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Alan S Boyd, -82)  
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Alan S. Boyd was sworn in by President Johnson as the first Secretary of Transportation in ceremonies at the White House on January 16, 1967.

Before his appointment to head up the new Department of Transportation, Mr. Boyd served as Under Secretary of Commerce for Transportation.

He was Chairman of the Civil Aeronautics Board from 1961 until June of 1965.

First named to membership on the CAB on November 16, 1959, he was reappointed by President Kennedy to a full six-year term beginning January 1, 1963.

Mr. Boyd also is a former member of the Florida Railroad and Public Utilities Commission in Tallahassee. He was appointed to the Commission by the Governor of Florida in July 1955. In 1956 he ran for and was elected to a full term on the Commission and served as its Chairman in 1957-58.

Born in Jacksonville, Florida, July 20, 1922, Mr. Boyd completed his formal education at the University of Florida and the University of Virginia. After receiving his LL. B degree in 1948 he practiced law in Miami.

He was appointed by Governor Collins in 1954 as Chairman of a civilian committee for the development of aviation in Florida. He also served as General Counsel for the Florida State Turnpike Authority in 1955.

Mr. Boyd was a pilot in the Troop Carrier Command in World War II from 1942-45, as well as in the Korean Conflict.

He is a member of the American Bar Association.

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A public official with extensive and varied experience in transportation, Secretary Boyd was nominated to head the Nation's twelfth Cabinet-level Department on November 6, 1966. His nomination was confirmed by the Senate on January 12, 1967.

Before becoming the Nation's newest cabinet member, Boyd served as Under Secretary of Commerce for Transportation. He was appointed to that post by President Johnson in 1965. As the Under Secretary, his priority assignment was to persuade industry and the Congress that the country needed a Department of Transportation.

His background combines law, flying, politics, government, and regulation of several forms of transportation. In announcing Secretary Boyd's appointment, President Johnson said:

"Mr. Boyd has broader experience in the field of transportation than any other individual that I have been able to observe within or without the Federal Government."

Boyd was born July 20, 1922, in Jacksonville, Florida. He was raised in the town of Macclenny, population 2,500, in a cotton and tobacco farming area of northern Florida.

After attending schools in Macclenny and Jacksonville, he entered the University of Florida at Gainesville in 1939.

Boyd left the university before graduation to begin aviation cadet training in the Army Air Corps in 1942. Assigned to the Troop Carrier Command, he flew C-47's during World War II, both in the United States and during a 19-month tour in the European Theater of Operations. In 1945, he was released from active duty with the rank of Captain.

He returned home to complete his formal education under the GI Bill and received a law degree from the University of Virginia in 1948.

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Following graduation, he returned to Florida and entered general law practice. In 1951, he was called back into service by the Air Force and was in uniform during the Korean War for two years, flying C-46's and C-119's. When he was released, he had more than 3,000 hours flying time and held the rank of Major. He holds the Air Medal, with three oak leaf clusters, and two Presidential Unit citations.

He resumed his Florida law practice in 1953 and, in 1954, received his first appointment to public office. Governor Leroy Collins asked him to chair a committee established to develop aviation in the State.

The next year, he was appointed general counsel of the Florida Turnpike Authority.

Later in 1955, he was appointed to the Florida Railroad and Public Utilities Commission. In 1956 he was elected to a full term on the Commission.

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For relaxation, the Secretary cooks, camps and plays golf.

He and his wife, Flavil, live in an apartment overlooking the Potomac River in suburban Arlington, Virginia. A son, Mark, is a recent graduate of Washington and Lee University.

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