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Saxbe Names Marshal Who Served Nixon

Attorney General William B. Saxbe yesterday overruled the head of the U.S. Marshals Service and decided to make public the name of the deputy marshal who served subpoenas on former President Nixon.

He is John Alan Wetmore, 37, a supervising deputy in the U.S. marshal's office in Los Angeles, man John Wilson said Thurs.

Justice Department spokesday that the subpoenas were served on Mr. Nixon Wednesday at his San Clemente estate. Wilson said then he could not identify the deputy because Marshals Service Director Wayne Colburn didn't want the name made public.

Today, Wilson told reporters that "the Attorney General wants to give you the name." Saxbe chose to do so after being informed of numerous requests from newsmen, Wilson said.