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WASHINGTON AP - Former Atty. Gen. John N. Mitchell, who managed President Nixon's 1968 campaign, became director Thursday of the Committee for the Re-Election of the President.

Mitchell served as attorney general from Jan. 21, 1969 until he resigned to manage the President's 1972 re-election effort.

"I am proud to assist in the re-election effort of President Nixon, whom I am confident is one of the greatest presidents in American history," Mitchell said in a statement.

He added: "The people of this land need him. He needs to finish the task which he has started."

Mitchell's selection head the committee was announced by chairman Francis L. Dale, president and publisher of the Cincinnati Enquirer and president of the Cincinnati Reds baseball team.

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