

Notes on People James F. Clarity

President Nixon nominated **Ralph E. Erickson**, formerly a Los Angeles lawyer, to replace **Richard G. Kleindienst** as Deputy Attorney General.



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**Ralph E. Erickson**

Mr. Kleindienst became Attorney General, leaving the deputy's \$40,000-a-year post open. Mr. Erickson, born in Jamestown, N. Y., is 43 years old and has been serving as an assistant attorney general in the Office of Legal Council in the Justice Department.

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## **Kleindienst's Successor**

### **Is Named**

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The White House announced yesterday that President Nixon has named **Ralph E. Erickson** to become deputy attorney general to succeed **Richard Kleindienst**, who was sworn in June 12 as attorney general.

Erickson, 43, a member of the Justice Department since October 1971, has been since January 11 assistant attorney general in charge of the Office of Legal Counsel, a post often described as the lawyer for the President's chief lawyer.

Prior to joining the administration in 1971 in the Department of Housing and Urban Development, Erickson was associated with the Los Angeles law firm of Musich, Peeler and Garrett.

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