

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH  
ARTILLERY OCS HALL OF FAME

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3. OCS Class Number 13  
Date Graduated/Commissioned April 2, 1952  
Associate Administrator
4. Present Duty Assignment/Occupation Law Enforcement Assistance Admin.  
Department of Justice  
Address LEAA Washington, D.C. 20530
5. Brief resume of duty assignments:

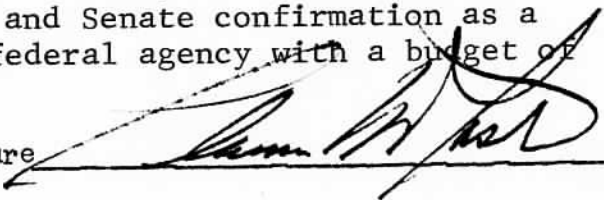
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6. Awards & Decorations:

Bronze Star, United Nations, Korea

7. General Remarks:

A career police officer - accomplishments led from San Francisco Police Department to California Narcotic Bureau, to Police Chief in Minneapolis, culminating in Presidential appointment and Senate confirmation as a head of a major and new federal agency with a budget of 3.75 Billion dollars.

Signature 

5. Resume of Duty Assignments:

"SEC.101.(a) There is hereby established within the Department of Justice, under the general authority of the Attorney General, a Law Enforcement Assistance Administration (hereafter referred to in this title as "Administration").

(b) The Administration shall be composed of an Administrator of Law Enforcement Assistance and two Associate Administrators of Law Enforcement Assistance, who shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. No more than two members of the Administration shall be the same political party, and members shall be appointed with due regard to their fitness, knowledge, and experience to perform the functions, powers, and duties vested in the Administration by this title.

(c) It shall be the duty of the Administration to exercise all of the functions, powers, and duties created and established by this title, except as otherwise provided."

"It is therefore the declared policy of the Congress to assist State and local governments in strengthening and improving law enforcement at every level by national assistance. It is the purpose of this title to (1) encourage States and units of general local government to prepare and adopt comprehensive plans based upon their evaluation of State and local problems of law enforcement; (2) authorize grants to States and units of local government in order to improve and strengthen law enforcement; and (3) encourage research and development directed toward the improvement of law enforcement and the development of new methods for the prevention and reduction of crime and the detection and apprehension of criminals."



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20530

OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATION

November 5, 1970

The Commanding Officer  
Officer Candidate Brigade  
Fort Sill, Okla. 73503

Dear Sir:

Re: Field Artillery Officer  
Hall of Fame

I am a graduate of OCS Class 13 in April of 1952. I returned to civilian career in September of 1953. In my civilian career of law enforcement I completed my education; left municipal employment with the San Francisco Police Department, having received a meritorious conduct award; took employment with narcotics enforcement in the State of California, rising from the rank of Agent through Field Supervisor of large metropolitan areas; became a member of the Governor's Emergency Law Enforcement Planning staff in California; subsequently was selected by a nationwide test to be Chief of Police in Bloomington, Minnesota; and on December 10, 1969 was nominated by the President of the United States, Richard Nixon, to be considered by the United States Senate for the position of Associate Administrator for the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration; on December 22, 1969, the Senate at large, acting on the recommendation of the Senate Judiciary Criminal Law Subcommittee, approved the President's nomination of me to the above position.

I am writing at the suggestion of my current senior officer, as I have remained active in the Army Reserve and the National Guard, and ask that you forward me further details with regard to this program.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Clarence M. Coster".

Clarence M. Coster