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JUDGE ALVIN V. OSER, right, is congratulated by JUDGE BERNARD J. BAGERT as MRS. OSER beams approval following swearing-in ceremonies.

Oser Sworn In As Orleans District Judge

Former Assistant District Attorney Alvin V. Oser formally was sworn in today as a criminal district court judge of Orleans Parish.

Judge Oser took his oath before an en banc session of the criminal court judges in the courtroom of Senior Judge Bernard J. Bagert.

In administering the oath Judge Bagert told Judge Oser that "the court needs you . . . for you will lend youth and vig-

or to the courts.

"You were conceived, born, reared and have spent your life in the criminal district courts of New Orleans."

Judge Bagert reminded the judge that he (Bagert) had received his oath of office as a criminal court judge from Judge Oser's father, the late Fred W. Oser.

"I realize the tremendous responsibility that goes with this office," Judge Oser, 34, responded. "I will do all that I can to maintain the high integrity demanded of all judges.

"I pray that I will have the patience, knowledge and responsibility that goes with the office," he said.

"And like Judge (Israel) Augustine, who was sworn in Monday, I ask that you remember me in your prayers to give me the necessary strength."

Judge Oser thanked District Attorney Jim Garrison for giving him a chance as an assistant district attorney "to develop my talents, and Gov. John J. McKeithen for appointing me to this judgeship."

Present for the occasion were many members of the city's judiciary. Standing near her husband when he took the oath of office was Mrs. Doris Oser, wife of the new judge, his brothers, Fred Oser and Hugh Oser, and a sister, Mrs. Michael Heller.

Acting as master of ceremonies for the swearing in ceremonies was Howard William Lenfant, president of the New Orleans Bar Association.

Thomas O. Collins Jr., executive counsel for the Louisiana State Bar Association, represented the 5,400 members of the association.

Gerard Schreiber, president of the Criminal Courts Bar Association, represented his group in the ceremonies.

Civil Court Judge Howard Taylor and his brother, Thomas J. Taylor, life-long friends of Judge Oser, robed the new judge and escorted him to the bench of the criminal court judiciary.