## Willie Hensley to serve on Alascomboard of directors

ANCHORAGE—RCA Alaska Communications, Inc., announced today that William L. "Willie" Hensley has agreed to serve on Alascom's board of directors.

Alascom President Ben W. Agree said Willie Hensley's unique knowledge and experience in business and public-service make him an ideal addition to Alascom's board of directors

Currently the chairman of the Capital Site Selection Committee, Hensley is also president of NANA Environmental Systems, Inc. He serves as secretary of the board of directors of NANA Regional Corporation.

Hensley's other directorships include chairman of the board of the Visual Arts Center and chairman of the board of the United Bank Alaska, an Anchorage bank owned by five regional corporations.

Early in his career, Hensley wrote a widely acclaimed paper on the Native Claims Settlement, headed the formation of the Alaska Village Electric Cooperative and headed the land claims task force in 1968.

Elected to the State House of Representatives in 1966 and 1968, he chaired the Health, Education and Welfare Committee and became chairman of the State Democratic Party. He also served one term in the State Senate between 1971 and 1974.

Hensley helped draft the Development Cities Act and the Historical Preservation Act. He later was the president of the Alaska Federation of Natives, Inc.

Originally from Kotzebue, Hensley attended the University of Alaska and received a degree in political science from George Washington University in Washington, D.C. Hensley resides in Anchorage with his wife, Abbe, and daughter, Priscilla.



WILLIE HENSLEY