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GEORGE MIRON APPOINTED ASSOCIATE SOLICITOR FOR RECLAMATION AND POWER

Secretary of the Interior Stewart L. Udall today announced the appointment of George Miron as the Department's Associate Solicitor for Reclamation and Power. Miron succeeds Harry J. Hogan, who is now Legislative Counsel.

The Associate Solicitor for Reclamation and Power is directly responsible to the Solicitor--chief legal officer of the Department--for legal work connected with the Bureau of Reclamation, and power activities of Bonneville Power Administration, and Alaska Power Administration.

Miron had been Special Assistant to the Solicitor since August 1965, handling a broad range of matters, from Idaho desert land problems to oil shale. For nearly six years prior to joining Interior, he was a trial attorney with the Department of Justice's Antitrust Division; during that period, from November 1961 until August 1965, he was Assistant Chief of that Division's General Litigation Section.

Born in 1931, in Houston, Texas, Miron holds a bachelor's degree from Rice University with honors, and a law degree from the University of Chicago, where he was associate editor of the law review. He is a member of the Order of the Coif and the Michigan and D. C. bars. He served for one year as law clerk to U. S. District Judge Theodore Levin, in Detroit, and practiced law with a private firm in the District of Columbia for two years before joining the Department of Justice in 1959.

As Special Assistant to the Interior Solicitor, Miron represented the Department in inter-agency work concerned with mineral resources of the ocean floor. He represented Interior at sessions of the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission at The Hague and Paris on proposals by the Soviet Union to develop new conventions governing mineral development on the ocean floor.

He has been active in Department programs to promote American Indian arts, and played a major role in creation of the nonprofit Center for Arts of Indian America. Miron is married to the former Nancy Novak of Windsor, Ontario. They and their three children reside in Arlington, Virginia.

In addition to handling legal work for Interior's reclamation and power-marketing agencies, the Associate Solicitor for Reclamation and Power also is responsible for legal aspects of comprehensive river basin planning and for representing Interior before the Federal Power Commission; and such special assignments as negotiation of international treaties affecting boundary and transboundary waters.

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