November, 1966, to January, 1968, he was Special Civilian Assistant to the Secretary of the Navy.

Mr. Rhineland was born on June 18, 1933, in Boston, Massachusetts, and received his B. A. degree from Yale University in 1955. He attended the Institut d'Etudes Politiques in Paris, France during 1955 to 1956. He served in the United States Army from 1956 to 1958. In 1961 he received his LL. B. degree from the University of Virginia Law School. He served as a law clerk to Justice John Harlan in the Supreme Court during 1961 to 1962. From September, 1962, to October, 1966, he was with the firm of Davis, Polk & Wardell in New York City.

Mr. Rhineland is married to the former Jeanne Elizabeth Cattell of Newton, Massachusetts and they have four children.

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