

Received numerous commendations throughout career in Department of the Interior.

In July 1965 received the Distinguished Service Award of the Department of the Interior—the Department's highest award.

Admitted to practice in Wisconsin, District Court of the District of Columbia, and the Supreme Court of the United States.

Member of the Order of the Coif, honorary legal fraternity.

Member of Artus, honorary economics fraternity.

Member of the Federal Bar Association.

Member of the Masonic Order.

Married to former Anne Goldsmith of Genesee Depot, Wisconsin, June 10, 1943.

Children: Mark, age 22, graduate student, Urban Studies, American University, Washington, D.C.; B.A. (with honors) DePauw University, Greencastle, Indiana. Robert, age 18, underclassman, Beloit College, Beloit, Wisconsin.

The CHAIRMAN. The Chair would like to congratulate you, the President, and Secretary Udall on your nomination for this high office. I have also found you not only to be an able public servant but an outstanding lawyer and a man of high integrity.

Having said that, the Chair will be glad to have you outline briefly your professional background, your background in general, and then if any of the members would like to ask questions, they may do so.

STATEMENT OF EDWARD WEINBERG, NOMINEE FOR SOLICITOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Mr. WEINBERG. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I am deeply touched by the kind words that you have had to say on this occasion this morning.

I am deeply honored by the confidence which President Johnson has evidenced by nominating me as Solicitor of the Department of the Interior. I am equally gratified at the compliment rendered me by Secretary Udall in recommending my nomination to the President.

As a career employee with over 25 years of Federal service, I believe I can say also that the President's action is testimony to his continued support of the career service.

As for my background, I am a native of Wisconsin, and for almost 25 years have been a legal resident of the State of Maryland. For the past 18 years I have resided in Silver Spring, Md.

During my children's elementary school years, I was active in the PTA movement, serving in various offices, including the presidency of Broadacres School PTA, Silver Spring.

I have two sons—Mark, 22, who received his B.A. degree with honors in political science from De Pauw University, Greencastle, Ind., in June of 1967, and is now a graduate student in urban affairs at American University here in Washington; and Robert, 18, in his first year at Beloit College in Beloit, Wis.

My wife is an active member of the Montgomery County, Md., League of Women Voters. Her most recent position in the organization was first vice president.

I received my bachelor of arts degree with honors from the University of Wisconsin in 1939, majoring in economics. I graduated from the University of Wisconsin Law School in 1941. While in law school, I was a member of the board of editors of the Wisconsin Law Review. I am a member of Artus, a national honorary economics fraternity, and of the Order of the Coif, a national honorary legal fraternity.