

Cox Is Named as Special Prosecutor
Democrat Served Under Kennedy as Solicitor General

by George Lardner Jr.

Former Solicitor General Archibald Cox, 61, agreed yesterday to serve as the Justice Department's special prosecutor in the Watergate scandals.

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A Democrat, Cox was named a member of the late John Kennedy's brain trust in the 1960 presidential ~~brain~~ ~~trust~~ campaign against then Vice President Nixon.

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Watergate Prosecutor Cox Is Independent, Confident

by John P. MacKenzie

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[Attorney General-designate Elliot L. Richardson's] talent scouts considered it a plus for the special prosecutor to be a Democrat, and in Cox they found a Massachusetts Democrat long associated with the political fortunes of the Kennedy family.

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He was offered the major post of Solicitor General after it was turned down by his Harvard colleague, Paul A. Freund, which only enhanced the gratitude of the Kennedy brothers, President and Attorney General.