

Commission names special counsel

Angus MacBeth, a partner in the Washington, D.C. law firm of Bergson, Borkland, Margolis & Adler, has been named special counsel of the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians.

MacBeth will assume his duties at the commission immediately. He served in the U.S. Department of Justice as a Deputy Assistant Attorney General from 1979 to 1981. Earlier he served as chief of the Pollution Control Section of the Land and Natural Resources Division of the Department of Justice from 1977 to 1979. From 1975 to 1977 MacBeth was Assistant United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, and from 1970 to 1975 he from Yale Law School in 1969.

The Commission on Wartime

Relocation and Internment of Civilians was established by the Congress last year to examine the facts and circumstances surrounding the relocation and detention in remote camps of approximately 120,000 Japanese American citizens, resident aliens and Aleut natives during World War II.

MacBeth said he intends to focus immediately on the compilation of references of reparation and restitution precedents in order to advise the commission on the critical issues of redress.

"The commission has been charged by the Congress with the difficult task of recommending appropriate redress for those who were unjustly relocated and incarcerated," MacBeth said.