## She's Used to Pressure

## Mrs. Dean's Old Job

Washington

Maureen Dean, the attractive, placid-looking wife of former White House counsel John W. Dean, once worked under "hectic-type pressure" in an administration job, a former employer said yesterday.

Mrs. Dean, 27, has become a familiar figure to television viewers in the past week for her neatly styled blonde hair and bright smile. She appeared to remain clam and relaxed as she watched her husband undergo five days of grueling cross-examination by the Senate Watergate committee.

Asked for an interview, Mrs. Dean replied, "I'm not really able to answer questions." Her husband's attorney, Charles Shaffer, interrupted to say that Mrs. Dean was not giving press



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interviews at this time.

A personnel officer at the federal Bureau of Narcotics Control said Mrs. Dean held a combined administrative and clerical job between May and July 1972, when her name was Maureen Biner.

The personnel officer said Mrs. Dean was responsible for scheduling training classes, equipment and hotel rooms for newly recruited Narcotics agents.

Mrs. Dean worked under "hectic-type pressure" as she kept things running smothly for up to 50 to 60 recruits with two or three training schools sometimes in progress at the same time, he said.

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"She was a very efficient person," he recalled. "She was very nice, very gracious. She was characterized as very down to earth—not aloof in any way, not snobbish in any way."

Mrs. Dean previously was employed by the National Commission on Marijuana and Drug Abuse between 1970 and 1972.

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