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Ruckelshaus Is Sworn

As Richardson Deputy

WASHINGTON, Sept. 26 (AP) — William D. Ruckelshaus was sworn in today as Deputy Attorney General, quipping that it's "the first permanent job I've had for several months." This is his fourth post in the Nixon Administration.

Mr. Ruckelshaus, 40 years old, took the oath of office before some 200 Justice Department officials, former colleagues at other Government agencies and political associates from his home state of Indiana.

His wife, Jill, and their five children watched as Attorney General Elliot L. Richardson administered the oath to the deputy he described as "a man of size and strength not only in physical stature but in character and courage."

Mr. Ruckelshaus becomes the No. 2 man at the Justice Department after hovering for weeks on the verge of leaving Government after a series of top administration jobs.