

NOMINATION OF EDWARD WEINBERG TO BE SOLICITOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 1968

U.S. SENATE,
COMMITTEE ON INTERIOR AND INSULAR AFFAIRS,
Washington, D.C.

The committee met, pursuant to call, at 11 a.m., in room 3110, New Senate Office Building, Senator Henry M. Jackson (chairman of the committee) presiding.

Present: Senators Henry M. Jackson (Washington), Alan Bible (Nevada), Frank E. Moss (Utah), Len B. Jordan (Idaho), and Clifford P. Hansen (Wyoming).

Also present: Jerry T. Verkler, staff director; Stewart French, chief counsel; and James H. Gamble, professional staff member.

The CHAIRMAN. The committee will come to order.

This is an open hearing on the nomination by the President of the United States of Mr. Edward Weinberg to be Solicitor of the Department of the Interior.

As we all know Mr. Weinberg is a career public servant and is certainly well and favorably known by every member of this committee. He has been particularly helpful, I may say, to this committee and to our legislative program in regard to the many different problems in the area of natural resources with which we deal.

Mr. Weinberg has served as an attorney with the Federal Government, beginning in 1943, I believe, with the Office of Price Administration (the old OPA). Since 1944, he has served in the Department of the Interior. At this point I will place in the record a biographical sketch of Mr. Weinberg.

(The biographical sketch referred to follows:)

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH OF EDWARD WEINBERG

Born: Whitewater, Wisconsin, September 5, 1918.

Education: Whitewater High School, class of 1935; Whitewater State Teachers College, 1935-1937; University of Wisconsin, 1937-1941; B.A. (with honors), University of Wisconsin, 1939, economics major; L.L.B., University of Wisconsin, 1941; Member of Board of Editors, University of Wisconsin Law Review, 1940-41.

1941-42: Private practice, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

1943: Office of Price Administration.

January 1944: Joined legal staff of Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior, serving first as attorney and later as Assistant Chief Counsel, Bureau of Reclamation. Upon consolidation of departmental legal services in Office of the Solicitor in 1954, became Assistant Solicitor, Branch of Power.

1961-1963: Associate Solicitor, Water and Power, Department of the Interior.

1963 to present: Deputy Solicitor, Department of the Interior.

Participated in negotiation of Columbia River Treaty with Canada, 1959-1960; participated in negotiation of protocol thereto and arrangements for sale in United States of Canada's power entitlement thereunder, 1961-1964.