

Garrett appointed to national BIA post

Nancy Garrett has been appointed director of the Office of Administration in the Bureau of Indian Affairs, according to Ross Swimmer, Interior assistant secretary for Indian affairs.

Garrett, a member of the Senior Executive Service since 1978, currently serves as deputy comptroller in BIA's Office of Indian Education Programs.

In her new position, Garrett will be responsible for the personnel and training activities of more than 14,000 BIA employees, an annual finance and

budget program of almost \$1 billion and the bureau's property management of the agency's contracting and grants program.

Garrett joined the federal service in 1960 as a clerk-typist in the Foreign Service Institute in the State Department. In 1967, she was named budget officer for Dulles Airport and 18 months later was given the additional duties as budget officer for National Airport.

In 1976, she became the first female

executive in the U.S. Treasury's U.S. Customs Service when she was named deputy assistant commissioner.

She became a charter member of the Senior Executive Service in 1978 and was appointed associate director of the National Park Service. In 1982, she served as director of the Office Technical Assistance in Territorial and International Affairs before joining BIA in 1983.

Garrett lives in Arlington, Va., and maintains a farm in Culpeper, Va.